

The Filson Historical Society

**Weber, Gertrude, 1915-1995
Papers, 1927-1938**

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Size of Collection:
0.33 cu. ft.

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Scope and Content Note

The collection contains memorabilia related to the life of Gertrude Weber primarily during her time as a student at Fern Creek High School and is valuable as a look into the life of a young woman in the 1930s. Included are Weber's report cards, diploma, photo of the graduating class of 1933, and a scrapbook of her graduation. The scrapbook contains photographs, clippings, and messages handwritten by friends. A poster advertising a track meet and theatrical performance at Fern Creek, song lyrics, and a recital program are also included.

A Fern Creek High School graduation commencement program from 1935 lists graduating seniors including Dorothy Weber, Gertrude Weber's younger sister.

The collection also contains various material relating to Gertrude Weber's life following her high school graduation. These items include a job interview application from 1935 that explains she has been laid off after the Louisville & Union Joint Stock Land Bank was in forced liquidation, and a loan receipt from 1936. A church bulletin from the Zion Evangelical Church announces Weber's marriage to Sam Bigelow in 1938. Photographs of two unidentified soldiers are also included.

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Biographical Note

Gertrude Weber was born August 15, 1915 in Jefferson County, Louisville, Kentucky. She attended Fern Creek high school and graduated in 1933. In 1938 she married Sam Bigelow Jr. (1909-1987) with whom she had one child, Nancy Bigelow Humes. Following her husband's death in 1987, she later remarried to John T. Egli.

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Folder List

Box 1

- Folder 1: Promotion Certificate, Reports Cards, 1927-1933
- Folder 2: Fern Creek High School Graduation Photo, 1933
- Folder 3: Fern Creek High School Diploma, 1933
- Folder 4: Theatrical advertisements, song lyrics, circa 1930
- Folder 5: Fern Creek High School Commencement Program, 1935
- Folder 6: Job Application, 1935
- Folder 7: Loan receipt, 1936
- Folder 8: Church bulletin, 1938
- Folder 9: Birthday Card and Christmas telegram, circa 1930
- Folder 10: Photos unidentified soldiers, undated
- Folder 11: Loose photos and cards removed from graduation scrapbook, 1933
- Folder 12: Golden Gloves fight list removed from graduation scrapbook, circa 1930
- Volume 13: Graduation scrapbook, 1933

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Subject Headings

Depressions – 1929.
Education – Kentucky – Louisville.
Fern Creek High School (Louisville, Ky.)
Friendship in adolescence.
Golden Gloves Tournament.
High Schools – Kentucky – Louisville.
Jefferson County Public Schools.
Students – Kentucky – Louisville.
Women – Education – Kentucky.