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Guide to the Phyllis Pendell Collection, 1877-1966

Title

Phyllis Pendell Collection (MSS Pendell)

Dates

1877-1966 (inclusive)

1890-1944 (bulk)

Creator

Pendell, Phyllis

Summary

The Phyllis Pendell Collection consists of materials generated and collected by Oregon State College alumna Phyllis Pendell and her family. The materials document her public schooling in Portland (Oregon) in the 1930s and her experiences as a student at Oregon State College in the early 1940s. The Collection consists predominantly of photographs of Pendell's family, primarily her mother's family (the Vernons). Many of the photographs were made in Oroville and San Francisco, California and in Idaho.

Quantity

1.15 cubic feet, including 540 photographs (2 boxes)

Restrictions on Access

Collection is open for research.

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Biographical Note

Phyllis Pendell attended Oregon State College in the early 1940s and graduated in 1944 with a BS degree in Secretarial Science. Pendell was born in 1922 in Portland, Oregon, and graduated from Grant High School in 1940. She married Hunter Castleman Parker in 1945 and had triplet daughters. Pendell died in 1989.

Pendell's parents were Maud Vernon Pendell and Lawrence Roy Pendell. Pendell's maternal grandmother, Eva Vernon, moved west to California in 1865, married John Vernon, and moved to Lewiston, Idaho.

Content Description

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The Pendell Collection also includes certificates, commencement programs, correspondence, grade reports, newspaper clippings, and a land claim. The correspondence includes letters between Pendell and her parents during her years as a student at Oregon State College and other letters to and from her mother, Maud Vernon.

Preferred Citation

Phyllis Pendell Collection, Oregon State University Archives, Corvallis, Oregon.

Processing Note

This collection is not fully processed; this guide is preliminary.

Subjects

This collection is indexed under the following headings in the OSU Libraries Catalog. Researchers desiring materials about related topics, persons, or places should search the catalog (<http://oasis.oregonstate.edu>) using these headings.

Organizations

Oregon State College--Students.

Topics

College students--Oregon--Corvallis.

Forms of Materials in the Collection

Nitrate negatives.

Photographic prints.