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Warren-Wesson Family Papers

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Collection Information

Abstract : This collection contains correspondence to and from Warren and Wesson family members, and miscellaneous family papers (birth and death notices, school papers, etc.) from the Warren and Wesson families, 1896 – 1962.

Finding Aid : Finding Aid in print form is available at the Worcester Historical Museum, 30 Elm Street, Worcester, Massachusetts.

Preferred Citation : Worcester Historical Museum, Worcester, Massachusetts.

Provenance : Donated by Mrs. David Craig Wesson, 1980.

MARC Access : Collection is cataloged in MARC under the following subject headings

Historical/Biographical Notes

Arthur Gordon Warren (1862 – 1947), lived and worked in Worcester for most of his life. He began as a clerk at the American Steel and Wire Company and its predecessor, the Washburn and Moen Manufacturing Company. He worked his way up to the lab, eventually becoming curator of the American Steel Industrial Museum, continuing to volunteer with the museum after he retired in 1932.

He married Julia Florella Cutler in 1887. The couple had two sons and three daughters. One of the daughters, Helen Warren, worked as a home economics teacher in the Worcester public school system, and lived with her parents until their deaths.

Another daughter, Marion, married Philip Wesson of Mamaroneck, NY, and spent the remainder of her life there. They had two daughters, Eleanor and Elizabeth, and a son, David.

Scope and Content

This collection contains correspondence to and from various members of the Warren-Wesson family, although the bulk of it is between Arthur, Julia and Helen Warren and Marion and Philip Wesson. Correspondence to Arthur, Julia and Helen Warren spans 1896-1941, while correspondence to Marion and Philip Wesson, among other family members, spans 1900-1962. The collection also contains a small amount of family papers such as birth and death notices, a lock of hair, membership cards to various organizations, graduation announcements, etc.

Several items noted on the gift contract are missing from the collection:

1 Yearbook, *Aftermath*, from an English high school for 1907.

1 copy of *The Record*, a history of the English high school class from 1907 to 1917.

1 Tatnuck Club swimming card for Philip Wesson from 1913.

Several small programs from the 2nd and 4th annual Clark nights, from 1914 and 1915.

Series Descriptions

Series 1: Correspondence

Subseries 1: Correspondence from Arthur Warren to his family, 1920 – 1941. The vast majority of the correspondence is to Marion (Nan) and Philip Wesson. Contains 74 items.

Subseries 2: Correspondence to Arthur, Julia and Helen Warren from family members, 1896 – 1903; 1914 – 1936. The vast majority is from Marian (Nan) and Philip Wesson. Contains 105 items.

Subseries 3: Correspondence to Arthur, Julia and Helen Warren from family members, 1937 – 1941. The vast majority is from Marian (Nan) and Philip Wesson and their children. Contains 39 items.

Subseries 4: Correspondence to Arthur, Julia and Helen Warren from family members, undated. The vast majority is from Marian (Nan) and Philip Wesson. Contains 36 items.

Subseries 5: Correspondence to Marion (Nan) and Philip Wesson, the vast majority from Arthur Warren, 1900, 1942 – 1962. Contains 37 items

Series 2: Miscellaneous

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Series 2

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