

Charlotte S. Black fonds

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Fonds Description

Charlotte S. Black fonds. – 1913-1976.

31 cm of textual records.

16 photographs: b&w; 16 x 21 cm or smaller.

Biographical Sketch

Charlotte Black (1902-1979) was born in Nelson, B.C. in 1902. She graduated from the University of Manitoba with a B.Sc. in Home Economics in 1925 and began teaching in Vancouver schools in that year. Black joined the faculty of the School of Home Economics at the University of Washington in 1941 where one of her main responsibilities was the establishment and development of the Home Management House. With the establishment of the Department of Home Economics at UBC, she was invited to join the faculty and accepted. In 1946, she was made head of the department following the resignation of Dorothy Lefevbre. The status of Home Economics changed from a department to a school in 1951 and Black then became director until her retirement in 1965.

Scope and Content

Fonds consists of material about the development of the home economics program at UBC, the general historical growth of the field and some miscellaneous Canadian Home Economic Association materials (1952-64). Fonds includes a set of Black's diaries for the period between 1920 and 1942 as well as extensive correspondence from Black to her family particularly while abroad (1937-38, 1953, and 1958-59).

Notes

Researchers are strongly advised to check with the University Archives regarding permission to publish or otherwise use materials from this fonds.

Related materials can be found in the [School of Family and Nutritional Sciences fonds](#).

Series Descriptions

Home Economics series. -- 1952-1964.

6 cm of textual records.

Series consists of drafts of a constitution and bylaws of the Canadian Home Economics Association, the text of a speech given by Black to the Association, and a history of the field of Home Economics.

Personal series. -- 1913-1976.

25 cm of textual records.

16 photographs: b&w; 16 x 21 cm or smaller.

Series consists of diaries, reminiscences, correspondence, a birth certificate, visa, passport, ration cards, and photographs pertaining to Black's personal activities.

File List

HOME ECONOMICS SERIES

BOX 1

- 1-1 Home Economics - UBC
- 1-2 Home Economics - General Historical Development
- 1-3 Canadian Home Economics Association - Constitution 1952, By-laws 1954, speech by Black, 1964

PERSONAL SERIES

BOX 2

- 2-1 Diaries, 1920-22
- 2-2 Diaries, 1923-37
- 2-3 Diaries, 1932, 1937-42
- 2-4 Reminiscences, 1913-60
- 2-5 Correspondence from Black to family, June 1937- September 1937
- 2-6 Correspondence from Black to family, Oct. 1936 - Dec. 1937
- 2-7 Correspondence from Black to family, Jan. 1938 - Mar. 1938
- 2-8 Correspondence from Black to family, Mar. 1938 - May 1938

BOX 3

- 3-1 Correspondence from Black to family, May 1953 - July 1953
- 3-2 Correspondence from Black to family, 1958-1959

- 3-3 Travel Diaries, 1958-59
- 3-4 Memorabilia, 1958-59
- 3-5 Travel Documents (birth certificate, visa, passport)
- 3-6 Guest Register (CHEA Convention 1974, Reunion of the Class of 1950 [1975] and the International Federation of Home Economics, 1976)
- 3-7 Ration Cards, 1944-49
- 3-8 Miscellaneous
- 3-9 Photographs, Black and family