

Garnett Weston fonds

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Fonds description

Garnett Weston fonds.

[ca. 1890-1980].

13.5 cm of textual material.

19 photographs

Biographical sketch: Born in Toronto in 1890, Weston worked as a police and sports editor for the Vancouver Sun prior to moving to Los Angeles to write for the film industry in 1923. Weston worked as a screenwriter in Hollywood, mostly for Paramount Pictures, for 20 years during which time he authored several plays and novels. Weston continued to write fiction and prose after he moved to East Sooke on Vancouver Island in 1942 with his wife Marion and their son Gray. In addition to over a dozen novels, Weston published a book of poetry in 1970 and his fiction appeared in the Saturday Evening Post. Weston passed away on October 4, 1980, in Victoria.

Custodial history: Files 1-1 through 1-3 were included in a purchase of books by former Rare Books and Special Collections librarian Anne Yandle in 1988; the remainder of the material was transferred to RBSC in 2010 by Weston's niece.

Scope and content: Fonds consists of clippings, correspondence and manuscripts related to Weston's personal and professional life, as well as family photographs. Fonds is arranged into series according to type of material.

Source of title proper: Title based on the provenance of the fonds.

Rights note: Status of publication rights is unknown.

Finding aids note: Finding aid available.

Accruals note: Further accruals are expected.

Series descriptions

Clippings and correspondence.

1928 – 1980.

2.5 cm of textual records.

Scope and content: Series consists of clippings related to Weston, mostly clipped from British Columbia newspapers and concerning his move to Vancouver Island, and a file of outgoing letters to correspondents Sam and Ellen, mostly personal in nature but also mentioning his writing activities. Obituaries are also included in the clipping file.

Source of title proper: Title based on the content of the series.

Manuscripts.

[ca. 193-?, 1970]

11 cm of textual records.

Scope and content: Series consists of manuscripts for novels (*Clonaleur*, *Spectacles of glamour*) poetry (*Traitors three* and *Death is a private affair*, an anthology of poems written over Weston's lifetime) and the script for a play co-written by Zelda Sears (*Undertow*).

Source of title proper: Title based on the content of the series.

Photographs.

[ca. 1890-1967].

19 photographs: col. and b&w

Scope and content: Series consists of family photographs from Weston's childhood, as well as a group of family photographs from his homes in East Sooke (known as "Graymar") and Victoria.

Source of title proper: Title based on the content of the series.

File list

Series: Clippings and correspondence

Location (Box-file)	File title	Date
1-1	Clippings	1928-1980
1-2	Correspondence	[ca. 1938-1972]

Series: Manuscripts

Location (Box-file)	File title	Date
1-3	Traitors three	1970
1-4	Undertow	[ca. 1930]
1-5	Clonaleur, part I	[193-?]
1-6	Clonaleur, part II	[193-?]
2-1	Spectacles of glamour	[193-?]
2-2	Death is a private affair	[ca. 1970]

Series: Photographs

Location (Box-file)	File title	Date
2-3	Photographs	1928-1980

Photograph list

Series: Photographs

Identifier	Title	Date
BC-2135-1	Garnett Weston	[ca. 1893]
BC-2135-2	Garnett Weston	[ca. 1894]
BC-2135-3	Garnett Weston	[ca. 1898]
BC-2135-4	Garnett Weston, father Thomas, mother Elizabeth	[ca. 1903]
BC-2135-5	Liz Moxam Weston, Garnett's mother	[ca. 1890]
BC-2135-6	[Garnett Weston in military uniform]	[ca. 1914]
BC-2135-7	Entrance to Graymar - Garnett	[194-?]
BC-2135-8	[View of Graymar house]	[194-?]
BC-2135-9	East end of drawing room	[194-?]
BC-2135-10	View from drawing room	[194-?]
BC-2135-11	Corner of dining room	[194-?]
BC-2135-12	4021 Shelbourne St., Victoria	1975
BC-2135-13	Lena Clement and Garnett Weston	1967
BC-2135-14	Garnett, Marion Weston, Lena Clement	[1967]
BC-2135-15	Tony Locke, John Clement, Gray Weston, Garnett, Lena, Marion	[1967]
BC-2135-16	Gray [Weston]	[193-?]
BC-2135-17	Seasons greetings from Graymar	[194-?]
BC-2135-18	Garnett and Gray Weston	[193-?]
BC-2135-19	Garnett at Graymar in early 60's	[196-]