

Guide to the Mary Martin Vincent Archives Collection

1894-1974

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Size: 3 boxes plus 1 oversize folder (1.25 cu.ft.)

About the Martin and Nancarrow families:

The Nancarrow and Martin families lived on Rossi Hill, Park City, Utah during the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries.

George Henry Nancarrow, Sr. was born February 27, 1869 in Cornwall, England. He immigrated to the United States in 1885 and worked as a miner. He married Mary Ann Cargeeg (also born in Cornwall, in 1875) on December 24, 1894 in Park City, Utah. The couple had seven children: Edith, Elizabeth, George, Leonard, Reta, Francis, and Thelma. George was active in the Knights of Pythias and the Order of the Sons of St. George.

George Nancarrow died from miner's consumption on June 15, 1927. Mary Ann died at the age of 73 on July 21, 1948. Both are buried in the Glenwood Cemetery, Park City.

Lawrence Luther Martin was born on April 7, 1889 in Park City to Amanda Rumel and Andrew Martin. Rumel was originally from Philadelphia and, after briefly living in St. Louis, Missouri, migrated west to join the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Martin was originally from Nauvoo, Illinois and had moved to Salt Lake City sometime in the 1850s. Lawrence was the youngest of their eleven children, born after the family's 1886 move to Park City, where Andrew Martin worked as a miner. Lawrence followed in his father's footsteps, also becoming a miner. He worked in various positions including skimmer, millman, and foreman, and lost an eye in a mining accident.

Lawrence was drafted into military service on June 5, 1917. He was stationed in Vladivostok, Siberia and Camp Fremont from May 1918 to July 1919, his service seeing the end of World War I as well as the Russian Revolution.

Lawrence Martin married George and Mary Ann's daughter Edith Nancarrow, when he was 28 year old and she was 21. They had two children, Florence May (Cossey) and Mary Elizabeth (Vincent). Lawrence died on May 5, 1979. Edith died on May 9, 1980. Both are buried in the Park City Cemetery.

Details about other Nancarrow and Martin family members are provided in the finding aid below.

About the Mary Martin Vincent Collection:

The Mary Martin Vincent Collection contains objects (including textiles), photographs, and archives.

The archives collection is primarily made up of correspondence and miscellaneous papers that document the family's history. The bulk of the correspondence is from Lawrence Luther Martin to Edith Nancarrow Martin, with a large percentage of this being letters from his time in the service during World War I. Also of note are correspondence from Francis Nancarrow ("Frank") from his time in the service during World War II.

The miscellaneous papers are mostly baptismal records, school certificates and awards, and wedding invitations and marriage certificates. Some of this material is oversized. Also included in the archival material are receipts, business documents, property records, and planners/day books.

This archival collection contains a large number of postcards, some with correspondence and some without.

Administrative Information

Access Restrictions:

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Subjects:

World War, 1914-1918

World War, 1939-1945

Mines and mining

Family history

Women's history

United States—20th century

Collection arrangement:

The original order was maintained. The donor family organized this collection by family member, grouping material together by individual. Park City Museum staff separated oversized material into its own folder.

Collection contents:

Series I. George Nancarrow, Sr. and Mary Ann Cargeeg

BOX 1 (2016.6.311.1)

| Box | Folder | Contents |
|-----|--------|---|
| 1 | 1 | Correspondence, 1924 |
| 1 | 2 | Correspondence, 1926 |
| 1 | 3 | Correspondence, undated |
| 1 | 4 | Wedding invitation and marriage certificate, wedding gift tags |
| 1 | 5 | Memorial record |
| 1 | 6 | Miscellaneous papers, including receipts for general merchandise and papers related to fraternal orders (Knights of Pythias, and Order of the Sons of St. George) |

Series II. Lawrence Luther Martin

| Box | Folder | Contents |
|-----|--------|---|
| 1 | 7 | Correspondence to Edith Nancarrow, 1914 – August 1915 |
| 1 | 8 | Correspondence to Edith Nancarrow, September 1915 – April 1916 |
| 1 | 9 | Correspondence to Edith Nancarrow Martin, 1918 |
| 1 | 10 | Correspondence to Edith Nancarrow Martin, 1919 |
| 1 | 11 | Miscellaneous correspondence |
| 1 | 12 | World War I diary, May 1918 – November 1918 |
| 1 | 13 | World War I diary, November 1918 – July 1919 |
| 1 | 14 | Miscellaneous Army and World War I materials, including honorable discharge papers, a primer on Hawaii, postcards from Angel Island, and menu for welcome home dinner |
| 1 | 15 | Day book/planner, 1915 |
| 1 | 16 | Wedding invitation and program, anniversary card |
| 1 | 17 | Rules of Maccabees |
| 1 | 18 | Time book |
| 1 | 19 | Souvenir postcards |
| 1 | 20 | Miscellaneous papers, including address book and notebook, eulogy given at Lawrence Martin's funeral, handwriting samples |

Series III. Edith Nancarrow Martin

BOX 2 (2016.6.311.2)

| Box | Folder | Contents |
|-----|--------|--|
| 2 | 1 | Signature book and school award |
| 2 | 2 | Souvenir postcards and correspondence from Lawrence Martin |
| 2 | 3 | Miscellaneous correspondence |
| 2 | 4 | Program booklet from baptism of Mary Martin, June 16, 1929 |

Series IV. Elizabeth Nancarrow

Elizabeth was the second child of George Nancarrow, Sr. and Mary Ann Cargeeg. She was born January 20, 1897 and lived in Park City until her death at the age of 90. She is buried in Glenwood Cemetery, Park City.

| Box | Folder | Contents |
|-----|--------|---------------------------------|
| 2 | 5 | Signature book and school award |

Series V. George Nancarrow, Jr.

George was the third child of George Nancarrow, Sr. and Mary Ann Cargeeg. He was born on February 21, 1900 and lived in Park City until his early adult years. He moved to Seattle, Washington, where he met and married Nettie May Nelson on December 1, 1951. He died on May 5, 1975 and is buried in Seattle.

| Box | Folder | Contents |
|-----|--------|---|
| 2 | 6 | School award |
| 2 | 7 | Wallet contents, including ID and membership cards |
| 2 | 8 | Miscellaneous papers related to his wife, Nettie Nelson |

Series VI. Leonard Nancarrow

Leonard is the fourth child of George Nancarrow, Sr. and Mary Ann Cargeeg. He was born on May 3, 1902 and worked as a grocery clerk at Welsh, Driscoll, and Buck for many years. He also worked at the Judge mine for a brief time before moving to Seattle in 1944. He met and married Laura Lanier in Washington and later died on February 20, 1956. He is buried in Seattle.

| Box | Folder | Contents |
|-----|--------|---------------------|
| 2 | 9 | Unemployment papers |

Series VII. Francis "Frank" Nancarrow

Frank is the sixth child of George Nancarrow, Sr. and Mary Ann Cargeeg. (The couple's fifth child, Reta, died in December 1904 at the age of nine months.) Frank lived in the family home at 323 Rossi Hill (Ontario Ave) for his entire life. He worked as a miner and bartender in and around Park City. During World War II, he joined the armed forces and served in the South Pacific as a combat engineer. He was a longtime member of the Elks Lodge and Veterans of Foreign Wars. He died on January 19, 1990 and is buried in the Glenwood Cemetery, Park City.

| Box | Folder | Contents |
|-----|--------|---|
| 2 | 10 | World War II correspondence and diary; note: the letter dated December 29, 1942 contained two silk handkerchiefs obtained by Frank in New Caledonia and sent to his mother as a birthday present, see 2016.6.309 and 2016.6.310 |
| 2 | 11 | Discharge papers |

Series VIII. Thelma Nancarrow

Thelma was the seventh and last child born to George Nancarrow, Sr. and Mary Ann Cargeeg. Born on September 18, 1910, she also lived in the family home at 323 Rossi Hill (Ontario Ave) for her entire life. She worked for some years at Welsh, Driscoll, and Buck before moving to the Utah Power and Light Company, where she stayed for 28 years. She was an active member of the Park City Community Church. She died on January 22, 1989 and is buried in the Glenwood Cemetery, Park City.

| Box | Folder | Contents |
|-----|--------|--|
| 2 | 12 | Miscellaneous papers related to high school graduation, including invitations, programs, and diploma |
| 2 | 13 | Article about service at Utah Power & Light |
| 2 | 14 | Family history notes |

Series IX. Florence Martin Cossey

Florence was the first child of Lawrence Martin and Edith Nancarrow. She was born on June 1, 1918, when her father was stationed in Siberia. She grew up to be an excellent seamstress. She married Nathan Cossey at the age of 22, and the couple lived for a time at 417 Rossi Hill (Ontario Ave) in Park City. They had one son, Karl Cossey. The Cosseys moved to Salt Lake City in 1985. She died on May 7, 2005 and is buried in the Park City Cemetery.

| Box | Folder | Contents |
|-----|--------|--|
| 2 | 15 | Miscellaneous papers related to high school graduation, including invitations, programs |
| 2 | 16 | Miscellaneous papers related to wedding, including invitation, napkin, newspaper article (photocopy) |

Series X. William Nancarrow

William Nancarrow was the brother of George Nancarrow, Sr. He lived in Michigan.

| Box | Folder | Contents |
|-----|--------|---|
| 2 | 17 | Miscellaneous papers, including invitation to graduation, telegram and correspondence |

Series XI. Miscellaneous

The majority of the postcards in this series were received from the Bishop family (cousins of the Nancarrows through Mary Ann Cargeeg Nancarrow and Elizabeth Cargeeg Bishop) who moved to Denver from Park City sometime between 1905 and 1910.

| Box | Folder | Contents |
|-----|--------|--|
| 2 | 18 | Property records, Abstract of Title for Lot 17 Block 54 |
| 2 | 19 | Property records, Abstract of Title for Lot 18 Block 54 |
| 2 | 20 | Property records, warranty deeds, quit claim deeds, mortgages, etc. for Lots 17, 18, 19 Block 54 |
| 2 | 21 | Park City Community Church cookbook |
| 2 | 22 | Park City High School alumni book, 1902-1974 |

BOX 3 (2016.6.311.3)

| Box | Folder | Contents |
|-----|--------|---|
| 3 | 1 | Postcards, 1907-1911 |
| 3 | 2 | Postcards, 1912-1914 |
| 3 | 3 | Postcards, 1915-1917 |
| 3 | 4 | Postcards, 1918-1921 |
| 3 | 5 | Postcards, 1922-1923 |
| 3 | 6 | Postcards, 1924-1929 |
| 3 | 7 | Postcards, undated, Easter-themed |
| 3 | 8 | Postcards, undated, Christmas-themed |
| 3 | 9 | Postcards, undated, New Years-themed |
| 3 | 10 | Postcards, undated, Valentine and birthday-themed |
| 3 | 11 | Postcards, undated, miscellaneous |

Series XII. Oversized materials

OVERSIZE FOLDER 1 OF 1 (2016.6.311.4)

| Box | Folder | Contents |
|-------------------------------|---------------|---|
| Archives Oversize Box 3 | 1 of 1 | Miscellaneous papers from Nancarrow and Martin families including school certificates and certificates of baptism |