

COSS COLLECTION

Special Collections, Akron-Summit County Public Library

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS NO: 3

1 manuscript box and 1 photograph box

LOCATION NO: A-2

ACQUISITION: This material was donated by Bev Coss, 1998.

ACCESS: Restricted access: materials fragile; access by request at Main Library archives only; material does not circulate.

SCOPE AND CONTENT: This collection consists of a variety of materials related to the family of Bev Coss, photographs of some Ohio Bell workers from the 1920s to the 1940s, and photographs showing damage from the tornado that hit Akron on April 27, 1943.

CONTAINER LIST:

ONE DOCUMENT BOX: Which contains the following;

ENVELOPE 1: Program from Ohio Bell Telephone Company's President's Supervisory Luncheon Meeting at Sheraton-Mayflower Hotel, Akron, Jan. 11, 1956.

5 X 7 PHOTOGRAPHS #1A-C: Photos taken at the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Grucella, Sept. 21, 1940.

#2A-C: Photographs of Lorraine Weckmen, Irene Dillon, and Mike and Norma Frank. (Ohio Bell employees) Spring of 1942.

8 X 10 PHOTOGRAPHS #1A-C: Women employees of Ohio Bell in group photo, at bowling match, c. early 1940s. Marguerite and Gertrude Evans identified, but others are not.

FOLDER 1: includes;

- Family materials related to Leah (Evans) Jones, great grandmother of Bev Coss.
- Newspaper clippings
- Census data
- Maps
- Marriage record and Naturalization record
- Family reminiscences written by Bev Coss

FOLDER 2: Diary kept by Ruth Myers Woodford, (b. Aug. 4, 1895, d. Aug. 8, 1979) grandmother of Bev Coss, dated Jan. 28, 1920 to May 7, 1920.

FOLDER 3: Series of articles related to the automobile in Akron, 1903-1934, and summary written by Bev Coss.

ONE PHOTOGRAPH BOX: Which contains the following photographs, all size 3 X 5.

(Note: Many, but not all of these photographs, have detailed lists of the names of the people in the photographs written on the front of their individual sheet covers. A list of these names and corresponding photograph sheet numbers can be found on the last page of this finding aid. Only general descriptions are given here.)

#1 A-G: From the photo album of Gertrude Evans, women employees of the Ohio Bell Telephone Company, 1925.

#2 A-D: From the photo album of Marguerite Evans, "At Chippewa Lake Saturday June 19, 1926, 'bunch' from Ohio Bell Telephone Company Accounting Dept."

#3 A-E: Series of photographs taken on May 20, 1929 to be put in *The Ohio Bell Magazine*, "Sisters of the Revenue Accounting Dept., Ohio Bell Telephone Company."

#4 A-H: "Ohio Bell Girls" from the Revenue and Accounting Dept., Ohio Bell Telephone Company, Aug. 1, 1929.

#5 A-C: Photographs taken "At a party given by Mrs. Pauline Banks at Portage Lakes for tall department girls" (Ohio Bell) June 25, 1931.

#6 A-E: Photographs taken June 30, 1931 "At wedding shower given in honor of Marie Orser." (who married Corwin Carter on July 4, 1931.) Women from Ohio Bell.

#7 A-K: Miscellaneous photographs of women from the Ohio Bell Telephone Company c. early 1940s.

#8 A-E: Photographs taken at the wedding of Ethlyn Randolph and Frank Grucella, Sept. 20, 1940.

#9 A-B: Photographs of Ruth Dantzler, Aug. 21, 1942. (Ohio Bell)

#10 A-B: Marguerite Evans, Marion White, Helen Brown, Ruth Dantzler, and Helen Curtis (Ohio Bell employees) at bowling, 1942.

#11 A-B: "The Ohio Bell Girls at League Weiner Roast," Perkins Park, June 15, 1943.

#12 A-D: "Results of the tornado April 27, 1943, our car, Juneau St., Akron."

#13 A-D: "Results of the tornado April 27, 1943, E. Flint St., Akron."

#14 A-J: "Results of the tornado April 27, 1943, on Flint St., Akron."

#15 A-B: "Results of the tornado April 27, 1943, on Route 21, about one half mile from Copley."

#16 A-D: "Results of the tornado April 27, 1943, Pickford St. near Little St., Akron."

