



Jim and Dorothy Boyce fonds

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Description Level:	1 / Fonds
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Reference Code:	M250 / V79
GMD:	Motion picture Film Photograph Album Negative Photograph print Textual record Corporate record Private record Published record
Date Range:	[ca.1850-2001]
Physical Description:	ca.6.5 m textual records. -- ca.3500 photographs: prints, negatives, copy negatives. -- 4 photograph albums. -- 5 motion pictures: film reels; 8mm, 16mm; col.

History /

Biographical:

James (Jim) Hawkins Boyce, 1892-1982, was a guide, outfitter, log builder and businessman at Lake Louise and Banff, Alberta, Canada. Dorothy Boyce was a pharmacist and business woman at Calgary, Quebec and Banff, Canada.

Jim Boyce was the son of Joseph Boyce, 1856-1927, and stepson of Wilma "Josephine" Boyce, 1866-1952, of Banff, Alberta. In 1911, Jim joined his father building trails. His guiding and outfitting career began with Jimmy Simpson's outfit as a trail cook. During the 1920s Boyce formed his own outfit with Max Brooks and went on to guide prominent clients Carl Rungius, Caroline Hinman and her parties, George and Adeline Link and William D. Cox of Chicago, USA.

In addition to guiding and outfitting, Jim Boyce worked with motion picture companies on location in the Rockies with his dog teams during the 1920s. A number of well-known log buildings are testament to his log-building skills, including Skoki, Mount Temple Lodge and the Lake Louise Ski Lodge. During the 1930s, Boyce managed and expanded Skoki Lodge. He also supervised road construction on the Banff-Jasper Highway and the Alaska Alcan Military Highway for the U. S. Army during the Second World War and operated the Bar C Ranch (for William D. Cox) for many years. Boyce made his home in Banff.

Dorothy Frances Llewellyn (Whiteman) Boyce, 1901-2001, was the daughter of Rev Arthur Wellesley Richard Whiteman, 1865-1926, and Nina L. Whiteman, 1873-1956. After studying pharmacy at the University of Alberta, Dorothy came to Banff in 1922 to work for Dr. Brett. She subsequently studied at the University of Toronto, Ontario; worked at the Calgary General Hospital, Alberta, from 1926 to 1940; and during the Second World War, worked as a chemist in Quebec, Canada. After the death of her first husband, Tronson James Draper, 1879-1949, an oilman of Calgary, Alberta, Dorothy became a permanent resident of Banff. She owned and operated Travellers Digest in Banff and married Jim Boyce in 1957.

Scope & Content:

Fonds consists of material pertaining to the separate careers and families of Jim and Dorothy Boyce, as well as material from their life together.

Jim Boyce material consists mainly of business and personal papers and photographs, ca.1910-1982. Business papers arise mainly from the incorporation, operation and expropriation of the Lake Louise Ski Lodge (later Post Hotel) 1941-1969. Other business and personal material pertains to Skoki Lodge, 1933-1942; guiding and outfitting, 1938-1940; Army Service Forces and Alaska Alcan Military Highway, 1943-1944; Bar C Ranch, 1947-1969; laundry and rental businesses, 1962-1965, plans for Boyce house, Banff and family items. Correspondents include William D. Cox and Eldon Woolliams. Jim Boyce photographs pertain to family, friends, associates and activities, Banff and Skoki areas; includes guiding and outfitting, hunting, motion picture and dog team activities, Skoki Lodge and region, Alaska-Yukon activities, Bar C Ranch and personal material.

Papers of Dorothy Boyce, 1901-ca.1950, pertain to her childhood, university career, business life and first marriage; Dorothy Boyce photographs, ca.1920s-1940, pertain to family, friends, professional and recreational activities in Banff, Banff and Yoho National Parks, Calgary, Edmonton, Vancouver and Toronto.

Jim and Dorothy Boyce joint material includes photographs, 1900s-1990s, and incoming letters pertaining to home, travel and friends. Album includes mainly published postcards from all over the world. Fonds also includes Boyce family personal and financial papers, 1901-1928; business and estate papers of Joseph Boyce, 1908-1954; Tronson Draper and Draper family personal and professional papers and photographs, 1906-1949; and Whiteman family papers and photographs, ca.1860, 1885-ca.1925. Also included in the Boyce's personal records are film reels ca.1920-1970 which pertain mainly to the Skoki area.

Name Access: Boyce, Jim
 Boyce, Dorothy

Subject Access:	Exploration, discovery and travel Family and personal life
Access Restrictions:	Some restriction/s on access Copyright, privacy, commercial use and other restrictions may apply
Language:	English
Finding Aid:	Finding aids and reference tools: preliminary electronic finding aid motion picture summaries
Related Material:	Transparencies by Adeline and/or George Link of trips with Jim Boyce, formerly retained by Jim Boyce, can be found in George K. K. Link fonds (M60/V276) Accompanied by artifacts (Heritage collections, Whyte Museum)
Creator:	Boyce, Jim Boyce, Dorothy
Category:	Exploration, discovery and travel Family and personal life
Title Source:	Title based on accession records and contents of fonds
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