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Laurie Drackett fonds. - [textual record, graphic material]. - 1943-1971. - 14.5 cm of textual records and photographs.

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Biographical history

Laurie Drackett was born on November 20, 1899 in Milton, County of Kent, England to Albert Freeman Drackett and Olive Edith (Stewart-Trevelyan) Drackett. He had one brother Victor. The family came to Canada in 1905, and homesteaded in Thomson's Lake and City View districts. Later they started Drackett's Auction Rooms in Moose Jaw. Laurie took over the business in 1923 and called it Laurie Drackett Agencies and Auctioneers. Laurie was auctioneering at the age of 16. He also farmed in the Archive district. Laurie was an accomplished sportsman and an awarded professional wrestler. He also was a life member of the Moose Jaw Elks Lodge.

Laurie married Eileen Allward and they had two sons, Gordon and Murray. Eileen passed away in 1956.

Laurie Drackett died in February, 1971 at the age of 71. He was survived by his second wife Hazel, his children, and 12 grandchildren.

Scope and content

This fonds consists of seven scrapbooks of newspaper clippings, cards, letters, memorabilia and photographs of many topics including family, antiques, the auction business, and British royalty compiled by Laurie Drackett and his second wife Hazel Drackett. There are two posters advertising auction sales and one listing an implement dealers competition, as well as a sheet of blank letterhead and an envelope.

Note of immediate source of acquisition

Accession number 22.BA donated to the archives by Mrs. Hazel Drackett.

Conservation note

This fonds was re-boxed and foldered in 2004.

Accruals

Further accruals are not expected.

Finding aids

See file list.

File List

- 001 Scrapbook. 1939, 1964-1970
- 002 Scrapbook. 1943-1947
- 003 Scrapbook. 1948-1950
- 004 Scrapbook. 1950-1954
- 005 Scrapbook. 1968-1974
- 006 Scrapbook. 1969-1970
- 007 Scrapbook. 1970-1972
- 008 Posters. 1954, 1967, 1972
- 009 Blank Letterhead and Envelope.