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Guide to Collection

Sherwood, Curtis H., 1896-

Papers of Curtis H. Sherwood, 1932-1987 (bulk 1932-1949)

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1 folder (13 items)

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ACQUISITION: Curtis H. Sherwood donated personal papers and stereopticon slides (PCA 150) of the Juneau area to the Alaska State Library in the Fall of 1979, Acc. #1979-28. Item #13 was added in January 2003, Acc. # 2003-3.

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Biography

Mr. Sherwood came to Juneau in 1940 from Eagle Rock, California. He purchased a dairy farm in the Mendenhall Valley from Mrs. Jensine Pederson who operated the Pederson Dairy. Mr. Sherwood, his wife, Gladys and their children moved into the log and frame farmhouse. Mr. Sherwood was born in Capitola, California in 1896 and was a graduate of Oregon Agricultural College (now Oregon State University) with a Bachelor of Science degree.

He organized and helped incorporate the Glacier Highway Electric Association in Auke Bay and served as the association's president for the first years. Later he served a short time as the temporary manager of G.H.E.A.

Scope and Contents Note

Papers include land indenture, agreements, affidavit, property description, correspondence and other documents concerning the Pederson Dairy and the Glacier Highway Electric Association from 1932-1987.

Inventory

Folder:

- 1 Pederson, Jensine. Land indenture to Axel Carlson for one acre near the Mendenhall River, dated December 10, 1932.
- 2 Pederson, Jensine. Agreement with Curtis H. Sherwood and Gladys R. Sherwood for the purchase of the dairy ranch on the Mendenhall Bar, nine miles northwest of Juneau by the Sherwoods, dated December 2, 1940.
- 3 Pederson, Jensine. Land indenture to Axel Carlson for one acre near the Mendenhall River previously conveyed in 1932, but not recorded or payment made, is conveyed back to Mrs. Pederson, April 26, 1947.
- 4 Pederson, Jensine. Affidavit that Jensine Pederson and Pedersen are the same person and legally executed the deed of property to Curtis and Gladys Sherwood in April 1947.
- 5 Description of property markers at various corners of dairy farm as taken from Land Office Records at Juneau, December 2, 1940.

- 6 Ormiston, T. E., Lt. Col. Letter from Juneau to Commanding Officer, U.S. Army request to allow Curtis Sherwood to cut hay along the entrance road to the military post, dated June 19, 1943 with approval noted June 25, 1943.
- 7 Easement to the U.S. Government for putting a water main across the Sherwood dairy property outside Juneau and Sherwoods could use some of the water, dated June 15, 1943.
- 8 Glacier Highway Electric Association, Inc. Membership Certificate No. I to Curtis H. and Gladys Sherwood, dated November 18, 1949.
- 9 Membership certificate, as above, dated April 7, 1946.
- 10 Alaska Territorial Guard Oath and certificate of enrollment for Curtis Homer Sherwood, dated August 10, 1942. Approved and signed by Ernest Gruening, governor.
- 11 Honorable Discharge Certificate
- 12 Schwartz, Paul L. "Curtis Sherwood Makes Good in Alaska : ex-California dairyman lives comfortably on 15 cows." in *The California Dairyman*, v. 31, no. 13, July 28, 1951, p. 16-17.
- 13 (Acc. # 2003-3): Letter from Jeanie McVey Macaulay, Admin. Ass't, Glacier Highway Electric Association, sending check for capital credits, giving condition of the dairy farm and remembering old times; also includes appreciation for Sherwood's past work with GHEA, April 22, 1987.