Virginia Dantice Goodman photographs collection

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## Summary Information

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### Preferred Citation note

Virginia Dantice Goodman photographs collection, Ph.00563, History Colorado, Denver, Colo.
Biographical/Historical note

In 1913, Harvey Albert Dantice (1879-1970) and his wife, Muriel Elizabeth (Newton) Dantice (1884-1971), moved to Hahns Peak, Colorado with their daughter, Virginia (1911-1982). From 1913-1919, the family lived on a ranch at Red Creek, southwest of Hahns Peak, where their son, Albert Richard Dantice (1917-1974), was born. In the spring of 1919, the Dantice family moved to a nearby ranch five miles from the Wyoming border and Virginia attended school in Columbine, Colorado. In 1922, the family moved again to the James Caron ranch near Columbine, where they lived until June 1927. The Dantice family then resettled in the San Luis Valley near Del Norte, Colorado, where many of Harvey Dantice's relatives lived. Virginia drove a school bus in Del Norte from 1929-1930 before marrying Oscar Daniel Joel Goodman (1903-1973) in May 1930. In their early marriage, Virginia and Oscar worked on cattle ranches in southern Colorado. From November 1931 to the spring of 1932, Virginia and Oscar ran cattle with Harvey Albert Dantice at the Marve Woods ranch south of Monte Vista. They subsequently rode as cattle herders for the Woods, McNeil, and Hocker cattlemen until 1934, when they moved to Sargent, Colorado, where Oscar Goodman "rode ditch" (worked on irrigation ditch maintenance) for the Rio Grande Canal Co. In 1935, the couple moved again to work as caretakers for the Santa Maria Reservoir near Creede, Colorado, where they lived until 1939. They later settled in Del Norte, where their first daughter, Betty May, was born in 1946, and a second daughter, Linda Lee, was born in 1951.

Scope and Contents note

This collection contains two photograph albums and loose photos that primarily document Virginia Dantice Goodman's family life, schooling, and ranch work on the Caron Ranch near Columbine and Hahns Peak, Colorado from 1925-1927 and her married life in the San Luis Valley near Del Norte, Colorado, where she worked variously as a cattler herder and a caretaker for the Santa Maria Reservoir from 1927-1939. The collection also contains a typescript manuscript entitled "Dantice, Newton, Goodman History," written by Virginia Dantice Goodman, a written account of her family's history in Routt County and the San Luis Valley, as depicted in the photographs, including her own reminiscences. There is also one folder of various loose items found with the manuscript, including business cards from Columbine and Hahns Peak businesses, circa 1980-1982.

Administrative Information
Publication Information

History Colorado. Stephen H. Hart Research Center

Copyright status

History Colorado owns copyright to the materials in this collection.

Immediate Source of Acquisition note


Processing Information note

Processed by Megan K. Friedel, February 2015.

Controlled Access Headings

Family Name(s)

- Dantice family -- Photographs

Geographic Name(s)

- Columbine (Colo.)--Photographs.
- Del Norte (Colo.)--Photographs.
- Hahns Peak (Colo.)--Photographs.
- San Luis Valley (Colo. and N.M.)--Photographs.

Personal Name(s)

- Dantice, Harvey Albert, 1879-1970 -- Photographs
- Dantice, Muriel Elizabeth Newton Dantice , 1884-1971 -- Photographs
- Goodman, Oscar Daniel Joel, 1903-1973 -- Photographs
- Goodman, Virginia Dantice, 1911-1982 -- Photographs
Subject(s)

- Cattle herding--Colorado--Photographs.
- Ranch life--Colorado--Photographs
- Ranch life--Colorado--Routt County--Photographs.
- Ranching--Colorado--Photographs.
- Ranching--Colorado--Routt County--Photographs.
- Reservoirs--Colorado--Mineral County--Photographs.
- Routt County (Colo.)--Photographs.

General note

Accession # 2014.109
FF 1. Album 1. Routt County and San Luis Valley, Colorado, 1925-circa 1930

Scope and Contents note

This albums contains snapshot taken by Virginia Goodman Dantice and other unidentified photographers that primarily document the Dantice family's life on the James Caron ranch near Hanhs Peak and Columbine, Colorado, 1925-1927. The photos depict members of Dantice family, including Virginia, Harvey Albert Dantice, Muriel Newton Dantice, Albert Richard Dantice, Harvey's brother John Lafayette Dantice (1898-1945), and his daughter Clara Mae Dantice, as well as many friends and family. Also documented in the photos are the Dantice family's home on the James Caron ranch near Hahns Peak and their work haying, riding horses, and working sheep on the ranch; the Columbine School and Deep Creek School, where Virginia attended, as well as her teacher, Lula Keller, and Lula's Keller's daughter Ruth; hiking trips to the top of Hahns Peak; and views of Columbine, Colorado, including the store and post office, among other subjects.

The albums also contains a handful of snapshots taken in the San Luis Valley, likely circa 1927-1930 after the Dantice family had moved from Routt County to near Del Norte, Colorado. These photos depict Virginia's husband, Oscar Joel Goodman; a horse-pack trip taken by Virginia, Oscar, and friends; and the Ski-Hi Stampede, circa 1927.

FF 2. Loose photographs removed from Album 1, circa 1925-1968


Scope and Contents note

This album contains snapshots taken by Virginia Dantice Goodman and other unidentified photographers that document Virginia's life in the San Luis Valley after she started dating Oscar Joel Goodman in 1929 and subsequently married him in 1930. The photos depict Virginia's work driving a school bus
in Del Norte in 1929-1930; the couple's first home on Frisco Creek near Del Norte; Oscar Goodman and Harvey Albert Dantice's work raising cattle near Monte Vista, Colorado in 1931-1932; Oscar and Virginia's work herding cattle near Platora, Colorado in 1932; the couple's life as caretakers at the Santa Maria Reservoir near Creede, Colorado in 1935-1939; horse-pack trips and horseback riding; views of Truth and Consequences, New Mexico; and various Dantice and Howard family members, among other subjects.

FF 4. Loose photographs removed from Album 2, circa 1927-1979

FF 5. Other loose items removed from Album 2, circa 1929-1939


FF 7. Loose items found with "Dantice, Newton, Goodman History" manuscript, circa 1980-1982

Scope and Contents note

Includes addresses for various people and business cards for Columbine, Hahns Peak and Glenwood Springs, Colorado businesses.