GEORGE E. GRANT PAPERS, 1906–1990 (BULK 1906–1910)

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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

George E. Grant (1885–1973) was the son of John W. and Elzora King Grant. At the age of sixteen he began teaching school in Birdseye, Dubois County, Indiana. In 1906, when he was twenty-one, still living at home, and having some problems with his parents, he left home to join the U.S. Marines.

He spent the next four years in the service, mainly in the Pacific area: the Philippines; San Francisco; Bremerton, Washington. After four years in the Marines, Grant returned home to Birdseye, and taught school. He married Mayme E. Erp (1886–1976) in 1911, and had three daughters and a son.

Sources:

Information in collection.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

This collection consists mainly of a bound journal, the first 162 pages of which contain muster rolls of Grant's Marine company (written contemporaneous to the events). Pages 167–229 contain an account by Grant of his Marine service, some or all of which was written later. Part was copied by his daughter in 1940. There are also one photograph of Grant in uniform, and notes (1990) for a talk by Lucina Ball Moxley about Grant's account.

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Interesting parts include his adventures in leaving home and enlisting, and the description of a race among three warships in the Pacific as part of an intra-squadron competition. Grant was not a completely gung-ho Marine, sometimes preferring to "goof off" and to read.

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Account of Marine service, 1906-1910 Folder 1

Lucina Ball Moxley, "The Diary of George Elmer Grant: Four Years of Marine Duty, 1906-1910"

(1990, typescript), and a handwritten page of

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