

Guide to Clarice Chase Dunn Papers, 1942-2001

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Overview of the collection

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Collection Number: University Historical Collection 268

Creators: Dunn, Clarice Chase

Title: Clarice Chase Dunn Papers

Dates: 1942-2001

Quantity: 2.6 linear feet (3 archives boxes, 1 flat box)

Location of Collection: A10/2e, A3/2b

Languages: Collection materials are in English and Japanese.

Summary: Personal papers of a teacher who worked in the Heart Mountain (Wyoming) Japanese American relocation camp during World War II.

Biographical Note

Clarice Chase Dunn, a 1937 Eau Claire State Teachers College graduate from Cornell, Wisconsin, was a school teacher for 35 years. In addition to teaching in high schools and junior college, she taught illiterate adults, foreign students and homebound children. From 1942-1943 she was an English teacher at the Heart Mountain (Wyoming) relocation camp school for Japanese Americans. While at Heart Mountain she taught classes including English, social science and civics along with an adult evening class on cooperatives. In 1943 Dunn was sent back home to Washington, D.C., following a battle with chronic bronchitis. She went on to teach English to Russians on a Lend-Lease Mission and later worked with the USO in Texas. During the Korean War she was a program director at a service

club in Yokohama, Japan, for Army Special Services. In addition to teaching, Clarice became an accomplished writer and speaker, publishing hundreds of articles in magazines and newspapers and receiving many awards. Her work in special education included developing projects for the Wisconsin Division of Vocational Rehabilitation and the Madison Association for Retarded Citizens. Dunn has retired from teaching and currently resides in Madison.

Content Description

The collection contains materials documenting the operation of the Heart Mountain relocation camp, as well as efforts in the 1980s to establish redress payments to those who were interned in these camps. The collection is divided into five series: Relocation, Redress Payment Documents, Memorabilia, Publications, and Clarice Chase Dunn's Personal Library.

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information: Donated to the University Archives and Special Collections, University of Wisconsin – Eau Claire by Carole Halberg on behalf of Clarice Chase Dunn in February 2004.

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Arrangement: By series.

Subjects

Personal Names: Dunn, Clarice Chase – Archives

Corporate Names: Heart Mountain Relocation Center (Wyo.)

Subject Terms:

Japanese Americans—Evacuation and relocation, 1942-1945

Teachers – United States – History – 20th century

Teachers – United States -- Biography

Detailed List of Contents

Series 1: Relocation

Reports, fliers, and publications produced by the Relocation Authority (Washington, D.C.) and the Heart Mountain Relocation Center administration.

Dates: 1942-1943

Extent: 0.1 cubic feet (2 folders)

Container	Contents	Dates
Box/Folder 1/1-2	Relocation Documents	1942-1943

Series 2: Redress Payment Documents

Primarily fliers and handouts on reparations to Japanese Americans produced by the Japanese American Citizens League

Dates: 1979-1991

Extent: 0.04 cubic feet (1 folder)

Container	Contents	Dates
Box/Folder 1/3	Redress Documents	1979-1991

Series 3: Memorabilia

Awards, scrapbooks, and autograph books; also an undated oral history interview on cassette tape with Clarice Chase Dunn.

Dates: 1942-1981, undated

Extent: 0.4 cubic feet (1 archives box)

Container	Contents	Dates
Box/Folder 1/4	Award	1981

Box/Folder 1/5	Heart Mountain Scrapbook	1942-1943
Box 1	Autograph Books and oral history	undated

Series 4: Publications

Primarily consists of newspapers and newsletters from the Heart Mountain Relocation Center and other Japanese American internment camps. Also includes a subject clipping file maintained by Clarice Dunn.

Dates: 1942-2001

Extent: 1.2 cubic feet ((1 archives box, 1 flat box)

Container	Contents	Dates
Box/Folder 2/1-3	Heart Mountain Newsletters ("Echoes," "Reports," and "Sentinel" (Japanese Edition))	1942-1943
Box/Folder 2/4	"Granada Pioneer" (Amache, CO)	1942-1943
Box/Folder 2/5	"Pacific Cable"	1942
Box/Folder 2/6	Miscellaneous newsletters	Circa 1942-1943
Box/Folder 2/7	Newspaper clippings	1942-2001
Box/Folder 2/8	<i>Wisconsin Academy Review</i> , including an article on Heart Mountain Camp by Clarice Chase Dunn	1980

Series 5: Clarice Chase Dunn's Personal Library

Books with personal marginalia. Titles include: *Years of Infamy: The Untold Story of America's Concentration Camps* by Michi Weglyn; *Nisei: The Quiet Americans* by Bill Hosokawa; *Heart Mountain: The History of an American Concentration Camp* by Douglas W. Nelson; *Prejudice; Japanese Americans; Symbol of Racial Intolerance* by Care McWilliams; *The Concentration Camp Conspiracy: A Second Pearl Harbor* by Lillian Baker; *The Governing of Men; General Principles and Recommendations Based on Experience at a Japanese Relocation Camp* by Alexander H. Leighton; *Executive Order 9066: The Internment of 110,000 Japanese Americans* by the California Historical Society; *The Japanese American Incarceration: A Case for Redress* by the National Committee for Redress, Japanese American Citizens' League; *Born Free and Equal: The Story of Loyal Japanese Americans, Manzanar Relocation Center, Inyo County, California* with photographs and text by Ansel Adams.

Dates: 1944-1981**Extent:** 0.4 cubic feet (1 archives box)

Container	Contents	Dates
Box 4	Books	1944-1981