

McMicken family photograph collection, 1845-1924

Overview of the Collection

Collector	McMicken family
Title	McMicken family photograph collection
Dates	1845-1924 (inclusive) 1845 1924
Quantity	80 photographic prints 3 photographs : tintype 1 drawing 1 print : engraving (1 box, 1 folder)
Collection Number	PH0498
Summary	Photographs of early Olympia, Washington, the William McMicken family, John G. Parker and his wife Jerusha Jane Parker, and the Gilmore Hays family
Repository	University of Washington Libraries, Special Collections Special Collections University of Washington Libraries Box 352900 Seattle, WA 98195-2900 Telephone: 206-543-1929 Fax: 206-543-1931 speccoll@uw.edu
Access Restrictions	Entire collection can be viewed on the Libraries' Digital Collections website. Permission of Visual Materials Curator required to view originals. Contact Special Collections for more information.
Additional Reference	
Guides	
Languages	English

Biographical Note

William McMicken was born in Youngstown, New York in 1827 and learned engineering from his father's firm. He moved to Wisconsin and then to Minnesota. When the Civil War started, he joined the army, and was commissioned first lieutenant in Company B of the Tenth Minnesota Volunteer Infantry, which fought against the Sioux in 1862. He subsequently was assigned to the Department of Tennessee, the Sixteenth Army Corps. After the war he returned to Minnesota and was appointed assessor of internal revenue of the state's First Congressional district. He moved to the Puget Sound region in 1871 for health reasons and was eventually appointed the surveyor general for Washington Territory. A distinguished Mason, he was accorded high Masonic Honors at his funeral in 1899.

William McMicken married Rowena Ostrander. The 1878 wedding of their son, Herbert McMicken to Helen Parker linked together the four families represented in this collection: the McMickens, the Parkers, the Ostranders, and the Hays. Herbert was related to the Ostranders through his mother, Rowena. Helen was related to the Hays family through her mother, Jerusha Jane. The families resided in the area of Washington Territory that later became Olympia, Washington.

Content Description

The collection consists of McMicken, Hays and Parker family portraits and scenes in Olympia, Washington during the territorial period.

Use of the Collection

Alternative Forms Available

Photocopies of the oversize prints are included in Box 1.

[View the digital version of the collection.](#)

Restrictions on Use

Restrictions might exist on reproduction, quotation, or publication. Contact the repository for details.

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

The McMicken Family Papers (Accession 0040-001) were originally purchased from Shorey's Book Store and received June 15, 1959. The William McMicken Papers (Accession No. 0434-001) were donated by Maurice McMicken.

Processing Note

Processed by Rebekah Dalby, 2005.

The photographs in this collection were relocated within the repository from the McMicken Family Papers (Accession No. 0040-001) in April 1982 and from the William McMicken Papers (Accession No. 0434-001) in May 1982.

Detailed Description of the Collection

Captain William McMicken

Container(s)		Description	Dates
Box/ Folder	Item		
1/1	1-2	William McMicken [view] : Tintypes	ca. 1860s
1/1	3	William McMicken [view]	ca. 1860s
1/1	4	William McMicken [view] Easton's Photographic Gallery, Rochester, Minn. (photographer)	ca. 1860s
1/1	5	William McMicken [view] Beal's Art Gallery, Minneapolis, Minn. (photographer)	ca. 1860s
1/1	6	William McMicken [view] Geo. P. Hall, St. Louis, Mo. (photographer)	ca. 1860s
1/1	7	William McMicken [view] Howell, Broadway (photographer)	ca. 1880s
1/1	8-9	William McMicken [view] Rogers, Olympia, Wash. (photographer)	Sept. 1899
1/1	10	William McMicken [view]	Sept. 1899

Rowena Ostrander McMicken

Container(s)		Description	Dates
Box/ Folder	Item		
1/2	11	Rowena McMicken [view] S.E. Curtiss, Waterloo, Wis. (photographer)	ca. 1860s
1/2	12	Rowena McMicken [view] Beal's Photographic Studio, Minneapolis, Minn. (photographer)	ca. 1860s
1/2	13-14	Rowena McMicken [view] Easton's Photographic Gallery, Rochester, Minn. (photographer)	ca. 1860s

Container(s)		Description	Dates
1/2	15	Rowena McMicken and child [view]	ca. 1860s
1/2	16	Rowena McMicken [view]	ca. 1860s
1/2	17-18	Rowena McMicken [view] A.B. Woodard, Olympia, Wash. (photographer)	ca. 1870s
1/2	19	Rowena McMicken [view] Moore Portrait Photographers, Seattle, Wash. (photographer)	ca. 1870s
1/2	20-22	Rowena McMicken [view]	1905
1/2	23	Rowena McMicken [view] Davies, Portland, Or. (photographer)	ca. 1905

[Maurice McMicken?]

Container(s)		Description	Dates
Box/ Folder	Item		
1/3	24	[Maurice McMicken?] [view] Taber, San Francisco, Calif. (photographer)	undated
1/3	25	[Maurice McMicken?] [view]	undated
Box:Oversize			
OS3	26	[Maurice McMicken?] [view] Grady, Seattle, Wash. (photographer)	undated

Unidentified McMicken Family Members

Container(s)		Description	Dates
Box/ Folder	Item		
1/4	27	Baby [view] Clark, Olympia, Wash. (photographer)	ca. 1860s

Container(s)		Description	Dates
1/4	28	Elderly woman [view] Elmer & Tenney, Winona, Minn. (photographer)	ca. 1860s
1/4	29	Elderly man [view] Walter C. North, Utica, N.Y. (photographer)	ca. 1860s
1/4	30	Woman [view] A.B. Woodard, Olympia, Wash. (photographer)	ca. 1860s
1/4	31	Man [view] Rockwood, 17 Union Square (photographer)	ca. 1870s
1/4	32	Woman [view] Rockwood, 17 Union Square (photographer)	ca. 1870s
1/4	33	Woman [view] Curtis (photographer)	undated

Hays Family

Container(s)		Description	Dates
Box/ Folder	Item		
1/5	34	Major Gilmore Hays [view] Copy from a daguerreotype.	ca. 1845
1/5	35	Mr. and Mrs. Gilmore Hays, Lexington, Mo. [view] Copy from a daguerreotype.	1845
Box:Oversize			
OS3	36	Major Gilmore Hays [view]	ca. 1870s
Box/ Folder			
1/5	37	Charles M. Hays, Boise, Idaho [view]	1899

Parker Family

Container(s)		Description	Dates
Box/ Folder	Item		
1/6	38	Captain John G. Parker [view] Born in 1829 and died in 1908.	undated
1/6	39	Jerusha Jane Parker [view] Born in 1835 and died in 1917.	undated
1/6	40	Jerusha Jane Parker [view] A.L. Jackson, Tacoma, Wash. (photographer)	undated
1/6	41	Jerusha Parker, Mrs. Gilmore Parker, Mrs. Judge Struve, and Mrs. William Harrington, Tacoma, Wash. [view]	undated

Olympia, Washington, Residences

Container(s)		Description	Dates
Box/ Folder	Item		
Various			
1/7	42	"Barber" Brown's house [view]	1921
1/7	43	Crosby house [view]	1921
1/7	44	Diamond house [view]	Oct. 1921
1/7	45	Nathan Eaton house [view]	1921
1/7	46	Farquhar house [view]	Feb. 1922
1/7	47-48	Gilbert house [view]	1921
1/7	49	Judge Hewitt's house [view]	1921
1/7	50-51	"Old Huries place," with original home [view]	1921
1/7	52	"Old Huries place," new home called "Fleetwood Place" [view]	undated

Container(s)		Description	Dates
1/7	53	"Old John's place," Bush Praire [view]	1922
1/7	54	Lawson house [view]	1924
1/7	55	Littlejohn house [view]	Oct. 1921
1/7	56	O'Brian house, Swan Town [view]	ca. 1922
1/7	57	Dr. N. Ostrander house [view]	undated
1/7	58	Ovelette house [view]	Feb. 1922
1/7	59	Ovelette house [view]	1923
1/7	60	Frank Owen house [view]	1921
1/7	61	T.M. Reed house [view] Later the site of the Theatre Liberty.	1924
1/7	62	Rosenthal house [view] Later the C.S. Church.	ca. 1921
1/7	63-66	Governor Stevens's house [view]	1918
1/7	67	Sylvester house [view]	Feb. 1922

McMicken House

Box/ Folder	Item		
1/8	68-70	McMicken house [view] Formerly the Tilton house.	undated
1/8	71	McMicken house [view]	ca. 1890
1/8	72	McMicken house [view]	ca. 1908-1912

Olympia, Washington, Locations

Container(s)		Description	Dates
Box/ Folder	Item		
1/9	73	Main Street [view]	1868
1/9	74	West Side Bridge [view]	1870
1/9	75	Scully's second-hand store [view]	undated
1/9	76	New England House [view]	1918
1/9	77	Businesses on Main Street [view]	undated
1/9	78	Old maple tree by the Littlejohn residence [view]	Oct. 1921
1/9	79	Billing's cherry tree [view]	ca. 1921
1/9	80	Old maple trees near Steve Ruddel residence [view]	ca. 1921
1/9	81	Old printing office [view]	1924
1/9	82	J.C. Percival's warehouse [view]	1924
1/9	83	George Blankenship outside Carlton Hotel [view]	1924
1/9	84	Kendall Warehouse, Olympia waterfront [view]	1924

Tacoma, Washington

Container(s)		Description	Dates
Box/ Folder	Item		
1/10	85	Job Carr's cabin [view]	1865

Names and Subjects

Subject Terms :

Commercial buildings--Washington (State)--Olympia--Photographs
Families--Washington (State)--Olympia

Frontier and pioneer life--Washington (State)--Photographs
Houses--Washington (State)--Olympia
Pioneers--Washington (State)--Olympia--Photographs

Personal Names :

McMicken, Maurice--Photographs
McMicken, Rowena J. Ostrander, 1835-1910--Photographs
McMicken, William, 1827-1899--Photographs
Parker, Jerusha Jane, 1835-1917--Photographs

Family Names :

McMicken family--Photographs

Geographical Names :

Olympia (Wash.)--Photographs

Form or Genre Terms :

Drawings
Engravings
Photographic prints
Tintypes

Names and Subjects

Subject Terms :

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