

James "Pop" Hoyt collection, 1916-1978

MCC-00279

Finding Aid

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Title: James "Pop" Hoyt collection

Creator/Collector: Hoyt, James (Pop)

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Dates: 1916-1978

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Biographical information:

James Hoyt was born in St. Leonard, New Brunswick on July 22, 1898, the son of Ervine and Mary Akerley Hoyt. He moved to Fort Kent in 1911. Hoyt worked with his stepfather, a jeweler, while attending school. Hoyt attended the Madawaska Training School (University of Maine at Fort Kent) graduating in 1917. While a student at MTS, he played in the school's first basketball game. Hoyt coached basketball and baseball for MTS for 25 years, bringing two state championships to Fort Kent.

Hoyt was a charter member of the Fort Kent Lions Club and was an organizer of the Fort Kent Volunteer Fire Department. He was also chairman of the Fort Kent Red Cross Chapter (elected in 1943), director of the Fort Kent Public Library, director of the Fort Kent Playground Association, organizer of the Fort Kent Chamber of Commerce, and member of the Fort Kent Historical Society. Hoyt worked as the manager of the Maine State Liquor Store of Fort Kent from 1936 until his retirement in 1968. He died on November 23, 1984.

Scope and content:

This collection consists of materials pertaining to James "Pop" Hoyt of Fort Kent, Maine. Included are a charcoal sketch of Hoyt by Bernice Cyr; three newspapers on Hoyt from 1978; a commencement pamphlet and Distinguished Service Award presented to Hoyt by the University of Maine at Fort Kent in 1978; and sixteen photographs of Hoyt and his relatives. Also included is a newspaper clipping of the Northern Maine General Hospital in Eagle Lake, known as the "little hospital in the woods."

Inventory:

- Folder 1: Commencement, University of Maine at Fort Kent, 1978. 2 items.
- Item 1: Award Certificate. Distinguished Achievement Award, University of Maine at Fort Kent.
 - Item 2: Program. 96th Annual Commencement Exercises, University of Maine at Fort Kent. Saturday, May 13, 1978. Lists James I. Hoyt as the recipient of a Distinguished Service Award.
- Folder 2: Photographs. 16 items.
- Item 1: "Jim Hoyt at Eagle Lake, with dog." 1916.
 - Item 2: "Jim Hoyt, mother and sister." 1917.
 - Item 3: "Jim Hoyt. 20 yrs old. Harry Gammon's Jewelry Store. Military Square. Jim's Step Father." 1918.
 - Items 4-5: A man and two women standing in front of Gammon's Jewelry Store, Fort Kent. 1920; People standing on a sled pulled by a horse down a commercial street. 1920.
 - Items 6-7: A man standing in front of a horse, while two women stand on a sled being pulled by the horse, in front of J.H. Gammon's jewelry store. 1920. Attached note, "Military Square;" Two men standing on the sled, 1920.

- Item 8: "Jim Hoyt." 1920.
- Item 9: "Donna Burkett, Laura Burkett 1 yr., Pops Hoyt." Undated.
- Item 10: "Jim Hoyt." Hoyt with three women sitting on a bench. Undated.
- Item 11: "Jim Hoyt." Hoyt seated in a golf cart with two women standing next to the cart. Undated
- Item 12: "Jim Hoyt." Hoyt standing with a woman, both holding golf clubs. Undated.
- Item 13: "Molly is some dog." Jim Hoyt, Molly the dog, seated on a sidewalk in front of Gammon's Jewelry Store. Undated.
- Item 14: "Alumni banquet #1." Harold Rh(?), James Hoyt." Undated.
- Item 15: "Jim Hoyt's mother. Moved to FK (Fort Kent) with 3 sons after husband died. Married Harry Gammon." Undated.
- Item 16: Two men and three women in a sled. Undated.
- Folder 3: Newspaper clippings. 1978. 4 items.
- Folder 4: Charcoal sketch of James Hoyt by Bernice Cyr. Undated.

Conservation notes:

All photographs in folder 2 were placed in archival sleeves for preservation. The newspaper articles in folder 3 were copied on archival paper for preservation. The charcoal sketch of James Hoyt in folder 4 was also placed in an archival sleeve for preservation.