

**Jeannette (Dube) Levesque Scrapbook Collection**  
MCC-00534

Total boxes: 1  
Linear feet: 2 ft

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# **Jeannette (Dube) Levesque Scrapbook Collection (MCC-00534)**

Shelf List Number: AB-534, Online<sup>1</sup>

## **Collection Overview**

### Creator

Mrs. Hercules (Jeanette Dube) Levesque, who passed the materials on to her daughter Pauline Desjardins.

### Dates

c.1950-1960

### Extent

8 scrapbooks of mostly newspaper clippings. Digital scans of these scrapbooks are available as well upon request.

### Provenance

These scrapbooks were donated to the Frenchville Historical Society by the creator's daughter. The Frenchville Historical Society donated these items to the Acadian Archives believing they would be better suited and preserved alongside other scrapbook collections held at the Archives.

### Language

English

### Conservation Notes

Scrapbook #2 appears to have had mold on the cover and so the processing archivist threw out the covers but kept the pages themselves after checking for mold and not seeing any at the time of examination. All other scrapbooks were checked for mold and wiped down.

## **Conditions Governing Access and Use**

### Restrictions

Access: No restrictions.

Physical: To view the physical items a visit to the archives is required.

Technical: For access to digital scans, patrons must reach out to the Acadian Archives staff. A computer will be required to view these.

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## **Collection Description**

### Historical and Biographical Information

The Frenchville Historical Society (FHS) was incorporated in 1984, starting out with just the train caboos that can currently be seen off route 1. In 1994 the Historical Society acquired the Wylie house across the street from the caboos when it was donated by the family. The Wylie house holds most of the society's artifacts that aren't related to the Bangor & Aroostook (B&A) railroad; all artifacts donated by the B&A railroad are housed in the caboos. The FHS collects a wide variety of artifacts ranging from farm tools, railroad memorabilia, obituary cards, photographs, and household items like towels, dishes, and furniture.

The Frenchville Historical Society is most known for its water tower and caboos. The watertower was erected in 1910 when the railroad came to the Saint John Valley and is the only one left on a functional railroad east of the Mississippi. The tower is listed on the register of historic places. Though the town of Frenchville owns the watertower, it is maintained by the Historical society and its volunteers.

### Scope and Content

8 scrapbooks containing newspaper clippings of events and announcements from the St. John Valley with a focus on engagement and wedding announcements; anniversaries; and events held at the local schools.

### Arrangement

The scrapbooks were left in the order they were brought to the Acadian Archives in. It is unknown if this was their original order as they were brought to another institution whose staff donated them to the Archives, believing they would be better suited in our collections.

### Separated Materials (If Applicable)

Not applicable

### Subject Headings

Clippings (Books, newspapers, etc.)

Pageants

High school student activities

Saint John River Valley (Me. and N.B.)

Scrapbooks

### Related Materials

John R. Nadeau Collection (MCC-00416)

Marc Chasse Scrapbook Collection (MCC-00436)

Paula Marquis scrapbooks on the Fort Kent State Teachers College (MCC-00521)

## Collection Inventory

<b>Box</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Date(s)</b>
	Scrapbook #1	Scrapbook with the blond-haired, blue-eyed girl staring up at a red candle on the cover [Two blank labels at the top center cover up a label that previously marked the scrapbook as the property of the Frenchville Historical Society]. Consists of newspaper clippings covering high school events, engagements, weddings and anniversaries.	
1	Scrapbook #2	Dark blue scrapbook with a string binding containing newspaper clippings. <sup>2</sup> Captures events happening in the Valley on either side of the border with a focus on high school events and pageants.	
	Scrapbook #3	Tan scrapbook with a cartoonish depiction of a girl and boy's head in the center surrounded by other teens participating in activities such as getting drinks, playing sports, dancing, and riding a bike. The newspaper clippings capture events happening in the Valley with a focus on high school and UMFK events.	
	Scrapbook #4	Red scrapbook with a gold accent. The newspaper clippings capture events happening in the Valley with a focus on high school events.	
	Scrapbook #5	Tan scrapbook with a cartoonish depictions of teens participating in activities such as sports, dancing, and talking on the phone. The newspaper clippings capture events happening in the Valley with a focus on school events and weddings.	
	Scrapbook #6	Tan scrapbook with a cartoonish depictions of teens participating in activities such as sports, dancing, going for a drive, and talking on the phone. The newspaper clippings capture weddings and engagements, as well as school-related activities and pageants.	
	Scrapbook #7	Red scrapbook with embossed design on cover. Newspaper clippings capture school-related events and beauty pageants.	
	Scrapbook #8	Red scrapbook with embossed design on cover. Newspaper clippings capture weddings in the valley or involving people from the valley.	

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<sup>2</sup>Due to the covers appearing to have mold on the edges, these were discarded and the pages themselves examined and kept in their original order.