

Anita Wood manuscript on Mabel Cyr Plourde

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SUMMARY INFORMATION

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Biographical information:

Mabel Cyr Plourde was born in Stockholm, Maine on May 30, 1910, the daughter of Eloi and Alice Caron Cyr. When she was three months old, her family moved to a farm in St. Anne, New Brunswick, Canada, where she lived for 17 years. Her father, Eloi Cyr, was a lumberman for Fraser Company, as well as a farmer. She married Rene Pelletier on October 24, 1927 in St. Anne. They moved to Pelletier's farm on Blake Lake in Maine. Their first of six children was born in 1931. In 1953, Mabel and Rene moved their family to South Perley Brook Road in Fort Kent, Maine. Rene died on October 26, 1956 in an automobile accident. After the death of her husband, Mabel supported the family by selling butter and eggs. On June 24, 1967, she married Albert Plourde, a railroad supervisor for the Bangor and Aroostook railroad. They moved to Stockholm, Maine. Mabel worked first for the Potato Service in Presque Isle and then in a local shoe factory. Albert died in December 1971. After his death, she worked as a housekeeper for Father St. Pierre in Caribou. After nine years, Mabel returned to Fort Kent; in 1971, she began a position in the housekeeping department at the Fort Kent Hospital. She also worked at Princess Kent, as well as for St. Louis Church. After suffering a heart attack in 1978, Mabel stopped working. Mabel Plourde died on November 9, 1994, in Fort Kent.

No biographical information for Anita Wood is available.

Scope and Content Note:

This collection consists of a 38-page manuscript on the life of Mabel Cyr Plourde, including her family history and daily farm life descriptions. The report is very detailed in its descriptions, including the physical space of the school the children attended. This material was submitted for a course at the University of Maine at Fort Kent in Spring 1981.

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Order and Arrangement: 1 38-page manuscript.