

## **JOHNSON AND CLINE PAPERS**

### **ARLIEN JOHNSON AND MILDRED CLINE PAPERS**

- Provenance:** The Johnson and Cline Papers was a gift to the Reed Library from the estate of Mildred Cline.
- Ownership:** The Reed College Library owns the Johnson and Cline Papers.
- Access:** Please consult the Special Collections Librarian at Reed College Library.
- Size:** The collection consists of 7 manuscript boxes, or 3.5 linear feet.
- Processed by:** Mark Kuestner
- Date:** July, 2009

### **Biographies**

Arlie G. Johnson was born in Portland, Oregon, sister of Mildred A. Cline. She received her bachelor's degree from Reed College in 1917, an M.A. degree from Columbia University in 1923 and a Ph.D. degree in social service administration from the University of Chicago in 1930. Her experience in social work practice began with service at the Hudson Guild Settlement House in New York City's Hell's Kitchen in 1919.

She was a national leader in the field of social work and dean emeritus of the School of Social Work, University of Southern California. Her list of publications spanned half a century and included such monographs as *Public Policy and Private Charities* among others.

Johnson received many honors and awards, including an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters from Reed College in 1977. The School of Social Work Library at the University of Southern California was named for her in 1972. She received the Los Angeles Times Silver Cup Award to Women of the Year for Outstanding Achievement, 1952.

Arlie Johnson died in Portland, Oregon, on March 24, 1988.

Mildred A. Cline was born January 13, 1910, in Portland, Oregon. She earned a bachelor's degree from Reed College in 1932, a master's degree in government from New York University and a graduate degree in library science from the University of Wisconsin.

From 1935 to 1958, she worked as a librarian for the Library Association of Portland, later called Multnomah County Library, and then worked five years at the California State University in

Northridge. In 1964 she moved to Salem and worked at the Oregon State Library. She returned to Portland in 1968, to work for the Multnomah County Library until she retired in 1974.

In retirement, Mildred volunteered for the League of Women Voters, gardened and participated in Reed-sponsored events on campus. She and her sister, Arlien Johnson, lived together in later years. Mildred Cline died January 6, 2000, in Portland, Oregon.

## **Scope and Content**

The Johnson and Cline Papers contain primarily photographs of the sisters' lives and travel, correspondence, diplomas and scholastic awards, and ephemeral papers.

## **Box Index**

### **BOX 1: Cline, Mildred Documents I**

- 1:1: Miscellaneous Documents, Mildred's Book  
Short Manuscript
- 1:2: Before 1910  
Packet
- 1:3: 1910-  
Packet
- 1:4: Miscellaneous Cline Photos and Pertaining Documents I  
Letters and e-mails (4 pieces)  
Photos (16 pieces)
- 1:5: Miscellaneous Cline Photos and Pertaining Documents II  
Packets (22 pieces)

### **BOX 2: Cline, Mildred Documents II**

- 2:1: Slides  
Boxes of slides (3)
- 2:2: Oregon Historical Society Documents  
Packet of pamphlets
- 2:3: Eliot Society Gift  
Placard

### **BOX 3: Cline, Mildred Documents III**

- 3:1: Diplomas and Scholastic Records I  
Diplomas, record slips (10 pieces)

- NYU Bulletin book 1941-1942
- 3:2: Diplomas and Scholastic Records II  
1924 Hawthorne Grammar School Graduation Class Photo  
NYU Diploma (in tube)
- 3:3: Cline Travel Photos  
Packets (20 pieces):  
Amalfi  
England, 1954  
Florence "5"  
France "8"  
Grand Canyon, 1955  
Italy, 1954  
London I  
London II  
Merano "7"  
Naples  
Negatives  
Oxford, Windsor  
Perugia  
Pompeii  
Rainna  
Riva  
Rome  
Salisbury England  
Siena  
Venice "6"

#### **BOX 4: Cline and Johnson Photos**

- 4:1: Miscellaneous Johnson and Cline Photos I  
Packets (4 pieces)  
Loose Photos (32 pieces)
- 4:2: Miscellaneous Johnson and Cline Photos II  
Loose Photos (69 pieces)

#### **BOX 5: Cline and Johnson Photobooks I**

- Photobooks, 4 parts:  
1910-1930s I  
1910-1930s II  
Crater Lake, Fort Klamath (souvenir photos © Miller Photo Co. 1913)  
Johnson Family

## **BOX 6: Cline and Johnson Photobooks II**

Photobooks, 10 pieces

Los Angeles, August 1940, Book I

Los Angeles, August 1940, Book II

Lucky's (Dachshund) birthday party, June 1964, Grenada Hills, CA

Meadowdale (with accompanying poem)

Miss Nell Gwynn and her friends, Seattle 1939

Salem 1964-65

Salem 1966

Seattle 1930-36

Seattle 1936-39

Snapshots: at the beach and at home late 40s-50s

## **BOX 7: Johnson, Arlien Documents**

7:1: Johnson letters to Clara, Miscellaneous Documents

Packet of letters, 1 piece

Document, "Crossing the plains" as told by Mary E. Watson

Reed Annual Fund envelope

Note regarding Mr. and Mrs. Cline's deaths

Christmas Greeting card addressed from Cline, Johnson, and Lucky the Dachshund

Diary Page, torn, June 1913

Johnson English assignment, grade 12

Letter from Cline to Johnson on Portland, New York, and Library work

Article about Johnson in *Southern California Alumni Review*, March 1951 under Faculty:

"Social work field is 'shortage profession' by Claire Margaret Morris '36, pp.5-7.

7:2: Miscellaneous Johnson Photos I

Photos (52 pieces)

7:3: Johnson Bible

Bible (gift) with note