

Collection: Burns/Gelsinger
Photograph Collection

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Finding Aid

Date Range: circa 1917-1965

Bulk Date: 1940s-1960s

Creator: Dorothy Gelsinger

Storage Location: PCHS Library and Archives

Aid Created By: Heather Cunningham, Curator

Biographical Note:

This collection was relates to Dorothy Gelsinger and her family. The Gelsingers were a Paterson family and Dorothy was an only child. Dorothy Gelsinger worked for Metropolitan Life for most of her life.

Dorothy's father, George Gelsinger served in WWI, and rose to the position of Sergeant of the Camp Johnston, Florida Company Regiment. See accompanying paperwork.

Scope Note and Content:

This collection consists primarily of family photographs. Many of the photographs are portraits of Dorothy herself, at various ages. The majority of these photographs are black and white, with a few in sepia or color. Besides family photographs, there are a few photographs of sports celebrities, boxers and ice skaters. It is unclear if the photographs were taking while these people were visiting the Paterson area.

Along with the photographs are some photocopies related to George Gelsinger's service in the military. Two museum items are also associated with this archival collection.