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SANDY AND ROBERT GODSEY PAPERS
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HISTORY

Sandy Champion and Robert Godsey were concessioner employees for the Yellowstone Park Company, working in the Canyon area in Yellowstone National Park. In more recent years, Robert conducted considerable research on the music in Yellowstone National Park, publishing several booklets on music and on Canyon Lodge, and compiling the recordings of Marty Gorder. The couple have also been active in the former park employee community and have helped coordinate several reunions.

DESCRIPTION

The collection consists of a reminiscence and photographs documenting the Godsey's time as concessioner employees at Yellowstone National Park as well as a more recent reunion of former concessioner employees. There are black and white photographic prints from 1950 showing an event known as "Savage Day" (a term used at the time by and for the concessioner employees), which included a parade and an evening talent or variety show. The reminiscence from 2001 includes physical descriptions of Canyon Lodge in 1950 as well as stories of activities. There are also digital photographs of a more recent reunion of concessioner employees in 2014. These images include many group photographs and reunion activities.

PROVENANCE

Gift of Sandy C. and Robert C. Godsey, 2014.

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