



Purcell Family Photographs (SP0044)

Collection Number: SP0044

Collection Title: Purcell Family Photographs

Dates: 1903-1951

Creator: Purcell, Fred Everett, 1883-1963

Abstract: The Purcell Family Photographs collection contains photographs of the Purcell family and the Bois D'Arc, Missouri area. The photographs were taken between 1903 and 1951. It includes photographs of the Fairview school, which was a one-room schoolhouse in Pierce City, Missouri, which the Purcell children attended. The Purcell children are portrayed from childhood to adulthood.

Collection Size: 0.25 cubic foot
(6 folders, 33 photographs)

Language: Collection materials are in English.

Repository: The State Historical Society of Missouri

Restrictions on Access: Collection is open for research. This collection is available at [The State Historical Society of Missouri Research Center-Springfield](#). If you would like more information, please contact us at springfield@shsmo.org. Collections may be viewed at any research center.

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Biographical Note:

Fred “Everett” Purcell was born March 4, 1883, the son of John Purcell and Narrissa Ernestine Fine. He was the fifth of eight children and married Etta West on July 19, 1903. They had five children: Geneva, Robert, Madge, Glenn and Lillian. Etta Purcell passed away in 1915, and Everett married Pearl Clayton with whom he had six children: Gladys, Harold, Clifford, Lorene, William, and Lena May. Fred and Pearl settled in Los Angeles, California, where she passed away in 1937. He died in Santa Ana, California, on May 11, 1963 and was buried in Fairhaven Memorial Park in Santa Ana.

Arrangement:

This collection is arranged into six folders. Photographs of a similar period were kept together. Since most photographs are undated, true chronological order was not possible.

Scope and Content Note:

The collection contains photographs of the Purcell family and the Bois D'Arc, Missouri area and were taken between 1903 and 1951. It includes photographs of the Fairview school, which was a one-room schoolhouse in Pierce City, Missouri which the Purcell children attended. There are also photographs of the Bois d'Arc School in Bois d'Arc, Missouri. The majority of the photographs feature the Purcell children during their childhood, though there are a few photographs featuring them in adulthood.

Container List:

Box 001	f. 1	Everett and Etta Purcell marriage license, 1903
	f. 2	Fairview school, 1916
	f. 3	Bois D'Arc school, 1928
	f. 4-5	Family photographs, 1903-1951
	f. 6	West family grave photograph, no date

Index:

Index Term	Folder	Image
Bois d'Arc School (Bois d'Arc, Mo.)	3	Yes
Fairview School (Pierce City, Mo.)	2	Yes
Purcell, Etta West, 1886-1915	1-6	Yes
Purcell, Fred Everett, 1883-1963	1-5	Yes
Purcell, Geneva, 1904-	2-5	Yes
Purcell, Glenn, 1911-	2-5	Yes
Purcell, Lillian, 1912-	2-5	Yes

Index Term	Folder	Image
Purcell, Madge, 1908-	2-5	Yes
Purcell, Robert, 1906-	2-5	Yes