DESCRIPTION

This collection contains some manuscript material: “From Fred T. Colter,” by Sidney Kartus; and “Flagstaff’s Newspaper History” and “Roses for Remembrance,” about the Pioneer Women’s Rose Garden in Prescott, by Velma Rudd Hoffman. The majority of the material is correspondence to and from the Arizona Historical Society from 1945-1965, mostly pertaining to history and activity in Northern Arizona.

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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Velma Rudd Hoffman was born in Flagstaff. From 1927 to 1933 she lived in Long Beach, California, where she attended high school and business college. She married William Lockyer in 1931 and they had a daughter, Marilyn. They moved to Winslow, Arizona and divorced in 1934. She returned to Hollywood, California and became a secretary and writer from 1936-1938. In 1939 she married Dale Hoffman and they had two children, Linda and Richard. They divorced in 1946. From 1946-1948 she worked as a bookkeeper in Holbrook, Arizona. She then moved to Flagstaff, where she worked as a clerk and tried several times, unsuccessfully, to run for local office. She was a founder and charter member of the Northern Arizona Pioneer’s Historical Society in 1954.

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