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DALTON T. CLARKE RESIDENCE PHOTOGRAPHS, 1918–1952

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION:	1 folder of photographs
COLLECTION DATES:	1918–1952
PROVENANCE:	Floyd and Madeline Heaton
RESTRICTIONS:	None
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ALTERNATE FORMATS:	None
RELATED HOLDINGS:	None
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NOTES:	

HISTORICAL SKETCH

Over the years several different families have occupied the residence at 6017 Indianola Avenue in Indianapolis, Indiana. One photograph was used to identify the location of this home. On the verso of the photograph captioned “July 1952” is the street address “6017 Indianola Ave.” This address places the house on the southern edge of the Broad Ripple area. According to the 1952 Indianapolis city directory, Laurence E. Bowen resided there at that time.

The caption for another photograph in the collection reads (in part), “Five Clarke children.” The Indianapolis City directories indicate that Dalton T. Clarke lived there from 1923 through 1929. A caption on another of the photographs suggests that the Clarks moved into the house around Thanksgiving, 1918, but the city directories cannot confirm that date. The city directories preceding 1923 do not cover Indianola Avenue in Indianapolis. For many years this house was the only house on that block.

The house remained vacant during 1930 and 1931. Eugene Kirlin occupied the house in 1932. Daniel J. Young lived at 6011 and later 6017 Indianola Ave from 1933 until 1941. Bowen then occupied the house in 1942. The donors, Floyd and Madeline Heaton, lived in the house from the 1970s to the late 1980s and acquired the photographs during their stay.

Sources:

Polk's Indianapolis Directory. Indianapolis, Ind.: R. L. Polk and Co., 1918–1952. General Collection: F534 .I55 A18.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

Fifteen photographs depict the house at 6017 Indianola Avenue, Indianapolis, and its environs from 1918 through July 1952. The images illustrate three distinct phases of the house's construction history. The photographs show its transformation from a simple wood-frame house to a picturesque bungalow. Some of the photographs include people, probably the Clarks.

Several of the photographs have captions written in red ink; others have captions (barely visible) written in pencil across the top of the photographs. The two different captions on one image conflict but the penciled caption appears to be more accurate. The contents list in the collection guide provides the captions for each image. Not all images have captions.

I.H.S. made copy negatives of each of the three album pages. A contact sheet made from these negatives is stored with the collection. The photographer set the loose photograph on Leaf 1, side B to include the image in the copy negative; it was not previously attached to the page. The negative numbers for each leaf are listed in the contents section.

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Loose photograph: [copy negative C1629]
“1926” [red ink]

Leaf 1, Side A: 5 photographs [Copy negative C1628]

Top photograph: “1918” [red ink]; “We moved in about Thanksgiving.”

Middle row, left: “1922” [red ink]; “Five Clarke children. This pix won a prize.”

Bottom row, right: “Another year” [same image as Leaf 1, Side B, bottom right with caption “1919” in red ink.]

Leaf 1, Side B: 4 photographs [Copy negative C1629]

Top left: “About 1928 1926” [red ink]

Top center: “First Winter / About 1918” [red ink]
“From across road.”

Bottom center: “About 1923” [red ink]

Bottom right: “1919” [red ink] [see also Leaf 1, Side A, bottom right].

Leaf 2: 5 photographs

[Copy negatives C1627 and 2541]

Top left: two children, “1919” [red ink], “See trees planted side yard looking north.”

Top right: “1927?” [red ink]

Bottom left: “1927?” [red ink]

Bottom center: “1927?” [red ink], “About 1939 or 40.”

Bottom right: “July 1952” [red ink], on verso “6017 Indianola Ave.”

Contact sheet made from copy negative numbers;
C1627, C1628, C1629

CONTAINER

Photographs, Folder 1

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1. Go to the Indiana Historical Society's online catalog:
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2. Click on the "Basic Search" icon.
3. Select "Call Number" from the "Search In:" box.
4. Search for the collection by its basic call number (in this case, P 0038).
5. When you find the collection, go to the "Full Record" screen for a list of headings that can be searched for related materials.