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**MONCE FAMILY
PHOTOGRAPH ALBUM, CA. 1900-1930S**

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

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**COLLECTION
DATES:** ca. 1900-1930s

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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Harry Monce (December 13, 1874-November 6, 1958) was born in Knightsville, Indiana to James and Laura Elliott Monce. He was one of eight children born to the Monce family. Harry served in the Spanish American War, and in civilian life he worked as a railroad mail clerk. Harry was married to Gertie Howard (June 1, 1879-November 8, 1979), the daughter of Lee Grand and Mary Roberts Howard of Staunton, Indiana. The couple settled in Brazil, Indiana and had one child, Harold Monce.

Clarence Monce (July 1, 1895-July 3, 1967) was the son of Harry's older brother Oscar and his wife Julia Mann. Clarence was born in Martinsville, Indiana and was one of four children. Clarence also worked for the railroads as a fireman and an engineer. He married Francis A. Vanes (February 2, 1897-April 13, 1986) in 1920. The couple settled in Terre Haute, Indiana and had a daughter, Julia.

Sources:

Ancestrylibrary.com

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

Most of the photographs in this album are unidentified, but it could be assumed that the album was kept by Gertie Monce. There are three photographs in the album that are identified by name- a portrait of Harry Monce, his nephew Clarence and Gertie's uncle on her mother's side, [Hawkes Roberts Smith?] of Staunton, Indiana. Harry Monce also appears in a group portrait in the album labeled "Mail Clerks", as he worked as a mail clerk for the railroad, specifically the Pittsburgh & St. Louis line. Additionally, there is one snapshot that seems to be taken leaning out the window of the "Old Number 11" train and one that is an interior shot of workers on a train. Otherwise, the album contains unidentified portraits as well as snapshots that show images of farming, hunting, fishing, swimming, and family reunions.

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CONTAINER

PAA Album Storage