OMER L. MCINTIRE COLLECTION
CA. 1911

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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Omer L. McIntire was born in Kosciusko County (either Claypool or Sevastopol), Indiana, on 18 May 1905 to Schuyler McIntire, a farmer, and his wife Nora Barrett McIntire.

At the time of the 1910 census, the McIntire family lived in Seward Township of Kosciusko County. The household consisted of Omer and his parents, Omer's older siblings, Floyd and Cloe, and Schuyler's parents, Jacob and Anna McIntire. In 1920, the family lived in the Harrison Township of Kosciusko County, and the household consisted of Schuyler and Nora, Omer, older sister Cloe, and younger sister Aletha. Sometime between the 1910 and 1920 censuses, the McIntire family may have lived in or near La Paz, in Marshall County, Indiana, because there is evidence that Omer attended the La Paz public school around 1911.

By 1930, Omer had married Goldie McKesson and the couple had two children, Betty and Donald. They lived in Plymouth, Marshall County, Indiana, and Omer worked in a basket factory. By 1940, Omer and Goldie had had five more children: Wilma, Barbara, Wanda, William, and Danny. The family had moved to Mishawaka, in St. Joseph County, Indiana, and Omer's widowed father was living with them. Omer was working as a tractor-trailer driver for a long haul trucking company. Though not listed in the 1940 census, it appears that the family had another daughter, Maude, born in 1936. Another daughter, Judith, was born later, in 1944.

Omer McIntire retired as a dispatcher for a trucking company in Mishawaka. He died of lung cancer on 18 November 1971 in Memorial Hospital in South Bend. He was buried in Morris Cemetery in Marshall County, near the town of La Paz.

Sources:
Butler, Wanda. Personal correspondence from the donor, daughter of Omer L. McIntire, 23 October 1996.
Items in the collection.
SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

This collection consists of two items pertaining to Omer L. McIntire's attendance at school, ca. 1911. One is a copy photograph of students and a teacher standing outside a school building, likely in La Paz, Indiana. The other item is a photocopy of a souvenir booklet from La Paz Public School, district no. 6, North Township, Marshall County.

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<td>Black-and-white copy photograph of forty-six boys and girls of various ages and a female teacher, posed on the steps outside a brick school building [ca. 1911]. Omer L. McIntire is identified as being in the second row from the bottom, second from left.</td>
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<td>Photocopy of a little souvenir booklet from La Paz Public School, district no. 6, North Township, Marshall County, Indiana [ca. 1911]. Lottie Logan is listed as the teacher, for Room C. Booklet contains poems and lists of first- and second-grade pupils. <strong>First grade students:</strong> George Whiteman, Omer McIntire, Noah Stoup, Levi Arnold, Darrell Muffley, Kenneth Stuckey, Cleo Berger, Lois Miller, Wayne Holland, Oscar Sherland, Donald Muffley, Virgil Baker, Cecil Houser, Russell Winget, Ruth Harbaugh, Bernice Harbaugh, Harold Holland, Joseph Kanaar, Ernest Baker, Helen Kanaar, Lottie Redman, Clayton Albert, Lillian Thomas, Edward Frushour, Helen Miller. <strong>Second grade students:</strong> Glen Yost, Delmer Carothers, Fay Winget, Merrel Wisler, Glen Ferguson, Francis Whiteleather, Curtis Holland, Doris McChesney, Jennie Strang, Wilferd Mummy, Kenneth Logan, Otho Smith, Hilda Strang, Homer Redman, Raymond Mattern, Walter Kaiser, Russell Albert, John Swartz, Anna Sherland, Evelyn Swille, Fern Holland, Howard Wisler, Irene Seltenright, Hilda Leed, Robert Shirk.</td>
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