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Summary

Title: Bergeron Collection

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Creator: Carolyn Joyce (Johnson) Bergeron (1939-2017)

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Abstract

The manuscript collection of Carolyn Bergeron provides a wealth of information for anyone connected to her family tree. Following in her father's footsteps, Carolyn spent years corresponding with researchers across the country before records were available online. This correspondence contains information found in visits to local courthouses and churches, including birth, marriage, and death records, land deeds, and probate records. There are timelines for some of her searches. In addition, there are Bible transcripts and personal recollections of people since deceased. The correspondence and records are organized in surname groups, accompanied by family group sheets and pedigree charts. Carolyn also created manuscripts that contain biographical sketches, with many photos, personal letters dating as far back as the 1920s, and original documents.

The most common surnames in the collection are Bergeron, Hadley, Jaques, Johnson, Landry, Mudge, Osburn, Thayer, Thompson, and Wanner. The Bergeron side of the tree comes from Canada. The Johnson side has roots in Pennsylvania, Kentucky, North Carolina, Missouri, and Oregon.

Administrative Information

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Biographical Note

Carolyn (Johnson) Bergeron was born on 27 October 1939 in Portland, Multnomah County, Oregon. Her parents were Cletus and Ruthe (Wanner) Johnson. She was a member of the first graduating class of Wilson High School (1957) and attended Oregon Agricultural College—now Oregon State University. She married Leonard Bergeron on 7 February 1959. They raised three children.

Carolyn was well known at the Genealogical Forum of Oregon, where she helped start the German Interest Group, performed clerical tasks, and transcribed Bible records. Her collection reflects her tenacity in searching for records and connecting with other family researchers. Carolyn died on 15 April 2017 in Portland.

Finding Aid

Box #	File #	Description	Surnames	Locations	Pages
1	1	Correspondence	Thompson	Montgomery County, Kentucky	5
1	2	Correspondence, research notes, family group sheets	Thompson, Hedges, McClain	Kentucky	19
1	3	Correspondence, family group sheets	Osburn	Kentucky	9
1	4	Correspondence	Thompson	Kentucky, Indiana	37
1	5	Correspondence	Thompson	Indiana	1
1	6	Correspondence	Osburn, Osborne, Hill	Kentucky	6
1	7	Family group sheets	Pusey, Bowater	England, Pennsylvania	5
1	8	Correspondence	Thompson	Kentucky, Missouri	36
1	9	Family group sheets, will of William Thompson, descendant chart for John Thompson, correspondence, court records	Thompson, Johnson	Virginia, Kentucky	18
1	10	Correspondence, pedigree charts	Hadley, Holliday	Iowa, North Carolina	10
1	11	Chart: "Predecessors of Edith Haydock Johnson	Haydock, Whitfield, Dixon	Ireland, North Carolina	41
1	12	Descendant chart for John Haydock, of Stangmore	Haydock, Haddock, Whitfield, Dixon	Ireland, North Carolina	44
1	13	Manuscript: <i>A Place to Begin: Researching the Virginia and Aberdeen Johns(t)ons</i> by Douglas Tucker	Johnson, Johnston	Virginia	42

1	14	Manuscript: <i>A Place to Begin: Researching the Virginia and Aberdeen Johns(t)ons</i> by Douglas Tucker	Johnson, Johnston	Virginia	40
1	15	Descendant chart for Greenville Irvin Thompson, correspondence, notes from 1908 to Maude Lough, photos	Thompson, McClain, Strain, Lough	Kentucky, Missouri, Nebraska	40
1	16	Correspondence	Thompson	Kentucky, Missouri, Texas	15
1	17	Family group sheet	Swift, Sisson	England, Massachusetts	1
1	18	Pedigree charts	Johnson, Hadley, Woody, Elmore, Ellyson, Hutchins, Cox, Ladd, Crew, Haydock, Dixon	Virginia, Iowa	21
1	19	Pedigree charts	Maverick, Gye, Dowrish, Catsby, Stewkley, Wood, and associated families	England	6
1	20	Correspondence, descendant chart for Daniel Pursell and Margaret Smith	Pursell, Purcell, Smith, and associated families	Virginia, Kentucky	13
1	21	Research notes, correspondence	Ferguson	New York, Ohio	15
1	22	Correspondence, research notes	Ferguson, Cole, Gilman	New York, Ohio, Canada	34
1	23	Family group sheet	Ferguson	New York, Vermont	1
1	24	Correspondence, research notes	Stark, Ferguson	Vermont, New York	22
1	25	Research notes, correspondence, family group sheets	Thompson, McLain, Outs, Cox, Neer	Kentucky, Missouri	95
1	26	Family group sheets	Thompson, McLain, Roberts, Stowe, Rice	Kentucky, Kansas, Missouri, Oregon	11
1	27	Pedigree chart	Hopkins, Coles	New York	1
1	28	Family group sheet	Terry, Howell	New York	5
1	29	Family group sheets, research notes, correspondence	McLain, Oakley, White Thompson	Kentucky, Missouri, Oregon	59
1	30	Family group sheets	McLain, Dahley, Cox, Newland	Kentucky, Oregon	6

1	31	Correspondence, family group sheets	Johnson, Ratcliff	North Carolina, Texas, Kansas, Oklahoma, Washington	20
1	32	Ephemera			5
1	33	Correspondence, photo of tombstones, descendant chart for Benjamin Haydock; family group sheet and copies of photos of William Thomas Jefferson Cooper and Alice Ann Sellers	Haydock, Cooper, Sellers	Ireland, North Carolina; Illinois, Indiana	9
1	34	Family group sheet	Parke	Ireland	4
1	35	Family group sheets, copies of paintings of Isaac Jaques and Jane Jones Jaques, correspondence	Jaques, Jones, De Camp, Krautter, Allen	New Jersey, Oklahoma, Massachusetts, New York	17
1	36	Family group sheets	Langston, Smith, Smalley, Meek	Arkansas	4
1	37	Family group sheets	Langston, Camp	Virginia, Arkansas, Georgia	3
1	38	Pedigree chart, research notes, correspondence	Jaques, Mudge	Illinois, New York	11
1	39	Correspondence	Jaques, Jakeway	New York	6
1	40	Family group sheets	Jaques, Jacks, Woodward	New York, Illinois	4
1	41	Autograph book belonging to Nannie E. Osburn- early 1900s	Osburn	Kansas	18
1	42	Descendant chart for Thomas Butler 1713	Butler, Tipton	Tennessee, Ohio,	16
1	43	Family group sheet for John Swallow (1748-1831)	Swallow	Ohio	1
1	44	Family group sheets, correspondence	Smalley, Langston, Cook, Meek	Texas, Oregon, Tennessee, Kentucky	16
1	45	Mudge family photos, correspondence, research notes, family group sheets, pedigree charts	Mudge, Jaques, Butler, Meeker, Webb, Osborn, Davis, Symmes	Ohio, Iowa, Oregon, West Virginia	38
1	46	Mudge family photos	Mudge		2
1	47	Correspondence	Osburn, Berry, Shintaffer		47

1	48	Correspondence, research notes with land records	Thompson, Crank, Bristow	Kansas, Kentucky, Missouri	13
1	49	Correspondence, research notes, family group sheets, transcript of will of Daniel Purcell	Osburn, Smith, Purcell, Pursly, Lucas, Bennett	Kentucky, Virginia	14
1	50	Correspondence, descendant chart for Thomas Osborne of England	Osborne, Claypool	New Jersey, Virginia	28
1	51	Research notes	Osborne, King, Gradu	Texas, North Carolina	32
1	52	Family group sheets, correspondence	Osburn, Paisley, Lewis, Gray, Dougherty	Indiana, Kentucky, Illinois, Iowa	18
1	53	Correspondence	Osborne, Osburn, Claypoole	England	5
1	54	Family group sheets	Dixon, Jones, Gregg, Haydock, Pursey	Ireland, Delaware, North Carolina	15
1	55	Family group sheets	Gregg	Ireland	3
1	56	Correspondence, family group sheets	Baranyay, Suden, Evans, Ervin	Hungary, Oregon	14
1	57	Family group sheet	Carson, Barrett	Minnesota	1
1	58	Family group sheets, pedigree charts	Bergeron, Landry, Jaques, Mudge, Osburn, Smalley	Quebec, New York, Kansas, Iowa	25
1	59	Correspondence, descendants of Samuel Bennett Langston, biographical sketch	Langston, Smith	Kentucky, Arkansas	15
1	60	Descendants of Jeremiah Osburn, correspondence, biographical sketches	Osburn, Day, Purrington, Claypool	England, Virginia, Ohio, North Carolina, Kentucky	24
1	61	Correspondence, notes from family interviews, family group sheets, Ahnentafel charts for Leonard John Bergeron and Flore Landry, pedigree charts	Ledoux, Bergeron, Noen, Cote, Landry, Jannell	Quebec, Massachusetts, North Dakota, Washington	48
1	62	Research notes	Mudge, Thompson	Nebraska, New York	29
1	63	Correspondence	Parker, Mudge, Wisner, Duncan, Ferguson, Jacques, Woodward	New York	24

1	64	Research notes, biographical sketch of Stephen Osburn b. 1851 in Iowa	Osburn, Schintaffer	Kansas, Indiana, Iowa	39
1	65	Correspondence	Barrett		3
1	66	Family group sheets, correspondence	Barrett, Geddardy, Carson	Ireland, Minnesota, Alberta, Canada	23
1	67	Copies of photos of Barrett family, family group sheets	Barrett, Thayer, Lindley, Ronsley, Rawnsley	Missouri, North Carolina	16
1	68	Correspondence, research notes	Wisner, Smith	New York	4
1	69	Correspondence, census notes	Osburn, Osborne	Virginia, Kansas, Kentucky	33
1	70	Research notes, correspondence	Osburn, Alkire, Cartmell	Indiana, Illinois	70
1	71	Correspondence	Osborn, Osborne, Osburn, Parsley, Shintaffer	Indiana, North Carolina	28
1	72	Correspondence, MtDNA information	Palmer, Osburn, Bergeron		5
1	73	Copy of birth delayed birth certificate	Wanner, Osburn	British Columbia	2
1	74	Estate records, family group sheets, newspaper notices, biographical sketches, copies of death certificates	Kelsey, Shintaffer, Straton, Bruce, Faust	Iowa, Oregon	67
1	75	Correspondence, biographical sketches, family group sheets	Wanner, Knoblock	Switzerland, Kansas, Pennsylvania	57
1	76	Research notes, family group sheets	Claypool, Osburn, Osborn	West Virginia, Virginia	17
1	77	Correspondence	Osburn, Wanner		8
1	78	Family group sheets, correspondence, research notes	Wanner, Osburn	Kansas, Oregon	12
1	79	Correspondence, research notes	Thompson, Massie, McLain	Kentucky, Missouri	18
1	80	Copies of Bible records	Osburn, Phillips, Jones		9
1	81	Correspondence, group photo	Osburn, Jones		4
1	82	Family group sheets, pedigree charts, notes	Thayer, Greene, Macht	England, Massachusetts, Oregon	22

1	83	Descendants of Thomas Thayer and Margery Wheeler, Thayer Families Association information	Thayer, Wheeler	Massachusetts	20
1	84	Query, family group sheets, correspondence, research notes	Thayer, Leper	New York, Missouri, Iowa, Illinois	20
1	85	Family group sheets	Leeper, Heidtbrink, Thayer	Nebraska, Kansas, New York	4
1	86	Correspondence	Thompson	Missouri	9
1	87	Correspondence, research notes, family group sheets	McLain, Thompson	Missouri, Kentucky	11
1	88	Pedigree chart, research notes	Wisner, Woodward	New York	4
1	89	Family group sheets	Woodward, Wisner	New York	6
1	90	Correspondence, pedigree charts	Woodward, Curtis, Jacques	New York, Massachusetts	20
1	91	Family group sheets	Wisner, Wiggins, Dumbaugh	New York, Switzerland	8
1	92	Correspondence	Osburn, Canny, Wanner	Kansas	5
1	93	Correspondence, descendants of John Knoblock, Sr. (b. 1818)	Knoblock, Broell	Germany, Pennsylvania, New York	12
1	94	Family charts, newsletter	Perry, Ferguson, Burgess	Massachusetts	13
1	95	Correspondence	Osburn, Osborn, Janssen, Butler	West Virginia, Kentucky	10
1	96	Research notes	Ferguson, Wright	Georgia, New York, Vermont	3
1	97	Family group sheets with notes	Vincent, Dix	New York	17
1	98	Correspondence, family charts	Osburn, Lodge, Ensley, Layne, May, Shintaffer	Virginia, Missouri	58
1	99	Correspondence, pedigree charts, copies of photos	Shintaffer, Butler, Lilly, Webb, Hennigan, Kennedy, Kelsey	Germany, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Kansas	64
1	100	Correspondence	Shintaffer, Smith	Ohio	7
1	101	Correspondence	Shintaffer, Smith		10
1	102	Correspondence, family group sheets	Meek, Osburn, Mulanax	West Virginia, Oregon	10
1	103	Correspondence, family group sheets	Shintaffer, Anrys, Meeker	Oregon, Iowa	11
1	104	Correspondence	Shintaffer	Kansas	12

1	105	Correspondence	Thompson		3
1	106	Correspondence	Osburn	Virginia, Ohio	8
1	107	Correspondence	Shintaffer, Butler, Soesbe	Iowa, Virginia, Indiana, Ohio, West Virginia	51
1	108	Correspondence	Shintaffer, Thompson		1
1	109	Research notes, correspondence	Schintaffer, Soesbe, Butler	Indiana, Iowa, Washington	11
1	110	Correspondence	Osburn		1
1	111	Correspondence	Shintaffer, Schoendarfer, Thompson		6
1	112	Correspondence	Shintaffer, Farley	Oregon, Washington	13
1	113	Correspondence, family group sheets	Blachly, Barthlomew, Shintaffer, Butler	Indiana, California, Oregon	18
1	114	Correspondence, pedigree chart	Shintaffer, Kelsey, Williams, Malcom	Indiana, Virginia, Idaho	51
1	115	Correspondence	Bruce		8
1	116	Family group sheet	Peters, Gooder, Knoblock	Pennsylvania	2
2	1	Family group sheets with biographical sketches and copies of photos	Hadley, Lindley, Clayton, Bezer, Holaday	Ireland, North Carolina, Pennsylvania	90
2	2	Family group sheets with biographical sketches, photos	Thompson, McLain, Johnson, Rice, Rose	Kentucky, Kansas, Missouri, Oregon	25
2	3	Family group sheets with notes, photos	Bergeron, Dumay, Dumets	Quebec	39
2	4	Report - Descendants of Stephen Osburn and Charlotte Shintaffer, photos	Osburn, Shintaffer		67
2	5	Family group sheets, correspondence, Bible records, photos	Osburn, Jackman, Allstott, Alkire, Gray, Denton, Benson, Smith	Kentucky, Indiana, Iowa	79
2	6	Correspondence, family group sheets	Bergeron, Ledoux	Quebec, Alberta, Massachusetts, North Dakota	23
2	7	Descendants of William Mudge (b. 1781), family group sheets, photos	Mudge, Averill, Coffin, Ferguson, Thompson	England, Vermont, New York, Nebraska	42

2	8	Family group sheets	Lavery, Myers, Bobbins	Pennsylvania, Ohio, Oregon	4
2	9	Research notes, correspondence	Shintaffer, Scheidorfer, Hiderffer, Schenediffer, Schuderfer, Rodman	Pennsylvania	13
2	10	Research notes, correspondence, family group sheets	Langston, Persons, Washan	Arkansas, South Carolina	46
2	11	Family group sheets, pedigree charts	Haydock, Johnson, Hadley, Maris, Dixon, Hutchins, Massie, Cooper	North Carolina, Iowa, England	31
2	12	Report "Descendants of Archelous Johnson and Mary Hutchins," photos	Johnson, Hutchins, Johnson, Hadley	North Carolina, Ohio, Indiana, Iowa	67
2	13	Photos	Barger, Hurlburt	Kansas	10
2	14	Pedigree charts, Descendants of Orman H. Jaques (b. 1820) and Rachel Woodward	Woodward, Martin, Wisner, Brouwer, Ferguson, Perry, Jaques, Hutchinson, Trask, Mudge	New York, New Jersey, Massachusetts	43
2	15	Pedigree charts	Mudge, Thompson, Ferguson, Perry, Woodward	New York, Kansas	19
2	16	Family group sheets	Archambault, Tourault, Badeau, Boucher, Chalifou, Cusson, Guyon, Levasseur, LeDoux, Bergeron	France, Quebec	67
2	17	Marriage announcement, 50th anniversary stories for Bill and Nancy	Osburn, Jones	California, Washington	11
2	18	Correspondence, family group sheets	McLain, Thompson	Kentucky, Missouri	11
2	19	Correspondence	Johnson, Woody	Virginia	3
2	20	"Memories of my Grandma Wanner," photos	Wanner, Osburn	Kansas, Oregon	
2	21	Descendants of Carrie Viola (Belle) Osburn, photos	Osburn, Phillis	Kansas	31

2	22	Correspondence, photos, descendants of Cora Angeline Osburn	Osburn, Ramage	Kansas	15
2	23	"Remembering Charley," correspondence, obituary, photos	Osburn, Housley	Kansas	13
2	24	"Onesime Bergeron and his wife, Sophie Ledoux and their descendants," photos, 50th and 70th wedding anniversary story, family group sheets	Bergeron, Ledoux, Landry	Quebec, Alberta, Oregon	61
2	25	Photos	Osburn		23
2	26	Photos, postcards	Wanner, Osburn		11
2	27	Correspondence, photos	Osburn		7
2	28	Photos, postcards, family group sheet, news clippings	Wanner, Osburn, Smalley, Mulanax		5
2	29	Descendants of Sims (Simms) Butler Osburn, postcard, photo	Osburn, Ralston, Wanner	Kansas, Oklahoma, British Columbia	8
2	30	Death certificate, correspondence, photo	Osborne	Missouri, Kansas	4
2	31	Correspondence, family group sheets	Mudge, Ferguson, Woodward, Ruf, McLain, Thompson, Jphnson	Vermont, New York, Kentucky, Missouri, Iowa	37
2	32	Family group sheets, research notes, correspondence	Swallow, Huff, McCoy	North Carolina, Ohio	31
2	33	Timeline, correspondence, research notes, photos	Wanner, Osburn	Kansas, British Columbia, Oregon	20
2	34	Correspondence	Shintaffer, Meeker	Washington, Virginia	5
2	35	Research notes, family group sheets	Carson, Barrett	Alberta	31
2	36	Photos, research notes, descendency charts, family group sheets, correspondence	Shintaffer, Thompson, Osburn, Claypool, Langston	Indiana, West Virginia, Iowa	37
2	37	Biographical sketches, research notes re. passenger lists and spelling variations	Shintaffer	West Virginia, Pennsylvania	14
2	38	Family group sheets	Meek	Kentucky, Tennessee	5

2	39	"The Family of Elmer Wanner and Nannie Osburn, My Grandparents" by Carolyn Bergeron, photos, notes, vital records	Wanner, Osburn, Madsen, Rittenhouse	Kansas, British Columbia, Oregon	71
2	40	Historical notes about Havensville, [Pottawatomie] Kansas		Kansas	31
2	41	Photos, correspondence	Wanner, Osburn	Kansas, Oregon	42
2	42	Family group sheets, correspondence	Elmore, Ellyson, Johnson	Virginia	18
2	43	"The Elmores of St. Peter's Parish and some Associated Families" by William Elmore 1984	Elmore, Austin	Virginia	54
2	44	Family group sheet	Woodward, Wisner	New York	1
2	45	Family group sheets, correspondence, reunion notes, photos	Smalley, Gerrard, Swallow	New Jersey, Ohio, Illinois	48
2	46	School photos, Wilson high school 40th reunion photos, program, and memory book (1957), obituaries		Oregon	81
2	47	Photos, obituary	Wanner, Haflich	Oregon, Kansas	9
2	48	Reunion book - Descendants of Stephen and Purthena Osburn, 2008, photos	Osburn, Smalley	Kansas	109
2	49	Photos, obituaries, newsletter "Osburn Connection," copies of death and marriage certificates, photos	Osburn, Wanner, Mulanax, Corbit	Kansas	32
2	50	Photos, history of Mayetta, [Jackson] Kansas, newsletter "Osburn Connection"	Osburn, Strittmatter	Kansas	28
2	51	Photos	Wanner, Osburn		18
2	52	List of photo sources	Osburn		2
3	1	"Letters from Home: Letters to Rosamund (Thayer) Bergeron from her family in Canada" [collection of original letters from the 1920s]	Thayer, Bergeron	Alberta	93

3	2	Collection of personal letters from the 1930s and 1940s	Bergeron	Oregon	116
3	3	Family group sheets, "The Children of Archelous Johnson and Mary Hutchins," cemetery photos, correspondence, pedigree chart, birth certificate	Johnson, Hutchins, Hough, Ratcliff	Virginia, North Carolina, Indiana, Ohio	38
3	4	Family group sheets, photos, copy of death certificate, biographical sketches	Shintaffer, Garoers, Clark, Mason, Soesbe, Osburn, Byam, Kelsey, Butler	Missouri, Iowa, Kansas	46
3	5	Descendant charts from St. Paul Mission Historical Society	Provencher, Chalifoux, Larocque, Gervais, Bergevin, Gagnon	France, Montreal, Oregon	31
3	6	"George Shintaffer of Greenbrier County Virginia," wills, DAR application, family group sheets, descendants of Samuel Smith, cemetery photos	Shintaffer, Thompson, Smith, Miller	Virginia, West Virginia, Iowa, Oregon	55
3	7	Family group sheets	Bergeron, Campbell, Ledoux, Botsford	North Dakota, Canada	20
3	8	Family group sheets, death certificate, photos, transcripts of personal correspondence from the 1920s, research notes	Thayer, Gibbs, Wheeler, Allen, Carson	England, Massachusetts, New York, Iowa, Indiana, Oregon, Alberta	57
3	9	Family group sheets	Perry, Burgess	England, Massachusetts, New York	13
3	10	Family group sheets with notes, source list	Knoblock, Peters, Smith	Pennsylvania	51
3	11	Photos	Johnson, Haydock		4
3	12	Photos	Johnson		12
3	13	"Our Johnson Family in Aberdeenshire Scotland" and "John Johnson Immigrant to Virginia" - a collection of family group sheets	Johnston, Johnson, Hay, Forbes, Lundy, Massie	Scotland, Virginia	27
3	14	Notes	Johnson	Nebraska, Iowa	2
3	15	Pedigree charts, correspondence	LeDoux, Lecoux, Lereau, Chabot, Racine	North Dakota, Massachusetts	42

3	16	"My Parents Cletus Johnson and Ruthe Wanner" including photos, certificates, autobiography (Carolyn), biographical sketches of family members, family histories, pedigree charts and more			146
3	17	"David Johnson and his wife Edith Haydock," family group sheets, pedigree chart	Johnson, Haydock, Hadley, Stuart	Iowa, North Carolina	10
3	18	Photos, Bible records	Smalley, Osburn, Shintaffer	Kansas	23
3	19	Family group sheets, correspondence, cemetery photos	Osburn, Rucker, Shintaffer, Coverdale, Bahret	Iowa, Michigan, Kansas	67