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Summary Information

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Biographical/Historical note

On April 25, 1936, Etta Grey Cargile, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.S. Cargile of Arkadelphia, Arkansas, married Ben Darwin Gray of Hot Springs. Gray was the son of George Travis and Mary Jane Gray of Thornton. The gown and shoes Cargile wore at her wedding were used in a display in Cone Bottoms Hall on the campus of Ouachita Baptist University about 1955. When the display was dismantled, Mrs. Gray donated the items to the Library.

Scope and Contents

The collection contains a wedding gown, shoes, and newsclippings about the wedding. The gown is three pieces: an opaque slip, a lace dress with cap sleeves, and a long-sleeve coat made of the same lace as the dress. The wedding announcement describes it as “a redingote model of peau d’ange lace fashioned with train.” The shoes are white high heels.

There are two newsclippings. The first, from April 6, 1936, is about the engagement announcement party. The second, dated April 27, 1936, describes the wedding.

Administrative Information

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Wedding attire, 1936

Collection Inventory

Wedding attire, 1936

Gown

Shoes

shoes

Newsclippings, 1936