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Collection Title: Merritt Jesse Gay [1931-1957]

Series 1. Correspondences [1948-1957]

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| 1 | <p>Subseries 1a. Personal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 • <i>General (including greeting cards) [1944-55]</i> 2 • <i>Business [1943-54]</i> 3 • <i>Condolences, death of father, Irving [1954]</i> 4 • <i>Drafts of letter, hand notes (loosely organized by topic)</i>
 5 Subseries 1b. School <i>(includes drafts of letters, hand notes and Thornton Academy commencement programs [1945, 1954-56])</i> 6 Subseries 1c. List of Addresses |
| 2 | <p>7 Series 2. Personal Journals [n.d.-1955]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>early child's journal, possibly 1924-35</i> • <i>memo notes, possibly 1930's</i> • <i>daily journal, loose leaf pages, 1955</i> <p>8 Series 3. Genealogy</p> <p>9 Series 4. Miscellaneous Papers [1944-53]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Personal income/expense book, 1944-45</i> • <i>Shopping register receipts and budgeted items</i> • <i>Registrations, Excise taxes, warranties on personal automobile</i> • <i>Personal lists (Christmas, relatives/friends, reading, vocabulary)</i> • <i>Evans Radio, receipts for parts</i> • <i>Poll tax bill, 1953</i> • <i>Red Cross Contributors' List, 1944</i> • <i>Cornell Aurora Program 1956</i> |

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| 2 | <p>9</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Personal stamp collection w/list</i> • <i>Merritt's schematic drawings (interest in Electronics)</i> |
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Series 5. Photographs

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| 10 | <p><i>Ca. early 1950. This photograph of Irving J. Gay with his single work horse pulling on a "scoot" sled. He is hauling grey-birch firewood. This single horse replaced Irving's team.</i></p> |
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Series 6. Gay Farm Business Records

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- 3** **Subseries 6a. Ledgers & Journals • Expenses/Incomes**
 - *Expense/Income Journal [1904-08]*
 - *Expense/Income Journal [1904-10]*
 - *Single entry ledger, Irving Gay, 1922*
 - *Double entry ledgers*
 - 1921-1927*
 - 1927-1934*
 - 1935-1942*
 - *Single entry ledgers*
 - 1921-1933*
 - 1933-1947*
- 4** • *1950-1954*
- *Receipts [1923-1954]*
- 11** **Subseries 6b. Receipts [1923, 28, 20]**
- 12** **Subseries 6c. Production records**
 - Egg production tallies and receiving records [1932-55]
 - Milk production tallies [n.d., 1949]
- 13** **Subseries 6d. Business correspondence, [1930-57]**
- 14** **Subseries 6e. Farming publications & bulletins [1931-42]**
- 15** **Subseries 6f. Customer log book, [1907-08]**
- 16** **Subseries 6g. Miscellaneous farm papers [n.d., 1955-56]**

Series 7. Bank Records

- 5** • Check registers 1909 (Beverly National Bank) Irving J. Gay
- Check registers 1928-54 (York National Bank) Irving J. Gay
- 6** • Cancelled checks, Saco National Bank, 1929, Irving J. Gay
- Cancelled checks, York National Bank, 1931-39, Irving J. Gay
- Bank Statements, 1950-54, Irving J. Gay
- Bank Statements, 1954-56, Merritt J. Gay
- Deposit records, 1925-29, 1947, 1954

Series 8. Newspapers Clippings [n.d.]

- 7** **17** • Local news [1951-53]]
- 18** • World news, political cartoons, commentaries [1950-53]
- 19** • Cartoon “Out Our Way” [1956]
- 20** • Series “Story of Maine” incomplete [n.d.]

Series 9. Church/Religious Writings [United Baptist Church of Saco]

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| 7 | 21 | • Baptismal certificate, Merritt Gay, 1938 |
| | 22 | • Theological notes, drafts [1950's] |
| | 23 | • Church bulletin, memberships, annual meetings, etc. [1953-56] |
| | 24 | • Religious education |
| | 25 | • "Landlordism", Religious propaganda, anti-tax league |

Series 10. Ephemera

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| 26 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • York National Bank Calendar Cards, 1942-43, 1952,1954) • Service station maps <ul style="list-style-type: none"> —Highway map by Pan-Am motor oils, Mass.—Conn., R.I., 1931 —Cabin trails, 1936 edition —Tydol trails map through Northeast, provided by Tydol Oil, n.d. —Sunoco map, New England, n.d. (missing piece) —Boston & Maine Transportation Company Buses serving New England, Schedule • Coin wrappers (patented 1921) • U.S. Individual Income and Defense Tax Return form, 1940 • Family Allowance Info. Sheet/Active Duty Armed Forces Notification • "Pathfinder," News Weekly, Washington, D.C. January 23, 1943 • Advertisements/Art • Programs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Ocean Park Assoc., 75th Assembly Program & Business Directory, 1957 —Keytone Medium-Grade Bond Fund, Semi-Annual Report, 1957 —Pepperell Manufacturing Co., 106th Annual Report, 1957 —Playhouse Theater News, Gorham, Maine [n.d.] • Card, ink drawing, "Mrs. Wilton Fay's Home, W. Medford" • Other miscellaneous ephemera [n.d.] |
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Series 11. Personal Artifacts

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| 8 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Hand made lines vest with 5 black buttons</i> • <i>Brown eye glass case with rimless eye glass (Oculist, F. C. Lord, M.D., Biddeford, Maine)</i> • <i>Empty eyeglass case with metal fitting (F. Lee Fuller Optometrist) and lens cleaning cloth (Dr. Paul J. Carey, Optometrist)</i> • <i>"Irving J. Gay, West Scarborough, Maine" stamp</i> • <i>Wooden candlestick with metal fitting</i> • <i>Gold chain necklace (broken) [Evelyn Gay?]</i> • <i>Book "Quiet Moments" by Patience Strong, E.P. Dutton : New York, c1939. A gift to Evelyn Gay by Etta. Includes a gift card.</i> • <i>Wooden puzzle pieces, "Manufactured at Maine State Prison"</i> • <i>Hair comb</i> |
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