

## John Peter Holmgren Collection

Location : Special Closet – Special Collections

### Biographical Note:

John Peter Holmgren was born January 31, 1871 in Sweden. He married Kristina Westling and had two children, Ella and Eric. She died in 1913 in Sweden. He immigrated to the United States in 1914 after he and his children converted to the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Settling in Logan, Utah, he worked as an artist and photographer, operating a business painting portraits, painting houses both interior and exterior, and studio photography. His business was called the Logan Art Painting Studio and was located at 458 North 100 West. He remarried on March 12, 1919 to Emma Sonne and died in Logan on July 7, 1940.

Of J.P. Holmgren's children, Eric finished school in Logan and served an LDS mission to Sweden in the 1920's. He lived the rest of his life in San Francisco, California. Ella was born on January 9, 1899 in Sweden. She married David Nicholes and lived at 801 North 200 East which was a small farm at the time. Ella Holmgren Nicholes died in Logan on January 29, 1958.

David and Ella Nicholes had three children: Dean, Helen, and Kay. Dean died as a small child (August 26, 1922 – June 13, 1925). Kay lived his whole life in Logan. Helen married Bruce Morris, son of Professor A.J. Morris. Kristine who donated the collection is their daughter.

### Provenance Note:

The materials in this collection were donated to the Logan Library Special Collections in 2011 by Kristine Morris. Her relationship to John Peter Holmgren is mentioned in the biographical note.

### Researcher Note:

Materials have been added to the Virginia Hanson Special Collections in the Logan Library. Researchers should take careful note of the call numbers as parts of the donation have been placed in different locations within the collection.

### Inventory:

#### [Special 373 Amphion 1942](#)

Two copies of the Logan High School yearbook, one formerly belonging to Helen Nicholes Morris and the other to Bruce Morris. The copy belonging to Bruce is in storage.

#### [Special 373 Amphion 1943](#)

Two copies of the Logan High School yearbook, one formerly belonging to Helen Nicholes Morris and the other to Bruce Morris. The copy belonging to Bruce is in storage.

#### [Special 373 Amphion 1944](#)

Two copies of the Logan High School yearbook, one formerly belonging to Helen Nicholes Morris and the other to Bruce Morris. The copy belonging to Bruce is in storage.

[Special 378.053 Buzzer 1944](#)

One 1944 copy of The Buzzer, the annual for Utah State University in Logan, Utah.

[Special 378.053 Buzzer 1945](#)

One 1945 copy of The Buzzer, the annual for Utah State University in Logan, Utah.

[Special 378.053 Buzzer 1946](#)

One 1946 copy of The Buzzer, the annual for Utah State University in Logan, Utah.

[Special 378.053 Buzzer 1947](#)

One 1947 copy of The Buzzer, the annual for Utah State University in Logan, Utah.

[Special 929.2 Holmgren Folder 1](#)

Donation letter with family chronology and itemization of the donation. Also included is the transfer of ownership document.

[Special 929.2 Holmgren Folder 2](#)

2 CD's containing digital copies of Holmgren obituaries, newspaper clippings, and related photographs.

[Special 929.2 Holmgren Folder 3](#)

List of First Class passengers on the Allan Line ship RMS Virginian from Liverpool to Quebec, May 13, 1914.

[Special 929.2 Holmgren Folder 4](#)

J.P. Holmgren diaries, 1924, 1928-9.

[Special 929.2 Holmgren Folder 5](#)

J.P. Holmgren diaries, 1930-2.

[Special 929.2 Holmgren Folder 6](#)

J.P. Holmgren diaries, 1934, 1936, 1938.

[Special 929.2 Holmgren Folder 7](#)

J.P. Holmgren diaries, 1939-40.

[Special 929.2 Holmgren Folder 8](#)

J.P. Holmgren Business catalog.

[Special 929.2 Holmgren Folders 9 & 10](#)

J.P. Holmgren sketchbooks.

[Special 929.2 Holmgren Folder 11](#)

J.P. Holmgren : 2 small oil still-lifes with fruit.

[Special 929.2 Holmgren Folder 12](#)

[Transcript of] Funeral Services for Ella Nicholes.