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Title Family and Friends of William H. Mortensen

Date 1906-1978

Primary Maker William H. Mortensen

Medium Photography; gelatin silver prints on paper, on card; color prints on paper.

Description Photographs of William H. Mortensen and his immediate family and friends. Family members include his first wife, Alice Carroll Mortensen, his second wife Trice Carter Mortensen, his parents John (Jens) L. and Karen Mortensen, his brothers Peter, Edward, and Elmer and their wives, Otto and Marie Mortensen, Howard Bradstreet, Charles F. T. Seaverns, Appleton Seaverns and his wife, and Dr. T. Stewart Hamilton. School portraits include a group picture of four young men, labeled "Batterson Debate / April 1922". They are

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identified as George W. Goodman, William H. Mortensen, Lewis Fox, and Edwin

Weedmark. Two other group school photos are from Antioch College in Yellow

Springs, Ohio. The first is labeled "Freshmen class" with a large group of young

men and women standing on steps in front of a brick building. The other photo

is a group of young men seated and standing outside by a tree, labeled 'The

Polygon Debate Club'. Members are identified as: Louis Horap [or Harap] of New

York; Louis Desjardins of Cincinnati, Ohio; Melvin Ellis, Secretary, of

Tallahassee, Florida; William Mortensen, President, of Hartford, Connecticut;

Herman Savanguer, Vice President, of Ohio; Robert Parks of Buffalo, New York;

Archie Allardyce of Michigan; Harold Metzendorf of New York; Herman Coulter of

Missouri; John Butler of Kentucky; William Meyer of Fresno, California; Edward

Mortensen of Hartford; N.S. Wilder; Ching Ho of China; and Keith Stebbins of

California. Places included: 175 Ridgefield Street, 225 Blue Hills Avenue, and

Keney Park in Hartford; a rocky shoreline, with utility poles and wires visible at

Knollwood Beach in Old Saybrook; and Yellow Springs, Ohio. Other

photographs: A group picture of men and women passengers, and men in

uniform, on the M.Y. Stella Polaris North Cape Cruise in 1932. William H.

Mortensen is standing at the far left, about three rows from the front. Several

interior views of both houses and offices, that include tables, a piano, and a

fireplace. There are several events, including anniversary parties and a going

away party for John and Karen Mortensen. Later pictures include William and

Alice Mortensen in Old Saybrook, and William and his brother Peter Mortensen

in Old Saybrook, and his second wife Trice Carter in Florida.

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Dimensions Primary Dimensions (image height x width): 10 1/2 x 13 3/4in. (26.7 x

34.9cm) and smaller Sheet (height x width): 11 x 14in. (27.9 x 35.6cm) and smaller