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Guide to the

**Rose de Rose papers**

1834-1958

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## **Summary**

**Creator:** de Rose, Rose

**Title:** Rose de Rose papers, 1834-1958

**Size:** .63 linear foot (2 boxes)

**Source:** Donated by Henry Moeller (town historian of South Hampton), 2006

**Abstract:** Rose de Rose (1902-1982) was the daughter of Edward de Rose and Susan Varnum de Rose of Southampton, New York. The Rose de Rose papers includes travel ephemera from a world cruise, family portraits and photographs, a genealogy of the Varnum family of Long Island, and other family materials.

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## **Creator history**

Rose de Rose (1902-1981) was the daughter of Edward de Rose and Susan Varnum de Rose of Southampton, New York. After a traditional upper class upbringing, she rejected the high society lifestyle, never married and lived in a small cottage on her family estate raising chickens and ducks until her death in 1981.

## **Scope and content note**

The Rose de Rose papers includes travel ephemera from a world cruise, family portraits and photographs, a genealogy of the Varnum family of Long Island, and other family materials. Notable in the collection is the materials saved from a 1928-1929 Canadian Pacific 'Round the World' cruise on the Empress of Australia undertaken by Rose de Rose and her mother, Susan Varnum de Rose. These materials include ships menus, the weekly newspaper of the ship, and a complete collection of handouts given to the passengers. These handouts describe the sights and people that they will see at each of their tour stops. Handout topics include "Chinese Street Restaurants," "Tropical fruits of Java which you may safely eat" and "Snake Charmers of India." Other items of note include Rose de Rose's baby book, and a copy of an 1834 woodcut of the John Taylor residence, a farm in Manhattan on 40th and 5th Avenue.

## **Arrangement**

Arrangement is alphabetical.

## **Key terms**

### **Subjects**

Cruise lines

Travel--History

Varnum family

### **Names**

de Rose, Rose, 1902-1981

### **Special formats**

Genealogical tables

Photographs

Woodcuts

## **Places**

Southampton (Long Island, N.Y.)

## Container list

- b.1 f.1 Baby Book , 1902
- b.1 f.2-4 Canadian Pacific 'Round the World' Cruise , 1928-1929
- b.1 f.5 Family documents, 1880-1930
- b.1 f.6 Genealogical chart , 1907  
Photographs, 1870-1958
- b.1 f.7-8 Family portraits , 1870-1919
- b.2 f.1-3 Southampton house , 1920-1958
- b.2 f.4 Woodcut of John Taylor residence , 1834