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## **Finding Aid for the Nancy Jo Fostvedt Tice Bloom Collection of Family Photographs by Will Connell, 1933-1946**

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## **Descriptive Summary**

**Title:** Nancy Jo Fostvedt Tice Bloom Collection of Family Photographs by Will Connell,

**Date (inclusive):** 1933-1946

**Collection number:** 2105

**Creator:** Bloom, Nancy Jo Fostvedt Tice, 1933-

**Extent:** 1 oversize box

**Abstract:** Opal Weimer Fostvedt Tice (ca. 1900-1978) was a member of the Los Angeles art community and often a model for photographers in the group. Will Connell (1898-1961) was a self taught photographer (1920s). He opened a studio in downtown Los Angeles, exhibited in Pictorialist exhibits, and was a member of the Camera Pictorialist. In 1931, he started a 30-year teaching career at Art Center College of Design. He also worked for movie studios and magazines, did commercial photography, and was one of the first photojournalists. The collection consists of photographs or portraits of Opal Weimer Fostvedt Tice and her family taken by Will Connell. Subjects include other Fostvedt Family members, Connell Family members, and various friends.

**Repository:** University of California, Los Angeles. Library Special Collections.

Los Angeles, California 90095-1575

**Physical location:** Stored off-site at SRLF. Advance notice is required for access to the collection. Please contact the UCLA Library Special Collections Reference Desk for paging information.

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### **Provenance/Source of Acquisition**

Gift of Jo Tice Bloom, 1981.

### **Preferred Citation**

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### **UCLA Catalog Record ID**

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### **Biography**

Opal Weimer Fostvedt Tice was born in Portland, Oregon, ca. 1900; married Willaim C. Fostvedt (1926), divorced and married Fred A. Tice (1943); was a member of the Los Angeles art community and often a model for photographers in the group; died ca. 1978.

William C. Fostvedt was born in Olso, Norway, 1902; migrated to U.S., 1907; was a banker; died in Los Angeles, 1964.

Nancy Jo Fostvedt Tice Bloom, daughter of Opal and William, was born in Los Angeles, California, 1933.

Cynthia S. Tice, daughter of Opal and William, was born in Los Angeles, California, 1937.

Will Connell was born in McPherson, Kansas, 1898; became a self taught photographer (1920s) and opened a studio in downtown Los Angeles; exhibited in Pictorialist exhibits and was a member of the Camera Pictorialist; started 30-year teaching career at Art Center College of Design (1931); closed his Los Angeles studio and did jobs for movie studios and magazines as well as commercial photography; one of the first photojournalists, he illustrated articles for *Colliers* and *The Saturday evening post*; produced 3 photography books and wrote a monthly column for *U.S. Camera* entitled, "Counsel by Connell"; died 1961.

### **Scope and Content**

Collection consists of photographs or portraits of Opal Weimer Fostvedt Tice and her family taken by Will Connell. Includes photographs of Cynthia Tice taken to illustrate an article about war orphans in the October 10, 1942 issue of *The Saturday evening post*. Subjects include other Fostvedt Family members, Connell Family members, and various friends.

### **Indexing Terms**

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library's online public access catalog.

### **Subjects**

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Connell, Will, 1898-1961.  
Fostvedt-Tice family--Archives.  
Photographers--California--Archival resources.

**Genres and Forms of Material**

Photographs.

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- Box 1                   **Cabinet photographs.**  
                          **Physical Description:** (Mounted, 16.5 × 11cm.)  
                          **Creator/Collector:** by "Connell Swell Photographer 423 So. Rampart Los Angeles"
- Box 1                   **1. Opal Fostvedt. n.d.**  
Box 1                   **2. Opan and William Fostvedt. n.d.**  
Box 1                   **3. Margaret Hilda. 1906-1936**  
Box 1                   **4. William Fostvedt. n.d.**  
Box 1                   **5. Will Jr. and Samantha Connell. n.d.**  
Box 1                   **6. Portrait of Connell family: Will, Grace, Will Jr., and Samantha. 1946**  
                          **Scope and Content Note**  
                          Verso: "Hapy New Year 1946." Mount: "Will Connell Swell Photographer 355 No. Berendo  
                          Los Angeles."
- Box 1                   **Unmounted photographs. 1942**  
                          **Physical Description:** (Approximately 25 × 20.5cm.)  
                          **Note**  
                          Photographs 1-6 were taken in September 1942 for an article in the *Saturday Evening Post*,  
                          October 10, 1942, p.20.
- Box 1                   **1-5. Cynthia Fostvedt. Various poses of the little girl crying.**  
Box 1                   **6. Cynthia Fostvedt. Photograph used to illustrate article.**  
Box 1                   **7. Nancy Fostvedt. 1937**  
                          **Physical Description:** (24.7 × 19.7cm.)
- Box 1                   ***Saturday Evening Post*. October 10, 1942**  
                          **Scope and Content Note**  
                          Will Connell's photographs illustrate a story on war orphans.
- Box 1                   **Oversize photograph.**  
                          **Physical Description:** (Mounted, 45.8 × 35.7, unless otherwise noted)
- Box 1                   **1-2. Opal Fostvedt and sleeping baby Nancy. 1933**  
                          **Physical Description:** (2 copies, duplicates)
- Box 1                   **3-4. Nancy on Opal's shoulder. 1933**  
                          **Physical Description:** (2 photographs, different views)
- Box 1                   **5. Opal wearing necklace and holding Nancy. 1933**  
Box 1                   **6. Opal holding Nancy in the air. 1933**  
Box 1                   **7. William, Nancy, and Opal Fostvedt. 1933**  
Box 1                   **8. Nancy, William, and Opal Fostvedt. 1933**  
Box 1                   **9. Dr. Carl Fisher and Nancy. 1933**  
Box 1                   **10-11. "To Grandma Weimer from Nancy. June 7, 1934.". 1934**  
                          **Physical Description:** ([Mat trimmed: 42 × 35.7cm., and damaged] 2 copies, duplicate)
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- Box 1                    **12. Nancy Fostvedt. 1934**  
                                 **Physical Description:** (Outdoor photograph)
- Box 1                    **13-14. Nancy, right profile. 1934**  
Box 1                    **15. Nancy. 1934**  
Box 1                    **16-17. Nancy smiling. 1934**  
                                 **Physical Description:** (2 photographs, different views)
- Box 1                    **18. Nancy crawling on grass. 1934**  
Box 1                    **19. Opal, Nancy, William Fostvedt, and dog Buddy. 1934**  
Box 1                    **20. Budd Frankenfield and Nancy. 1934**  
Box 1                    **21. Mable Williams Frankenfield and Nancy. 1934**  
Box 1                    **22. Nancy sitting in front of fireplace. 1934**  
Box 1                    **21-24. "Opal". 1936**  
                                 **Physical Description:** (2 copies, duplicates, #24 untitled)
- Box 1                    **25. "Opal Fostvedt". 1936**  
Box 1                    **26. "Cyndy, Opal, Nancy Fostvedt, Feb. 1, 1941". 1941**  
Box 1                    **27. "Cyndy & Nancy Fostvedt, January 1941". 1941**  
Box 1                    **28. "Bill". Portrait of Will Connell, Jr. 1937**