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ERNEST V. LUDLUM COLLECTION

VOLUME

1.5 LINEAR FEET, 1 BOX

This inventory was prepared by Shirley Soenksen on 2009 January 22. It was slightly revised from an undated handwritten inventory.

This collection consists of manuscripts, drafts, and correspondence related to Ludlum's book, *Southwest of the Border of Illinois*, published by Carleton Press in 1967.

Ernest Vilroy Ludlum was born in Springer, New Mexico on May 24, 1884. He received his education in New Mexico, graduating from the [New Mexico Military Institute](#) in Roswell. He married Mabel Louise Carrington of Taos on November 6, 1915. Ludlum served as the city clerk of Raton, New Mexico and worked in the ordinance plant in Pueblo, Colorado during World War II. The Ludlums moved to Greeley, Colorado in 1948. After retiring from the Lucerne Potato Growers, he wrote *Southwest of the Border of Illinois*, a book about the history of the Santa Fe Trail that also includes his "own boyhood recollections" of New Mexico Territory.

Sources consulted:

"Obituaries: Ernest Ludlum," *Greeley Tribune*, July 19, 1976, p. 6.