

MARY BAKER. Born 1924.

Summary of OH0368. Recorded on September 11, 1987 at 2635 Mapleton #7. The interviewer is Kay Stiewig.

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000 Full name is Mary Gay Hansen DeWeese Baker, Gay is for her grandparents who were Frank Velorus Gay and Mary Gay. Frank Gay in, insurance in Clay Center, Kansas. Came to Colorado because of asthma; first to Ward, but too high, then settled in Allenspark. 1905 bought land, built cottages for summer rental. Train from Kansas. Stanley Steamers. Later drove from Kansas, describes trip.

037 Roads to Allenspark. Rainstorms, bridges washing out.

041 Mary Monroe Gay, Mary's grandmother. Mary's mother was Edith Gay. Describes meeting of mother and father.

052 Mary born in Longmont, as was brother Frank Andrew Hansen. Her birth date is March 4, 1924. Recalls Longmont.

060 Childhood in Clay Center, Kansas.

078 During summer in Allenspark, went to Longmont for supplies. "Piggly Wiggly" Store. Fruits in Allenspark.

085 Tells about cabins and life in Allenspark.

102 George Peifer.

113 Grandparents friends of Enos A. Mills, 'father' of Rocky Mountain National Park. Mill's cabin at foot of Twin Sisters.

120 Father, "Andy", Andrew Hansen. Copeland Lake Lodge. Stanley Steamers to Lyons.

141 Parents married in grandparent's cabin. Mentions summer residents from Kansas.

172 Mary's father was Chief of Police and Fire Chief in Clay Center.

176 Received normal training as senior in high school, qualified to teach - \$65.00 a month - 20 children from 1st through 8th grades.

187 - World Was II. Joined the Waves. Training at Hunter College, NY City and Bethesda, MD. Rest of service in San Diego, CA.

204 To Denver. Worked at original Joslins store, 16th and Curtis. Lived in boarding house at 12th and Pennsylvania - still there.

236 Trolley ride to Golden for 10 cents.

247 Skiing in Allenspark. International ski meets in early 20's Describes skis and clothing.

265 Road to Allenspark. Stanley H. (Hotel?)

276 1947 or '48 to Topeka. Met Jack DeWeese. Married in Cathedral, 1949. Moved to Wamego, Kansas. Daughter Mary Edith DeWeese born; she is fourth generation living in Allenspark.

297 Moved to Topeka, Kansas. Second daughter born.

306 History of Episcopal church in Allenspark. W. D. McCollister donated the land. Father began building before 1924, others finished. History of St. James on the Mount. Became a community church a few years ago.

357 Altar out of native rock by her father as a memorial to grandparents. Young man painted triptych, hung over altar. (Note: Ben Bailey painted the triptych for St. James on the Mount. Mary's father got the logs to build the first cabin from a forest fire on Rock Creek. A horse pulled the logs to Allenspark with a logging chain. The house was "chinked".)

365 Baptismal font built by Mary's father as a memorial to her first husband. Jack DeWeese who died in 1958. Cutting Christmas trees in Allenspark. Prior to this, Jack and Mary lived in Lyons, opened a jewelry store in Boulder, "The DeWeese Time Shop", 1827 Broadway, between Walnut and Water Street. Describes businesses in that block.

397 Worked for Dr. Fred Timms, 14 years, as office nurse. Now works for Boulder Valley Schools.

412 Grandparent's history: Gays came from Jonesville, Michigan. Grandmother born in 1849, grandfather born in 1847. Hansens came from Denmark when Germans were forcing conscription on young Danish boys and the German language on the people. They married in Iowa and homesteaded in Kansas. Indians at cabin window at Sutter's Mill, California.