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Finding Aid For:	Walter William Wortz
Dates:	1887 to 1930
Size:	1 box; 0.42 linear feet
Creator/Collector:	Anna Mae Wortz (Bender)
Call Number:	Special Collection (SC)
Language(s):	English
Abstract:	The Walter William Wortz collection holds his Family Bible. Walter married Anna Mae Bender in 1908 and they went on to have three children: Charles Henry Wortz, Dorothy Helen Wortz, and Doris Louise Wortz. The Bible was gifted to dad, mother, and sisters from Charles on March 16, 1929. There are handwritten dates on the births and marriages of the family until 1930.
Subject Terms:	Walter William Wortz Anna Mae Bender Charles Henry Wortz Dorothy Helen Wortz Doris Louise Wortz Family Bible Family History
Access Restrictions:	Collection is open for research.
Copyright:	Copyright restrictions may apply. For further information contact the repository.
Preferred Citation:	[Item], [Series], Walter William Wortz, [Container #], Family Collection, Fort Smith Public Library, Fort Smith, Arkansas.
Acquisition Information:	Unknown
Repository:	Fort Smith Public Library, Barbara Walker Genealogy and Arkansas History Collection, Fort Smith, Arkansas
Finding Aid Created By:	Rachel Sanford, 2022
Processing Information:	The binding of the Wortz Family Bible is in tatters. The front cover and the back cover are completely removed. The covering of the spine is missing. The book has been handled excessively to look at the family information because the Bible is in two pieces right where the family information is. This Bible is extremely fragile. To help keep it together

tissue paper was placed around the Bible and stuffed around it. The collection was processed by Mary Carson in September 2022.

Collection Details

Biographical Note:

Wortz Family

1884 Walter William Wortz was born in Indiana

1887 Anna Mae Bender was born on July 22 in Fort Smith, Arkansas.

1908 Walter William Wortz married Anna Mae Bender on August 4 in Fort Smith, Arkansas

1909 Charles Henry Wortz was born on August 11 in Fort Smith, Arkansas

1916 Twin sister Dorothy Helen Wortz and Doris Louise Wortz was born on January 1 in Fort Smith, Arkansas

1930 Charles Henry Wortz married Marie Elizabeth Quoss on December 28 in Fort Smith, Arkansas.

Scope and Content:

Within the Walter William Wortz Family Bible are handwritten accounts of births and marriages for the immediate family. The records were written during the first year of having the Bible then stopped. The records include the births of the children and the marriage of the parents and Charles' marriage.

Collection Inventory

Container 1: Walter William Wortz, 1887 to 1930

Series 1: Wortz Family Collection, 1887 to 1930

1 Walter William Wortz and Anna Mae Bender Family Bible, 1887 to 1930