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**Papers of Joyce Green and Karl Hinde**  
**1815-1992**

**ADMINISTRATIVE AND BIOGRAPHICAL HISTORY**

Elsie 'Joyce' Green nee Hinde was born at her grandparents' house in Croydon in 1910. She was the daughter of Karl Alfred Hinde (1882-1954) and spent her early years in Russia, although her mother returned to England for her birth so that Joyce's British nationality was assured. Following the family's return from Russia, she was educated at Pinehurst School, Crowborough, and Oakover Girls School, Burnham. Joyce was a talented dancer, who had auditioned successfully at the Russian School of Ballet although she never took up her place since the family had left Russia by that time. She eventually studied dance in London from 1926 at Serafina Astafieva's Russian Dancing Academy (whose alumni included Rambert, Dolin, Markova and Fonteyn) and then danced with a number of companies across England and France. She left the profession to marry Dr Francis Henry Knethell Green (1900-1977) at the Holy Trinity Church, Street, Somerset, in July 1933. They had met at the Arts Theatre Club in 1930 during her last show, sharing an interest in collecting art. Joyce worked with the ARP through WW2. They were resident in Finchley, London, where Frank worked at the Medical Research Council, and had no issue. Green turned to art later in life, holding exhibitions in the 1970s and 1980s. Joyce died in London after an illness in Nov 1993.

Karl Hinde was the eldest son of Edith Octavia Clark (1852-1943 and 11<sup>th</sup> surviving child of James and Eleanor Clark) and her husband Dr George Hinde (1839-1918). Karl was a Quaker, born and brought up in Surrey (by 1940, Edith was resident in Exeter) and educated at Bootham School, York. He then studied electrical engineering at the Central Technical College, London. Hinde was widely travelled in his profession, working abroad from 1902, firstly for the Marconi Wireless Telegraph Co and subsequently as a mining and prospecting engineer, including prolonged trips to Labrador, Newfoundland, Korea and Russia (Vladivostok and Siberia). He met his wife to be Ethel 'May' Stoker (1877-1962) in St Petersburg, where her father was a mining engineer and her mother an English teacher and governess. They married at the British and American church in St Petersburg in April 1908. In Sept 1919, the family left Siberia in a hurry through Vladivostok following the Bolshevik disturbances, although Joyce was seriously ill with typhoid. The family eventually reached England via Japan, San Francisco and the East Coast, where they stayed with William Bancroft, a Clark family connection.

Hinde worked at C & J Clark Ltd in Somerset as chief engineer from Jan 1920 until his retirement in 1952 (initially the CJC power plant supplied current to the Mid Somerset Electricity Supply Company and also to the Avalon Leatherboard Co). Hinde lived with his family in an annexe to the Bear Inn on the High Street and also at Rosewood, Street. He was also a keen member of the Street Volunteer Fire Brigade from 1920 until 1945. He died in Taunton after a short illness and is interred at the burial ground, Meeting House, Street.

Karl's younger brother Wilfrid George Hinde (1886-1973) also worked for C & J Clark Ltd from 1910, becoming a director in 1928, until his retirement whilst

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responsible for Advertising and Export in 1947. He married Rhoda Constance Clothier (1891-1965). Their only son John Wilfrid Hinde (1916-1998) became a well known photographer who also had careers in Clarks, as a circus publicity agent and as an artist.

### **EXTENT**

5 boxes

### **ARCHIVAL HISTORY**

The collection was deposited in 1999, with a small addition made by Dr Green's executor in 2007. Some photocopies from the collection had been made by Florrie Coole in Dec 1992 and by Bancroft Clark in 1975.

### **DESCRIPTION**

Hinde family photographs and certificates; letters from Karl Hinde, abroad, to his family; passport and CVs etc for Karl Hinde; papers and photographs relating to the childhood, education and dancing career of Joyce Green Hind; papers relating to the history of Street, the Clark family and C & J Clark Ltd, including newscuttings, printed histories and obituaries.

### **ACCESS CONDITIONS**

Access to the collection is arranged via advance appointment only. Access to some collections may be restricted due to Data Protection or other restrictions. Please check with the Archivist.

### **REPRODUCTION CONDITIONS**

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### **LANGUAGE**

English, Russian

### **FINDING AIDS**

A list is available on the Access database, prepared in 1999, with additions in 2007.

### **RELATED UNITS OF DESCRIPTION**

Papers relating to other branches of the Clark family are held by the Alfred Gillett Trust. The John Hinde Archive is held at the National Media Museum in Bradford, and contains mainly photographic materials.

### **PUBLICATION NOTE**

It is not known to what extent this collection has been used in published research.