

**Collection name:** McKim Collection

**Collection number:** MCK-1

**Dates:** c1902-1908

**Quantity:** 1 box

**Provenance note:** McKim Family created these images, plates were given by Frank McKim to Robert Kujawa, who donated them to the library in c2012.

**Biographical & Historical Information:** Images taken in Alpena, Michigan at the McKim residences at 125 W. Miller (before c1905) and 112 W. Oldfield (after c1905) and the neighborhood. Many are of immediate family, others are unknown – extended family and neighbors. A few are of the McKim & Polzon business (fine line groceries) located at 109 Water St. in Alpena, co-owned by Curtis Howard (C.H.) McKim. Some are taken in what is believed to be the Long Lake area or other wooded area outside of town.

The immediate McKim family consisted of C.H. (father), Carrie (mother), Roy (older son), and Donnelly [Don] (younger son). Roy was a watchmaker and jewelry store owner during the time frame of the photographs, and Don was a student. Frank [Tankie] McKim, whom these glass plates were handed down to, was the son of Roy, and once Alpena's Fire Chief, retiring in 1973. C.H. died in 1928, Carrie died in 1930, and Frank died in 2001.

**Scope & Content:** 103 glass plate negatives and 1 photograph taken by the McKim Family during the years c1902 to c1908 in the city (mostly residential) and county of Alpena, Michigan. Some of the plates' sleeves have a number, e.g. (#2) – these numbers were written on the original sleeves of the glass plates, but no corresponding list came with the negatives.

**Access:** Open to research. Box is heavy – glass - handle with care. Cotton gloves must be worn to view this collection.

**Preferred Citation:** McKim Collection, Alpena County George N. Fletcher Public Library.

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*Sleeve*

1. McKim residence: 124 W. Miller St., Alpena, MI [exterior] (c1905)
2. McKim residence: 112 W. Oldfield St., Alpena, MI [exterior porch, family on porch] (c1908)
3. House exterior with family on porch, unknown location
4. House exterior, 6 women & 3 men posing in front of house, house is next to McKim's at 112 W. Oldfield St. (c1905)
5. House exterior, Miller St.?, (Winter 1903-1904)
6. Howard Church residence on 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue
7. Henry residence on State St.
8. Miller Street with St. Mary's Church on background
9. McKim & Polzin Store interior (c1902)
10. McKim & Polzin Store carriage loaded with "Ceresota Flour" and decorated probably for July 4<sup>th</sup> parade, 1 women, 2 men, 1 boy (c1907)
11. Store window (probably McKim & Polzon), "Oak Leaf Soap – Premiums – bring in your wrappers"
12. Singer Sewing Machines (c1904)
13. E. P. (or Ep) League Banquet, location?
14. Harvesting ice in Alpena, MI
15. Ice House in Alpena, MI
16. McKim residence, 124 W. Miller St., house interior, wall décor & arts, Luce & Hitchcock Fire Insurance January 1902 Calendar on wall
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18. Musical instruments display, "Little Gem Waltz" (c1904)
19. Family picture display on table (c1904)
20. Family picture display on table (c1905)
21. Picture of painting title "Companions" – girl cuddling with dog (c1905)
22. Picture taken of mirror & top of dresser in a bedroom (double exposure?) (c late 1906)
23. Elk with dog chained to antlers, both laying on ground
24. Elk laying on ground
25. Cat on pillow & piano stool outside
26. Curtis Howard [C.H.] McKim (c1902)
27. C. H. McKim (c1904)
28. Young man posing in front of piano in house [Roy or Donnelly McKim]
29. C. H., Carrie, Roy and Donnelly McKim (not sure which son is which)
30. C. H., Carrie, Roy and Donnelly McKim (not sure which son is which)
31. C. H., Carrie, Roy and Donnelly McKim (not sure which son is which)
32. "Family Picture", C.H. & Carrie McKim with 3 males & 1 female (c late 1904)

33. C. H., Carrie, Roy and Donnelly McKim (not sure which son is which)
34. Roy or Donnelly McKim in house
35. C. H., Carrie, Roy and Donnelly McKim (not sure which son is which)
36. C.H. McKim on left, brother??? on right, sitting in front of piano, music "Hiawatha Mandolin and Guitar Collection"
37. Brother of C.H. McKim???, sitting in front of piano, music "Hiawatha Mandolin and Guitar Collection"
38. Carrie McKim? Seated in chair in house next to cabinet with tea/coffee service
39. Carrie Mckim portrait wearing fur, seated inside (c1904)
40. Carrie Mckim portrait wearing fur, seated inside (c1907)
41. Carrie McKim in fur, standing on porch steps, 124 W. Miller St., (Winter 1903-1904)
42. Carrie McKim in fur, standing on porch steps, 124 W. Miller St., (Winter 1906-1907)
43. Carrie McKim in fur, standing on porch steps, 124 W. Miller St., (Winter 1906-1907)
44. Carrie Mckim portrait wearing fur, seated inside
45. Carrie McKim in fur, standing on porch steps, 124 W. Miller St., (Winter 1904-1905)
46. Carrie McKim in fur, standing on porch steps, 124 W. Miller St.
47. Carrie McKim? And young man standing outside with umbrella
48. Carrie McKim? eating at dinner table, interior
49. "Son & Camera", Roy or Donnelly McKim (c1905)
50. Two young ladies posing outside of house, 124 W. Miller St.
51. Gentleman seated in wicker rocker on porch with woman standing next to him and young girl standing next to her
52. Woman posing by chair
53. Two women posing on porch stairs, 124 W. Miller St
54. Roy or Donnelly McKim (c1905)
55. Two older women standing, two young ladies seated in grass with two children outside of house
56. Two older women, two young ladies, two children all standing outside near porch
57. Two women in kitchen washing dishes, calendar = April 1904
58. Older women sitting in wicker chair (c1907)
59. Two women sitting inside (c1904)
60. Woman portrait (c1902)
61. Woman portrait, full length, inside (c1904)
62. Young woman portrait, sitting inside (c1904)
63. Three women posing together outside, 124 W. Miller St (c1906-1907)
64. Two men posing in front of porch, 124 W. Miller (c1906-1907) [damage to upper left of negative obscuring one man's face]
65. Family picture taken outside, parents with 7 children (c1905)
66. Family picture taken outside, parents with 7 children (c1905)
67. Man and two women posing in outerwear on porch steps
68. Man and woman posing on porch steps (c1906-1907)
69. Four women, one man, one girl posing on porch steps

70. Young lady posing on porch
71. Two young men, two young women posing on ground in front of porch
72. Three women posing, one seated on porch steps with paper in one hand and umbrella in the other, two women standing on either side "fixing" umbrella
73. "Paper Boy", Detroit Free Press Carrier (c1903)
74. "Paper Boy", Detroit Free Press Carrier (c1904)
75. "Paper Boy", Detroit Free Press Carrier, 124 W. Miller St (c1904)
76. "Paper Boy", Detroit Free Press Carrier (c1905)
77. Two women seated in house, 112 W. Oldfield?, (winter 1906-1907)
78. Man standing, 124 W. Miller St?, (c1906-1907)
79. Two young men (c1904)
80. Girl portrait (c1904)
81. Al Muellerweiss? – young man sitting on porch steps with umbrella, 124 W. Miller St (c1904)
82. Boy posing in front of porch steps, 124 W. Miller St [2 gp negatives & b/w print]
83. Child (boy) posing – in plaid outfit standing with one foot on footstool
84. Two children (boys) posing outside, 124 W. Miller St
85. Two children (boys) posing outside on wheelbarrow, 124 W. Miller St
86. Child portrait
87. Older man with young boy hold fish catch on string (4 fish)
88. Fish catch on string (4 fish)
89. Three women sitting on rocky hill [negative has damage] (c1905)
90. Farm [house & barn] with cow and man (c1905)
91. Horse team and large log (c1905)
92. "Team & Tanks" – horse team with sled carrying 2 large tanks, "Star Shoe Store" in background – 120 N. 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave (c1904)
93. Log jam on river [Thunder Bay River?] with man and woman on shore
94. Woods
95. Sunnyside Cottage, Long Lake (c1906-1907)
96. Wooded lake or river shore with 5 canoes and man standing on makeshift dock, Long Lake?
97. Group of people sitting in woods, Long Lake? (c1905)
98. Group of people sitting in woods, Long Lake? (c1905)
99. Man posing in woods (c1905)
100. Man climbing tree (c1905)
101. Man climbing tree (c1905)
102. Two men in woods (c1905)
103. Log stack with man posing (c1905)
104. Man and woman on bridge [sepia tone photograph]
105. Memo from Fred Trelfa to Tankie McKim regarding use of 3 German Hall fire (January 26, 1904) negatives. Note that these negatives are not in this collection.
106. Biography background of McKim Family- obituaries and census records (7 sheets)
107. Filler box that held glass plates from "The Stanley Dry Plate" Co., "Roy Sept 05"