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**Finding Aid to the
Elaine (Levi) Bauer
Collection
1998.01**

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OVERVIEW

Donor: Elaine (Levi) Bauer

Accession Date: 1998

Collection Number: 061

Quantity: 0.1 linear feet + three artifacts

Summary: Woman's wedding dress; boutonniere; man's eyeglasses, circa 1925; Wedding photo and photocopy of marriage certificate, 1925.

Languages: English

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- [Textiles and Clothing Collection Photographs](#)
- [Experiences from My Missionary Life in the Dakotas](#) by Rev. Peter Bauer (translated and edited by Armand and Elaine Levi Bauer)
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BIOGRAPHY

Elaine (Levi) Bauer was born on August 5, 1927, to parents Fred and Christine (Orth) Levi. Elaine married Armand Bauer on March 25, 1949 in McPherson County, South Dakota. The couple had four children: Candice, Debra, Sydney, and Andrew. Dr. Armand Bauer died December 12, 1999, at the age of seventy-five.

Frederick “Fred” Levi was born on May 23, 1903, in South Dakota to parents Fred and Magdalena Levi. Christine (Orth) Levi was born on June 6, 1905, in Artas, South Dakota to parents George and Katherina (Dietrich) Orth. On October 1, 1925, Fred Arthur Levi married Christine Orth in Campbell Country, South Dakota. The couple had two children. Fred Levi died on January 7, 1997.

SCOPE AND CONTENT

The **Elaine (Levi) Bauer Collection** is a textile collection that contains a wedding dress, corsage, eye glasses, and a copy of a wedding photograph and marriage license.

The dress is a wedding gown with a white silk with scallop hemline (without slip or veil). The dress has cap sleeves, flat collar, pearl trim at neckline, and a bow at front. The dress was worn by Christine Orth at her wedding to Fred A. Levi in 1925.

The boutonniere was worn by Fred A. Levi at his wedding to Christine Orth in 1925. The corsage has wax orange blossom flowers, cloth and wire.

The eyeglasses were worn by Fred A. Levi, c. 1925. They are round, horn-rimmed glasses.

The photograph, 1998.01.04, is from the Fredrick A. and Christine (Orth) Levi wedding in 1925. There is also a copy of their marriage license, dated 1 October 1925.

SEPARATION RECORD

The three-dimensional items of the Elaine (Levi) Bauer Collection, 1998.01, are housed within the Emily. P. Reynolds Historic Costume Collection, NDSU. Advance notice is requested for the viewing of these materials.

BOX AND FOLDER LIST

1990s-2000 Small Collections Box

Collection/Folder

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1998.01/3	Copy of marriage license f Fredrick A. and Christine (Orth) Levi, 1925

TEXTILES

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