

Logan triplets delivered by Dr. Clyde S. Smith, Dover, Kansas

Dr. Clyde S. Smith practiced medicine in Willard, Kansas, from around 1905 to 1922, when he moved to Rossville, Kansas. He practiced medicine in Rossville until 1959. Delivering triplets was one of the highlights of Dr. Clyde S. Smith's medical career. The three baby girls were born to Mr. and Mrs. Tom Logan of Dover, Kansas, in April 1933. Since he did not have an incubator into which he could place the babies, he turned one room into a nursery and carefully regulated the heat. The infants responded quickly to the makeshift conditions and were soon gaining weight and doing very well. The girls were named Margaret (Mrs. James Phillips of Americus, Kansas), Mary (Mrs. Maurice Gleason of Dover), and Margery (Mrs. Gail Blythe of Dover). It is unclear in which order the girls are standing in the picture. This photograph is provided through a pilot project to host unique cultural heritage materials from local libraries on Kansas Memory and was accomplished by mutual agreement between the Northeast Kansas Library System, the Rossville Community Library, and the Kansas Historical Society.

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