

**Profile of Georgina Thomson
(from Archives Canada)**



Georgina Helen Thomson, 1892-1963, was born in Galt, Ontario. She came to Parkland, Alberta with her parents in 1904.

She attended Alberta Normal School (Calgary Normal School) and taught for six years. In 1919, she graduated with a Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in English from the University of Alberta, and she subsequently taught high school in Vermilion and Calgary.

In 1923, she joined the Calgary Public Library where she remained until 1957. She ran the reference department and became known as "the answer lady".

She was a member of the University Women's Club, Calgary Women's Literary Club, Historical Society of Alberta, and Mount Royal College Educational Club.

She authored "Crocus and Meadowlark Country: Recollections of a happy childhood and youth on a homestead in Southern Alberta", published in 1963 by Institute of Applied Art. It describes farm life in the early 1900s.