

Trowel used by Alice Bemis Taylor  
to lay the official cornerstone on  
December 20, 1922

Photo of Alice Bemis Taylor laying  
the cornerstone to start  
construction on the Day Nursery

First History of Children book  
with enrollment records dating  
back to August 1, 1914

Medical equipment once  
used during basic exams and  
operations, such as  
Tonsillectomies and  
Appendectomies, on the second  
floor of the Day Nursery

Original glass light sconce

Original whimsical doorknob with  
rabbit design

Pieces of original Vermont slate  
roof tiles

Early fundraising book from the  
Day Nursery with pictures of the  
playroom murals painted by Allen  
Tupper True

Reproductions of the architectural  
blueprints for the Day Nursery  
building (below)

Wooden plaque carved with the Taylor family crest which depicts: an armored gauntlet grasping a javelin, boar heads, running greyhounds, spears, and the motto "He accomplishes what he undertakes" in French

Box of copper etching plates  
printed with  
scenes from the Colorado Springs  
Day Nursery

Photo of Alice Bemis Taylor  
receiving an award for her  
contributions to the community

Engraved silver platter, awarded to  
Alice Bemis Taylor by the City  
Council of Colorado Springs in 1935



Reproductions of a Northwestern  
Miller article and panoramic photo  
highlighting the bag manufacturing  
plants owned by Judson Bemis and  
his brother, Stephen Bemis

Photo of Alice Bemis Taylor with  
daughter, Alice Doree Taylor

Oil pastel of Alice Doree Taylor at 5  
years old; made by a miniaturist in  
Louisville, KY, as a gift for Alice  
Bemis Taylor from Mary Laffiatt

Photos of Alice Bemis Taylor and  
her husband, Frederick M. P. Taylor

Photo of Alice Bemis Taylor  
standing in front of the Day  
Nursery

Official marriage certificate for  
Alice Bemis and Frederick M.P.  
Taylor in Colorado Springs on April  
21, 1903, with envelope

Photos of Alice Bemis Taylor's  
husband, Frederick M.P. Taylor

Silver utensils owned by the Taylor family (left to right): sterling bowl, Tiffany & Co. server, sugar container, snuff spoons and box (with Judson Moss Bemis' initials), two candle holders (with Alice Bemis' initials), a bell (initials A.B.), and a small gravy boat (initials A.B.)

Photo of Alice Bemis Taylor's  
headstone at Evergreen Cemetery  
in Colorado Springs; she died on  
June 23, 1942, and was buried next  
to her husband.

Alice Bemis Taylor's personal Bible

Original photos of the Taylor family  
home in Colorado Springs, La Foret  
(now a conference and retreat  
center), and a Santos altar

Brochure about the Santos Church,  
composed by Alice Bemis Taylor

Reference diary used by Alice Bemis  
Taylor to manage her events and  
contacts

Book about Santos artwork, which  
Alice Bemis Taylor collected and  
donated to the Colorado Springs  
Fine Arts Center



Scale once used to monitor  
children's weight in the old medical  
ward.

Children from working families  
who came to the Day Nursery when  
it first opened in 1923 were often  
malnourished

Custom child-sized furniture,  
two chairs and a table, like those  
still used in the library and  
dining hall

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