



Collection Summary

Title

Kraft Family papers

Date

Undated

Extent

1 folder

Name and Location of Repository

Midwest Genealogy Center, Independence (Mo.)

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Kraft Family

Biographical History

The Kraft family emigrated from Germany to Russia during the early 1800s. Like many other Germans who moved to a farm and settled Russia's growing empire, the Krafts established a farm in Ukraine. Second generation Martin Kraft and his wife Katherine continued the farming tradition. Their son, Frank was born in 1866 and married Mary Kline in 1888.

Frank and Mary Kraft immigrated to the United States from Russia around 1909. Their seven children also immigrated at this time. The family arrived in Baltimore by ship and then took a train to Aberdeen, South Dakota. The family established themselves in the Aberdeen community working in the construction and railroad industries.

Descendants of Frank and Mary Kraft continue to live in the upper Midwest region.

Scope and Content

This collection contains family history documents for the Kraft family, including: family group charts, autobiography, oral histories, research images, journal pages, and photographs.



Collection Inventory

System of Arrangement

These records are arranged in one series.

Series 1, Kraft family history, undated

- Item 1, Family Group Charts beginning with Martin Kraft
- Item 2, Autobiography of Andrew Kraft
- Item 3, Oral History of Jacob (Jack) Kraft
- Item 4, Oral History of Russell (Bud) Schile
- Item 5, Scanned images of handwritten research notes
- Item 6, Scanned pages from Mary Kraft's journal
- Item 7, Scanned photographs of various Kraft family members

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The collection is open for research use by appointment.

Physical Access

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Conditions Governing Reproduction and Use

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Languages and Scripts of the Material

Materials in the collection are predominantly in English.

Finding Aid

Name index is available from the archivist.

Immediate Source of Acquisition

This collection was donated by Lillian Millbrandt Egleston.

Accruals

No further accruals are expected for this collection.

Existence and Location of Originals

Originals owned by the Midwest Genealogy Center.