



BHC-MSS 0212
Guide to the Papers of the Schultz Family
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Descriptive Summary

Creator: Schultz family

Title: Papers of the Schultz Family

Dates: 1881-1972

Quantity: 1 manuscript box

Abstract. Primarily containing photographs of family life in early 20th Century Bridgeport, the papers of the Schultz family offer insight into German-American life in the city through both photographs and documentation.

Language: English

Repository: Bridgeport History Center

Biographical History:

Joseph Shultz Senior appears to have been born in May 1883, and died on July 17, 1972. He and his wife, Lillian, had one son together, Joseph Jr. and a daughter named Lillian May (1914-1932.) Precious little about his life is clear, other than a brief obituary in the Bridgeport Post on July 19, 1972, which states he was a former general superintendent of Jenkins Valve, and documentation in the collection which shows him working at the Crane Company. The obituary also notes he was a member of St. John's Lodge. Based on additional documents in the collection, Joseph Sr. appears to have done some civil service, as well as worked in the construction trade. Lillian died in 1961.

Joseph Shultz Jr. appears to have been born in 1906, but no further information regarding him or his date of death has been located. He is not buried in the family plot with his parents or sister.

Scope and Content note:

The bulk of the material primarily comes in the form of photographs, which offer excellent insight into the early and mid-20th Century Bridgeport experience. It also features some family vacation photographs. The other material consists of select items related to highlights of life in business in the early and mid-20th Century in Bridgeport.

Arrangement Note:

Material is divided into the papers of Joseph Sr., Joseph Jr., and family photographs.

Administrative information:

Provenance: 1981.56

Preferred Citation:

Papers of the Schultz Family (BHC-MSS 0212), Bridgeport History Center, Bridgeport Public Library.

Names and Subject Tracings

Personal names

Schultz, Joseph Sr.

Schultz, Joseph Jr.

Subject tracings

Detailed box/folder listing

Box 1

Series I, Papers of Joseph Shultz, Sr.

1. Letter in German, 1881
2. Marriage certificate of Joseph and Lillian Schultz
3. Citizenship papers for Joseph Shultz, 1888
4. Electoral certification for Joseph Shultz, 1904
5. Building contract, 1915
6. Deeds, 1915
7. Letters concerning death and life insurance of Mrs. William Tyriell, 1959
8. Letter to Joseph and Lillian Shultz from grandson in Army, 1959
9. Letters of resignation from Board of Apportionment, Joseph Schultz and John Simpson, 1967
10. Citation from Mayor Curran for Robert Schultz, 1968

Series II, Papers of Joseph Shultz Jr.

11. Catechism in German belonging to Joseph Shultz, Jr., 1912
12. Military census agent appointment for Joseph Shultz, Jr., 1917
13. Jenkins Brothers veterans league programs, 1947-1948
14. Jenkins Brothers misc., 1947-1959
15. Letters from Bridgeport mayors, 1951-1967
16. Get well card, 1964
17. Business card, undated

Series III, Photographs

18. Emily Brock Hummel, undated
19. Hummel family, church photos, undated
20. Hummel family picnic, 1885
21. Hummel, grandparents of Lillian, undated
22. John and Jack Hummel, undated
23. Schultz family in a group shot, 1918
24. Schultz family homes, 1907-1909

25. Schultz family misc. , undated
26. Schultz family misc. , undated
27. Walnut Beach, Milford CT, undated
28. Joseph Schultz, undated, undated
29. Joseph and Lillian Schultz, 1946, undated
30. Joseph and Lillian Shultz, 50th anniversary, 1954
31. Joseph Schultz portrait, undated
32. Joseph Schultz, undated
33. Joseph Schultz at work at Crane Co., undated
34. Joseph Schultz at work at Jenkins Bros. , undated
35. Lillian Schultz, undated
36. Mrs. William J. Tyrriel, opera singer, undated
37. Scrapbook, 1919-1972