

Collection #  
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## HERBAUGH AND SEELIG FAMILIES COLLECTION, CA. 1870-1980

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## **COLLECTION INFORMATION**

**VOLUME OF COLLECTION:** 1 manuscript folder, 1 box of black and white photographs, 1 half size box of black and white photographs, four folders of cold storage photographs, 1 tin type, 3 cirkut photographs, 1 folder OVA photographs

**COLLECTION DATES:** ca. 1870s-1980

**PROVENANCE:** Patsy Jabaley, Alpharetta, GA

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## **BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH**

The Herbaugh and Seelig families were both long time residents of Washington Township, Blackford County, Indiana. The families were united by marriage when Walter Seelig married Della May Herbaugh on February 3, 1915 in Hartford City, Indiana. Della May Herbaugh (March 5, 1888-March 28, 1980) was born to Samuel Herbaugh and Alice Casterline in Washington Township, Blackford County, Indiana. She had three siblings, Carl (Henrietta Sameuk), Lena (Ray Ford) and James (Mary Ellen Trant). Della attended the local schoolhouse at Wadle, Indiana and married former school teacher and farmer Walter Seelig. Walter (April 15, 1883-March 3, 1966) was a graduate of the Marion Normal School and was the grandson of early Blackford County resident Frederick Seelig and son of Isaac and Sarah (Russell) Seelig. Walter was the middle child, with an older brother, Frank (Inez Martin), and a younger sister, Millie. Della and Walter inherited Frederick Seelig's farm and had two daughters, Catharine (Seelig) Dick and Jessie (Seelig) Newton. Catharine went on to take over residence at the Seelig farm from her parents once they retired.

Sources:

Ancestry.com

Materials in the collection

## **SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE**

This collection contains snapshots, posed studio portraits, postcard photographs, cabinet cards, cirkut photographs, and a few small manuscript materials all relating to the Herbaugh and Seelig families, both of whom resided for multiple generations in Blackford County, Indiana. In general, the images, most from the first half of the twentieth century, are mostly formal portraits of family members and family groups, some candid, and exterior shots of family residences. Many of the photographs are identified, likely by Catharine (Seelig) Dick. The photographs have been grouped together by family member or type of image, and the folders have been arranged in the boxes and in the guide chronologically.

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Clippings, calling cards, and memorial cards relating to the Herbaugh and Seelig families, n.d.

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One studio portrait of the Knox Family taken at Rex Studio, Hartford City, IN, ca. 1870s. Back row L to R: Daniel Knox, Ida Knox Stallsmith, James Knox, Mary Knox Russell. Front row L to R: Mariah Knox Fuller, William Knox, Susan Clevenger Knox, Wesley Knox

One studio portrait of the Russell family, ca. 1870s. Back row L to R: Albert Russell, Samuel Russell, Mary Russell Moon, Sarah Russell Seelig, Henry Russell, Francis Russell. Front row L to R: William Russell, John Russell, Maria Clevenger Russell, Daniel Russell

Three cabinet cards of Casterline and Herbaugh relatives; two of Dearduff family members and one of Charlotte Casterline; a photo postcard from a carry-in dinner with the Perry and Casterline families, ca. 1870s-1900s

Six cabinet cards; one of Isaac and Sarah Seelig with their two oldest children Frank and Walter; and the other five are variations of the three Seelig children, ca. 1880s-1890s

Tintype of infant Della May Herbaugh, ca. 1888

One cabinet card showing Carl and Della Herbaugh as children; one photo portrait of Carl; two photos of Carl and Walter Seelig hunting; one photo of Carl with two unidentified men and their haul of fish caught on a hunt; two photos of Carl, his wife Henrietta and three of their children posing with an automobile, ca. 1890s-1910s

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One cabinet card portrait of Samuel, Alice, Carl and Della Herbaugh, ca. 1890; one photo postcard of the Herbaughs' new Studebaker with Samuel driving; one photo postcard of a large Herbaugh family gathering; five photos of Samuel and Alice with their children and grandchildren, ca. 1910s-1940s

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One studio portrait of eleven young girls dressed in outerwear, with fur stoles and hats taken at G.W. Stewart Studio, Hartford City, IN, ca. 1900s. Back row L to R: Katy Walker, Della Herbaugh, Anna Stollmuth, Lelia Kitterman, Emma Walker. Middle Row L to R: Lizzie [Willmaur?], Ada Kitterman, Millie Seelig, Edith Fuller. Front Row: Eda Kitterman, Bertha Wise

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Two photos of Alice Casterline Herbaugh doing farm chores- feeding chickens and pumping water from the well, ca. 1900s

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Two photos of Della Herbaugh and her classmates outside Wadle School, ca. 1900s

Photographs,  
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One studio portrait of the four Herbaugh children, Carl, Della, Lena, and James, ca. 1900s

Photographs,  
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Five photos of Samuel Herbaugh, one with Pete Casterline and Doc Fuller on butchering day, two of Samuel driving a horse drawn plow, two candid photos, ca. 1900s

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One class photo of Walter Seelig with his class outside of Marion Normal School, ca. 1900s

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Two photos of Walter Seelig with his students at Wadle School and one photograph of the exterior of Wadle School with a short written reminiscence, ca. 1900s

Photographs,  
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Three photos of the exterior of the Seelig home and farm; ten photographs of the Isaac and Mary Seelig family- posing in front of their home, Mary and Millie posing with the family automobile, Walter doing farm chores, ca. 1900s-1910s

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| One photo of James Herbaugh in his Roll High School letter jacket, two photos of James and Mary Ellen Trant on their wedding day, ca. 1920s                                                                                                                                    | Photographs,<br>Box 2, Folder 3  |
| Two photos of Catharine and Jessie Seelig as toddlers, two photos of Catharine and Jessie picnicking outside with their Seelig cousins Harold, Dorothy and Lavonne, one photo of Catharine (Seelig) and Harold Dick, Jessie (Seelig) Newton and Walter Seelig, ca. 1920s-1930s | Photographs,<br>Box 2, Folder 4  |
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