

Collection #
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**ALFRED E. HARWARTH
PAPERS, 1866–1955**

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION: 1 half sized manuscript box, 1 oversized folder, 1 box of photographs; 7 tintype photographs

COLLECTION DATES: 1866–1955

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NOTES:

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Alfred E. Harwarth (1895–1968) was born in Newark, New Jersey, son of German immigrants, Alfred F. and Emma Kuhn Harwarth. After studying mechanical engineering and mathematics at the Technical University, Charlottenburg (Berlin) Germany he returned to the United States where he was employed as an engineer and draftsman in Florida, Georgia and Virginia before coming to Indianapolis in the early 1950s. He also sold real estate and had several business connections with firms in Germany. He died while visiting in Germany and is buried there.

Sources:

Information in collection.

Ancestry, Library Edition, accessed 30 April 2014; <http://www.ancestrylibrary.com>.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection contains Harwarth's family and professional records along with a large number of photographs, 1866–1955. Included are correspondence and documents from Emma Harwarth's family (Fischer) in Germany, 1866–1868; Fischer and Kuhn family correspondence while in Philadelphia, 1897–1909; Alfred Harwarth's employment information, 1942–1950s; business dealings with companies in Germany, 1929–1955; and documents and record from 1912 to 1945 including Alfred's father's naturalization papers, 1895, his parent's marriage license, 1894; and U.S. Passports for family members.

Also in the collection are a significant number of photographs mainly from the 1870s to the 1940s. Included are family portraits for the Harwarth, Kuhn and Fischer families in Newark, New Jersey, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and Berlin, Germany; family photographs of families and vacations in Germany, New York and Paris, France.

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