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**DR. JOHN P. FRANZ
PHOTOGRAPHS, CA. 1870–1930**

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION: 1 half size photograph box, 2 OVA photograph folders, 1 manuscript folder

COLLECTION DATES: ca. 1870–1930

PROVENANCE: Wheeler Mission Ministries, Indianapolis, Indiana

RESTRICTIONS: None

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NOTES:

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

John P. Franz was a physician practicing in downtown Indianapolis, Indiana, in the early 1900s. John was born in Indianapolis on 7 October 1860 to German immigrants John and Margaret Franz. John's father was a laborer and when time came for John to get a job, he found work as a cigar maker. A few years into this work, John decided to get a higher education. He graduated from the American Medical College of Indianapolis in 1897 and was the first candidate for an Indiana State Medical Exam before the state board.

In John's personal life, he spent several years as a divorcee before he married his second wife, Ada Millspaugh Veatch (1864–1930) on 17 August 1908. While the couple had no children of their own, Ada had a child named Dora Belle Veatch from her previous marriage. Dora had two children, William Gaddis and Violet Gaddis (later Morris).

John Franz died on 18 October 1929.

Sources:

Ancestry.com

Materials in collection

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

This collection is primarily made up of black and white photographs of John Franz and his family. There are two photographs that show John in his role as a physician: one of John in front of his practice and one of him performing surgery on a patient. There are also two postcards addressed to the Franz's and a birth announcement card.

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Dr. John P. Franz, ca. 1870s–1910s

Dr. John P. Franz with Family and Friends, ca. 1880–1922

Dora, William, and Violet Gaddis, ca. 1900–1920

Violet Gaddis Morris, ca. 1900–1920s

Post Cards to John and Ada Franz, 1908 and 1919;
Birth Announcement from Kirschman's to Ada, 1930

Hamer Mill in Mitchell Indiana, ca. 1910

Dr. John P. Franz: Outside of Practice and Performing
Surgery, ca. 1910–1920

Unidentified People, n.d.

First Communion Group Photograph, n.d.

CONTAINER

Photographs:
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Photographs:
Box 1, Folder 2

Photographs:
Box 1, Folder 3

Photographs:
Box 1, Folder 4

Manuscripts:
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Photographs:
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OVA Photographs:
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Box 1, Folder 6

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