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**INDIANAPOLIS PUBLIC SCHOOL NO. 52 FIFTIETH
ANNIVERSARY, REUNION CLASS OF 1921
COLLECTION 1921; 1971**

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION:	1 manuscript folder, 1 folder of black-and-white photographs, 1 folder of color photographs
COLLECTION DATES:	1921; 1971
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BIOGRAPHICAL/HISTORICAL SKETCH

Indianapolis Public School no. 52 was built in 1896 at the corner of King Avenue and West Walnut Street to serve as an elementary school. The school was also known as the Emmanuel Haugh School and was named after the founder of the Haughville, the surrounding neighborhood. A second building was added to the property in 1909 to accommodate for resulting overcrowding from increased construction and expansion in Haughville.

Gertrude Soeurt was born ca. 1907 in Amsterdam, Holland to Gertrude and William Soeurt. She attended Indianapolis Public School no. 52 as part of the class as 1921. At some time after starting high school, Soeurt began developing a privately-owned film library. She collected photographs, biographies, stills, casting lists, and fan club publications relating to films and screen plays from the late 19th century into the mid-20th century. Gertrude died in June 1987.

Sources:

Ancestry.com

Materials in collection

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SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

This collection contains photographs and manuscript material relating to Indianapolis Public School no. 52 and Gertrude Soeurt. The manuscripts include labels of the students in the class of 1921 photograph, correspondence between Gertrude Soeurt and Elizabeth Downing about the 50th anniversary reunion, and lists of names and addresses of the class of 1921 members. The manuscripts also contain a copy of an article written by Gertrude Soeurt featured in the 1941 issue of "Between Ourselves" about her privately-owned film library. The photographs include one color photograph of two teachers at the 50th anniversary reunion and a black and white photograph of the class of 1921.

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