SCHLENSKER AND THEILIG FAMILIES
NOTEBOOK, 2019

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION: 2 folders

COLLECTION DATES: 2019

PROVENANCE: Louise (Theilig) Lamkin, Indianapolis, March, 2019

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NOTES:
BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Henry Schlensker (1882-1958) was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, and came to Indianapolis before 1910 where he was a gardener. He married Sophia Pattman in July, 1907. They had two children.

Richard Gotthilff Theilig (1909-1989) was born in Flensburg, Scheswig-Holstein, Germany, and came to the United States in 1927 settling in Indianapolis. He was sponsored by and worked for Henry Schlensker in his southside market. In September, 1935 he married Erika Mendal. In the 1930s he moved to Batesville, Indiana, after Mr. Schlensker told him that he could no longer afford to employ him. After failing to find employment in Indianapolis, Theilig was able to purchase a farm in Batesville where he remained until his death.

Sources:
Information in collection.
SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection consists of two folders of copies and documentation from scans of Richard Theilig and Henry Schlenker used in the Indiana Historical exhibit of “German Growers of Indianapolis,” 2019. The copies consist of images of Schlensker, Theilig, their families and the fields of crops grown on the farm. There is also a copy of the affidavit filed by Schlenker in support of Theilig’s visa. The items in this collection were compiled from the albums Schlensker and Theilig families by Louise Theilig Lamkin.

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