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**WOLFF AND FLICKENGER FAMILIES
COLLECTION, 1823-1970**

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION: 1 and ½ manuscript boxes; 1 flat manuscript box; 1 oversized manuscript folder; ½ box photographs; 1 PAA photo album; 4 artifacts; 6 printed volumes

COLLECTION DATES: 1823-1970

PROVENANCE: Florence “Florrie” Binford Cooper, Indianapolis, Indiana, October, 2019

RESTRICTIONS: None

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RELATED HOLDINGS: Florence Flickenger Wolff Diaries (M 1176); Thomas Binford Collection (M 1201); Thomas Binford Collection Addition (M 1476)

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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES

Prominent individuals mentioned in Wolff and Flickenger Collection include Florence Flickenger Wolff, her husband Herman C. Wolff, her father Doctor Elmer E. Flickenger, and their daughter, Florence Wilson Wolff.

Elmer E. Flickenger (1862-1932) was born in Willoughby, Ohio, and attended Otterbein College where he received a medical degree in 1885. One year later, he married Florence Wilson. After practicing medicine for six years in Emporia, Kansas, he entered the insurance business for John Hancock Life Insurance Company in 1891 and was eventually promoted to general agent in Indiana, settling in Indianapolis. In 1892 he formed a partnership under the name of Williams and Flickenger. When Williams retired in 1903, Flickenger assumed sole control of the agency until his death.

Florence Flickenger Wolff, the daughter of Elmer Flickenger (1895-1970) was born in Willoughby, Lake County, Ohio. She was a music teacher when she married Herman Wolff in June, 1915. Florence was involved in civic activities and was an active writer.

Louis Henry Wolff (1862-1932) was born in New Richmond, Ohio. Upon completing his education, he went to Topeka, Kansas, where he worked in his father mercantile business. In October, 1886, he married Winifred Clark, the daughter of Julius and Juliette Clark, a lawyer and investor in Topeka. They had two children, a daughter, Jessie Georgia, and a son, Herman C. The Wolffs came to Indianapolis in 1895 as an agent for the Aetna Insurance Company. In 1923 he was made assistant manager of the firm's national branch in Chicago, where he remained for six years before returning to Indianapolis.

Herman C. Wolff (1890-1955) was born in Topeka, Kansas and moved to Indianapolis with his family in 1896. Wolff attended Wabash College and Harvard University. After graduating he became an insurance adjuster in Indianapolis where he was also involved in civic and cultural activities, especially the well being of children. During World War I served with the U. S. Army in France and the occupation of Germany. Wolff ran for mayor of Indianapolis on the Republican Party ticket but lost to the incumbent, Reginald Sullivan.

Florence Wilson Wolff, (1921-1999) was the daughter of Herman and Florence Wolff. She was born in Evanston, Illinois, attended Tudor Hall School in Indianapolis, and the Arthur Jordan Conservatory of Music at Butler University. She married Thomas Binford in June, 1946. They had two children, Florence (Florrie) Cooper and Wilson C. Binford. The couple were later divorced, and she married Charles Edson in 1967. The couple resided in Logansport, Cass County, Indiana.

Sources:

Information in collection

Ancestry, Library Edition, accessed 13 December 2019

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The primary individuals in this collection are Henry C. Wolff and his wife, Florence Flickenger Wolff. The bulk of their materials involve correspondence, writings, general information and newspaper clippings. Included are Henry Wolff's letters to Florence while serving in France and with the army of occupation, 1918-1919, as well as a diary he kept from December, 1917-November, 1918, and items regarding his campaign for mayor in 1938. Much of Florence's portion include diaries written in 1930 and 1932 and papers presented for organizations such as the Indianapolis Literary Club.

Other items in the collection includes items from their daughter Florence Wilson Wolff such as a diary from 1931, school papers, and a scrapbook from her high school years at Tudor Hall, 1936-1939. There also are items regarding Elmer Flickenger, Julius and Juliet Clark, Mrs. Winifred Wolff, Mrs. Louis Wolff, and Sidney Wilson. Also included are family photos from the Wolff family, ca. 1890s-1920s, and a photo album from the Millard Family, Rushville, New York, ca. 1880s. Millard was the maiden name of Juliet Clark.

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