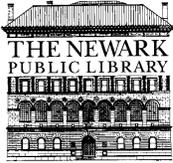


Charles W. Holton Family Scrapbooks 1936



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Abstract

The Charles W. Holton Family Scrapbooks contain photographs, narratives, and maps documenting a 1936 trip to England and Sweden taken by the Holton family, of Essex Fells, New Jersey.

Biographical Note

Newark native Charles W. Holton (1882-1970) was the son of Charles (1848-1917) and Louise S. Holzhauer (1852-1930). Holton, who changed his name sometime after his father's death, was a graduate of Newark Academy (1900), Princeton University (AB, 1905), and the New York College of Pharmacy. Holton and I. Louise Dohme (1883-1969) were married in 1907; the couple had five children: Charles D., Robert K. (1911-1998), Nancy E., Jean L. and Kathryn B.

The senior Charles Holzhauer was born in Germany, but emigrated to Newark with his parents at the age of 3. He was a graduate of the New York College of Pharmacy (1872), and by 1880 was the owner of a pharmacy at 787 Broad Street on the corner of Market Street. He was active in the High Street Presbyterian Church, and was a "life member" (1891-1917) of the New Jersey Historical Society. All three generations of the Holzhauer / Holton family were living in a large brownstone home at 732 High Street, on the corner of Spruce Street, at the time of his death. The Holzhauer home and surrounding lots were sold in 1922 to the Newark Maternity Hospital, which was adjacent to their property.

After graduating from the New York College of Pharmacy, Holton joined his father at the pharmacy on Broad Street. The pharmacy was incorporated shortly before his father's demise, with Holton acting as the secretary and treasurer of the business. Holton, as his father had been, was active in professional organizations: he was elected president of the New Jersey Pharmaceutical Association (1914), and president of the American Pharmaceutical Association (1924-1925). Also like his father, Holton was a member of the High Street Presbyterian Church, serving as President of the Board of Trustees. Once the family moved to Essex Fells, Holton joined in civic affairs there, serving as mayor of the township from 1930-1951.

The family took lengthy trips, primarily in the United States, but also in Europe, nearly every year throughout the 1930s. In 1936, six members of the Holton family: parents Louise and Charles; children Robert, Nancy, Jean and Teppy [Kathryn?]; and Louise's sister and brother-in-law Adele and Edward True, spent several weeks traveling throughout England and Sweden.

Scope and Content

This collection consists of 4 volumes of scrapbooks containing photographs, narratives, and maps that document a Holton family trip to England and Sweden (May-July, 1936). The volumes, rather lavish by scrapbook standards, are hand-bound in leather with marbled end pages; the covers and spines are tooled in gold; and each volume is housed in an individual handmade box. "Mother" (Louise Holton) wrote the narratives of the trip; "Bob" (Robert Holton) created the maps and title pages; "Father" (Charles Holton), and "Nan," Jean, and "Teppy" (Nancy, Jean and Kathryn? Holton) were responsible for the photographs.

Volumes 1-3, contain c. 300 black and white photographs with hand written labels documenting the family's voyage from New York, and travel throughout England. Images include shipboard scenes, and tourist sites such as cathedrals and castles, but also include scenes of rural and village life, and photographs of members of the Holton and True family; Volume 1 also includes a hand drawn map (2 pages), typed itinerary (2 pages), and a typed narrative (20 pages)

Volume 3 is devoted almost entirely to London and includes several images of a peace rally including shots of placards carried in the rally, two men carrying a sign for Stalin, peace broadsides, and individuals and groups watching or participating in the rally.

Volume 4, contains a hand drawn map (1 page), typed itinerary (3 pages), typed narrative (21 pages), and c.115 photographs of churches, towns, farms, and rural scenes including picnics, outings, etc., of the family's trip through Sweden.

Related Collections

Charles Holton "Southward to the Florida Keys" Album, Special and Area Studies Collections, George A. Smathers Libraries, University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida.

<http://web.uflib.ufl.edu/spec/pkyonge/holton.htm>