Guide to the Hoevelmann Family collection

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Overview of the Collection

Title: Hoevelmann Family collection

Date (inclusive): circa 1890-1955

Collection number: USDSC_2013_001

Creator: Moran, Patrice

Extent: 2 boxes plus 1 framed item, (2 linear feet)

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Abstract: This collection includes memorabilia from the 1936 Summer Olympic Games in Berlin, video footage of the 1936 Winter Olympics, and family photographs and video clips of the Hoevelmann family.

Languages: English German

Biographical Note

Theodore Hoevelmann was born in Germany in 1851. Mary Otten was born in Katholisch, Bienen, Rheinland, Prussia on October 9, 1853 to Henrich Otten and Bertha Boecker. Theodore and Mary married on November 16, 1873 in St. Louis, Missouri. Theodore earned a living in St. Louis as a teamster, grocer, and laborer. Mary and Theodore had nine children: Charles, Henry, Lena Altwater, Birdie Cohn, Sophia Kraus, Josie Ebinger, Mamie Sanders, Theodore Jr., and Lulu Nahn. Julia "Lulu" Hoevelmann married James M. Nahn. James worked in real estate in St. Louis, Missouri. They had two children, Mary Lee born October 17, 1918 and James William born January 29, 1921. In 1936, Julia and James traveled with friends on the S.S. Bremen to attend the Summer Olympic Games in Berlin.

Scope and Content Note

This collection includes memorabilia from Julia and James Nahn's travels on the S.S. Bremen, and at the 1936 Olympic Games in Berlin. S.S. Bremen materials include menus marketing the Olympic Games, and a passenger list with ship information. Olympics materials include a ticket book for attendance in the Olympic Stadium on August 2nd through 4th. August 3rd, 1936 was the date Jessie Owens won the gold medal for the 100 meter dash with a time of 10.3 seconds. A propaganda book titled Germany The Olympic Year is included along with film clips of the 1936 Winter Olympic Games. In addition to records pertaining to the Olympic Games, this collection contains family photographs of the Hoevelmann family, and photographs and film clips of family trips throughout Europe and the United States.

Additional Note

While there is reference within the collection to an oral history interview conducted with Patrice Moran, the interview was never recorded.

Access

This collection is open for research.

Preferred citation

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Acquisition Information


Custodial History

Given by Patrice Moran to Derrick Cartwright of USD Galleries in summer 2013. The collection was then transferred to the University of San Diego Archives and Special Collections.

Processing Information

A thorough inventory of the collection materials was completed by Zeke Lihosit October 17, 2013. Additional processing of the collection was conducted by Ashley Toutain in 2018.

Subjects and Indexing Terms

Moran, Patrice

Hoevelmann, Mary Otten, 1853-1938

Hoevelmann, Theodore, 1851-1918
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Nahn, Julia Hoevelmann, 1895-1974
Hitler, Adolf, 1889-1945
Nahn, James, 1894-1955

Subjects and Indexing Terms
Hoevelmann
Nahn

Subjects and Indexing Terms
Venice (Italy)
Saint Louis (Mo.)
Rome (Italy).
Paris (France).
Zion National Park (Utah)
Berlin (Germany)
Garmisch-Partenkirchen (Germany)

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Olympic Games (11th : 1936 : Berlin, Germany)
Olympic Winter Games (4th : 1936 : Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany)
Nazi propaganda
Bremen (Ship)

Box 1, Folder 1  Certificates and family information 1918; 1935; 1941; 1955
Box 1, Folder 2  "Dad" [James Nahn] Portrait by the Gerhard Sisters, St. Louis undated
Box 1, Folder 3  Mary Hoevelmann framed painting; Mary Otten pin; Theodore Otten pin undated
Box 1, Folder 4  James Nahn and Julia Hoevelmann photographs undated; 1942
  Scope and Content Note
  [Childhood and family photographs.]

Box 1, Folder 5  Nahn-Heberer Realty and Budweiser certificate 1930; 1933; 1937
Box 1, Folder 6  Hoevelmann Family photographs circa 1890 - circa 1910
Box 1, Folder 7  Berlin Olympics 1936
  Scope and Content Note
  [Includes the S.S. Bremen passenger list for the voyage departing July 17, 1936. This is the
  ship Julia and James Nahn took to attend the 1936 Summer Olympic Games in Berlin.
  Includes a concert program and menus for meals attended on the S.S. Bremen. Also includes
  a ticket book for seats in the Olympic Stadium between August 2nd and August 4th.]
Box 1, Folder 8  Germany The Olympic Year 1936
  Scope and Content Note
  [Promotional propaganda book of photographs and descriptions about Nazi Germany and it's
  hosting of the 1936 Olympic games. Includes a description of German economic strife
  between 1918 and 1933 and praise for Adolph Hitler's rise to power.]
Box 1, Folder 9  Königsplatz Nazi soldier photographs and Paris souvenir undated
Box 1, Folder 10 Moran photographs of Venice, Rome, Amsterdam, Munich, and London 1947-1955
Box 1, Folder 11 DVD. Compilation of moving image film that was transferred from 8mm film reels to
  DVD.
  Additional Note
  See Box 2, items 1 - 5 for video and film reel descriptions. A disc image and .MOV files have
  also been created of these videos. These are retained in
  CopDarc>Videos/SpecialCollections/Hoevelmann
Box 2, Item 1  
5" 8mm film reel. Label reads "Hitler Winter" 1936
Scope and Content Note
[14.45 minute silent film. Black and white footage of 1936 Winter Games held in Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany including images of Winter Olympics events including figure skating, bobsleigh, ski jumping, ice hockey, alpine skiing, and a view of the USA team. Event footage is interspersed with images of Adolf Hitler motorcade, views of German streets, houses and landscape.]

Box 2, Item 2  
5" 8mm film reel. Label reads "Venice" undated
Scope and Content Note
[11.32 minute silent film. Black and white footage with cameraperson on a canal in a gondola.]

Box 2, Item 3  
5" 8mm film reel. Label reads "1948 COLO COLOR" 1948
Scope and Content Note
[9.12 minute silent film. Color footage of Hoevelmann family at lake with mountain, river and forest scenes.]

Box 2, Item 4  
5" 8mm film reel. Label reads "Zion" undated
Scope and Content Note
[12.50 minute silent film. Color footage of various locations including playing with a dog in winter, in front of a church, at a pool, people boating on a lake, and driving along the coastline.]

Box 2, Item 5  
7" 8mm film reel. Label reads "14096 4- 50’ Reels" undated
Scope and Content Note
[12.50 minute silent film. Color footage of family gathering, scenes of town and resort lined with palm trees, scenes at a zoo and a garden.]

Map Case SC.4, Item 1  
Framed silk print of U.S.S Washington voyages 1906-1910