Astrinsky Family Yiddish - East European Postcard Album, ca. 1900-1924

Collection number: Bernath Mss 108

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Descriptive Summary

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Extent: .2 linear feet (1 half-size box)

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- Santa Barbara, California 93106-9010

Physical location: Del Sur

Language: English.

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Acquisition Information

Scope and Content of Collection
Photograph album in a customized box labeled with the family name Astrinsky. The album contains 53 postcards, some in color, depicting a variety of people and places with messages handwritten in Yiddish. Many are from areas in Eastern Europe including such locales as Warsaw and Bialystok. Captions are in Russian, Polish, Yiddish, and German. Other cards feature locations in the U. S. such as Niagara Falls, Yellowstone National Park, and Santa Barbara, California. A number of the cards are addressed to a Mr. J. Astrinsky in Brooklyn, New York. There are also a handwritten (in Yiddish) note laid in
and three handwritten documents (in Yiddish) tipped in.

Related Material

_Yiddishland_, (postcards compiled with an introduction by Gérard Silvain and Henri Minczeles), Bernath Collection DS 135 EB3 Y5313 1999, contains a brief history of Jewish culture in the major centers of Eastern Europe as well an essay on the importance of postcards in documenting the history of the prewar Jewish population in the region.

Box  Photograph album, ca. 1900 - 1924