Guide to the Micklege and Schultz family papers, circa 1910-1961

Summary Information

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Title: Micklege and Schultz family papers

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Repository: Peters Township Public Library

616 East McMurray Road McMurray, PA 15317

Creator: Shultz and Micklege families

Extent: 0.05 linear feet

Language of materials: All materials are in English.

Abstract: Records consist of photographs of members of the Mathew

Micklege family, and war ration books, photographs, photographic

negatives, a property deed and a 1960 Thompsonville

Sportsmen's Club pin belonging to Elmer Schultz who married

Frances Micklege.

Biography/History

Mathias (Mathew) Micklege (1890-1965) was born in Austria and immigrated to the United States in 1901. He married Mary Lettig (1889-1965) and they had four children: Mary (born 1913), Mathew (born 1914), Frances (born 1915) and Anna (born 1918). The Mickleges lived in the Village of Thompsonville, Peters Township, Washington County, Pennsylvania. Mathew worked in the mines and built two homes in Thompsonville, one of which included a small store where students from the one room school in Thompsonville bought penny candy during recess or at lunchtime.

Mathew's sister Mary Micklege (1893-1978) married Anton Klančar (Klancher)(1884-1942) around 1908.

Frances Micklege (1915-2009), the daughter of Mary and Mathew, married Elmer Schultz (1916-1999). Elmer worked hauling red dog from the mines for the construction of roads in Peters Township. Elmer built and operated the Round Hotel on Route 19, 1½ miles north of Donaldson's Crossroads in the 1950s and 1960s.

Beverly Schultz was born to Frances and Elmer in 1938 in the Village of Thompsonville. She graduated from Peters Township High School in 1955 and later married Edwin (Dutch) School and settled in the Village of Hackett. Beverly sold the Round Hotel building in 2002.

Collection Scope and Content Note

The records consist of photographs of members of the Micklege and Schultz families, and of war ration books, photographic negatives, a property deed and a 1960 Thompsonville Sportsmen's Club pin belonging to Frances's husband Elmer Schultz.

Arrangement

The papers are arranged in 2 series:

Series I. Micklege family photographs, circa 1910-circa 1930

Series II. Elmer Schultz papers, circa 1938-1961

Administrative Information

Access Restrictions:

No Restrictions.

Acquisition Information:

Gifts from Beverly Schultz School.

Custodial History:

Records passed from Frances Micklege Schultz and her husband Elmer Schultz to their daughter Beverly Schultz School who donated them to the Archives.

Accruals note:

No further accruals are expected.

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Series I. Micklege family photographs, circa 1910-circa 1930

Series Scope and Content Note: Series consists of an original wedding photograph of Mathew Micklege and Mary Lettig, circa 1910, undated copies of individual photographs of Mathew and Mary, a copy of a photograph of the wedding party of Mary Micklege and Anton Klancher, circa 1910, a copy of a photograph of a young Frances Micklege with her siblings, circa 1925, a copy of a wedding photograph from the marriage of Frances's sister Mary to Charles Koval taken in front of the Micklege house and store in Thompsonville, circa 1930 and a copy of a photograph of Frances and Elmer Schultz standing on a wall, circa 1935.

Box 1	
Folder 1:	Micklege family photographs, circa 1910-circa 1930

Series II. Elmer Schultz papers, circa 1938-1961

Series Scope and Content Note: Series contains seven black and white photographs. One is of George and Katie Clements with Elmer, Frances and William Schultz (Elmer's brother) in front of the Micklege store in Pleasant Valley in 1938 and another is of Elmer Schultz on his homemade

tractor on Old Route 19 in the 1940s. The five remaining photographs are of Beverly Schultz on her own or with her classmates at McMurray School, 1943-1944.

Series also includes two photographic negatives. One is of Elmer Schultz sitting on a tractor he built, circa 1942. The image was taken in front of a house in Thompsonville, Peters Township, Washington County, Pennsylvania built by his father-in-law Mathew Micklege. The other is of two men constructing the building that became the Round Hotel on Old Route 19, circa 1940s.

Series also contains two war ration books belonging to Elmer Schultz, a 1960 Thompsonville Sportsmen's Club pin (Elmer established the Club in 1960), and a 1961 newspaper photograph and caption from the *Pittsburgh Press* of Elmer and a bear he shot during hunting season. Series also contains a deed to a Peters Township property sold to Elmer Schultz by Mike and Frances Pavlin for \$200.00 on April 30, 1946.

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Folder 2:	Elmer Schultz papers, 1938-1961