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Collection Overview

Repository: Archives Center, National Museum of American History
Title: Charles J. Burggraf Johnstown Flood Collection
Identifier: NMAH.AC.1250
Date: 1880-1989.
Extent: 2.1 Cubic feet (2 boxes, 1 oversize folder)
Creator: Burggraf, Harold L.
Burggraf, Charles J., 1862-1928
Language: English
Digital Content: Image(s): Charles J. Burggraf Johnstown Flood Collection

Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisiton
Donated to the Archives Center in 2011 by Harold Burggraf, the great-nephew of Charles Burggraf.

Processing Information
Collection is unprocessed.

Preferred Citation

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Biographical / Historical
Photographer, Johnstown, Pennsylvania.
Scope and Contents

Documents, photographs, scrapbooks and photograph albums, relating to Charles J. Burggraf, a photographer active in Johnstown, Pennsylvania at the time of the 1889 flood. Some documents, such as a will, deeds, a baptismal certificate, and similar things, predate the flood. Many of the photographs are studio portraits taken by Burggraf. A few photographs depict flood damage, and the albums and scrapbooks relate to the flood. Also included are 1989 newspapers commemorating the 100th anniversary.

Arrangement

1 series.

Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

Subjects:
- Disasters -- Pennsylvania
- Floods
- Floods -- Pennsylvania

Types of Materials:
- Deeds
- Newspapers
- Photographs -- 19th century
- Photographs -- Black-and-white negatives -- Glass -- 19th century
- Scrapbooks
- Wills

Geographic Names:
- Johnstown (Pa.)
- Pennsylvania