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Descriptive Summary

Identifier: ICU.SPCL.STIRN

Title: Stirn, Ernest W. and Henry J. Papers

Date: 1885-1943

Size: 2 linear feet (4 boxes)

Repository: Special Collections Research Center
University of Chicago Library
1100 East 57th Street
Chicago, Illinois 60637 U.S.A.

Abstract: Ernest W. Stirn received an MA in history from the University of Chicago in 1922 and later worked as a statistical consultant for businesses and the government. From 1931 to 1943 he was involved with the Radio-Keith-Orpheum Bankruptcy Reorganization. The University of Chicago Press published a bibliography he had prepared on Robert LaFollette (1937). Among the papers are letters written to and by his father, Henry J. Stirn, printer and expert on the collecting of old violins and stamps.

Information on Use

Access
No restrictions.

Citation
When quoting material from this collection, the preferred citation is: Stirn, Ernest W. and Henry J. Papers, [Box #, Folder #], Special Collections Research Center, University of Chicago Library

Biographical Note

Ernest W. Stirn received his Masters degree in history from the University of Chicago in 1922 and later worked as a statistical consultant for private businesses and the government. Between 1931 and 1943 he was involved with the Radio-Keith-Orpheum Bankruptcy Reorganization. During his lifetime he was also actively interested in the life of Robert M. LaFollette, and in 1937 the University of Chicago Press published a bibliography he had prepared on LaFollette.

Among these manuscripts are letters written to and by his father, Henry J. Stirn, who, in addition to working in his printing company, was an expert on the collecting of old violins and stamps.

Scope Note
The papers are divided into four series. Series I comprises correspondence written and received by Ernest W. Stirn and his father Henry J. Stirn, a printer and collector of antique violins and stamps. Series II includes records of the Radio-Keith-Orpheum Corporation Bankruptcy Reorganization. Series III, Music includes Sheets of music copied from printed manuscripts, music notebooks, and manuscripts of E. W. Stirn’s own compositions. Series IV, Writings, contains essays, reports, and sketches written by E. W. Stirn and The Life of Robert M. LaFollette by E. W. Stirn

Related Resources
The following related resources are located in the Department of Special Collections:

http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/spcl/select.html

Subject Headings
- Stirn, Ernest William, 1895-
- Stirn, Henry J.
- LaFollette, Robert M. (Robert Marion), 1855-1925

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Series I: The Letters of H.J. Stirn and E.W. Stirn

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  H. J. Stirn letters 1885-1899
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Box 1
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  E. W. Stirn 1926-1938 Family letters
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Series II: Radio-Keith-Orpheum Corporation Bankruptcy Reorganization

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Series III: Music

Box 3
  Sheets of music copied from printed manuscripts, music notebooks, and manuscripts of E. W. Stirn's own compositions

Series IV: Writings

Box 4
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