

Swenson Swedish Immigration Research Center

Marie Johnson Munson papers, 1914

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.25 linear ft (1 box)

- Creators:** Munson, Marie Johnson (1877-1957)
Munson, Otto (1871-1944)
- Language:** Swedish, with English translations
- Access:** The collection is open for research onsite. A limited amount of photocopies may be requested via mail.
- Subject headings:** Letter writing--20th century
Love-letters
Courtship
Rochelle (Ill.)
DeKalb (Ill.)
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Custodial history

The collection was donated to the Swenson Center by Corinne Johnson, a great-niece to Otto and Marie Munson.

Biographical note

Otto Fabian Munson was born in Skatelov parish, Kronobergs län, Sweden, on December 9, 1871, to Magnus and Anna Magnusson. Otto immigrated to the United States in 1900. His five brothers and one sister came also, at different times. They settled in the DeKalb/Sycamore, Illinois area. Otto then moved west to the Rochelle/Kings, Illinois area.

Marie worked as a maid in DeKalb, Illinois at the home of James Ellwood Lewis and family, until her marriage to Otto.

Otto and Marie settled on a farm in the Kings, Illinois area before moving to a home on North 13th Street in DeKalb.

Content

The collection contains seven love letters written by Otto Munson while living in Rochelle, Illinois to Marie Johnson in DeKalb, Illinois in 1914. Included are also typewritten translations of the letters and a scrapbook with photographs of Otto and Marie Munson and their property.

The letters were translated by Ingolf Larsson of Grimslöv, Sweden in 1982.

Folder inventory

1. 7 letters from Otto Munson to Marie Johnson, 1914. With typed transcription or English translation.

2. Handwritten translation of letters

Scrapbook containing photocopies of letters along with original photographs of Otto and Marie Munson. Also includes their obituaries.

Publication note

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