

Collection Name:

August Reymert papers, 1832-1945

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Extent:

2.4 cubic feet (6 archives boxes)

Biography/History:

August Reymert was born on October 4, 1851 in Vågå, Norway. He died on May 31, 1932 in Long Island, New York, United States. He was the son of Theodor DeNoon Reymert and Anne Malene Beer. August was a lawyer in New York City, and served as president of the Norwegian-American Chamber of Commerce in New York. August Reymert was the lawyer and legal representative of Ole Herman Krag and Erik Jørgensen who were the developers of the Krag-Jørgensen rifle. This rifle was the standard rifle of the American Army in 1892. Reymert was also a founder of the Scandinavian Seamen's Home in New York and of the Norwegian hospital in Brooklyn. He was named Knight, First Class, of the Order of St. Olav and was decorated with the Vasa Order.

Christen Reymert (1782–1868), a shipowner and merchant in Leith in Scotland, later customs treasurer in Farsund. Christen was August's grandfather. **Jeanette Sinclair Denoon Reymert** (1788–1843), born in Scotland. She was married to Christen Reymert, and August's grandmother. Christen and Jeanette had three children: Christian, Theodor, and James.

Theodor Denoon Reymert (1815-1891), father of August Reymert. Theodor was a brigade doctor and a major in the sanitation division of the Norwegian army. Theodor married Anne Malene Beer. Together they had six children: Jenny, Thorwald, Caroline, August, Theodore, and Elisabeth. **James Denoon Reymert** (1821-1889), an American newspaper editor, mine operator, lawyer and politician. He was a pioneer settler near Muskego, and was an editor of the first Norwegian-American newspaper, *Nordlyset*. James Reymert was August Reymert's uncle.

Scope and Content:

Correspondence, clippings, articles, reports, and photographs of a Norwegian-born New York attorney. The correspondence deals largely with family affairs in America, Norway, and Scotland. The letters by James Denoon Reymert, August's uncle, first editor of *Nordlyset* (1847), first Norwegian-American member of a Wisconsin State Legislature, and attorney, deal with opportunities for law practice on the American frontier. Ole Bull was also a correspondent. Other items include biographical sketches of family members, a family chart, and an article about Hans Balling, the portrait painter.

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Bibliographic Citation

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Box	Folder	Description
1	1	James Denoon Reymert correspondence, 1839-1896
1	2	James Denoon Reymert correspondence, 1862-1939 Includes H.C. Heg letter, address given by Martin L. Reymert, "James Denoon Reymert and the Norwegian Press."
1	3	James Denoon Reymert correspondence, articles, and reports, 1854-1922 Includes "The J.D. Reymert Mining Company, Reymert, Arizona President's Report," (1891); "'Time' a lecture delivered at the M.E. Church, Globe Arizona Territory (Feb. 23, 1882) by J.D. Reymert, editor of the "Pinal Drill," Penal, Arizona Territory.; "Agreement between Ole Bull and 'The Ole Bull Piano Company'" (1870).
1	4	Correspondence with relatives, 1876-1927
1	5	Theodore D. Reymert papers, 1832-1908
1	6	Correspondence, articles, and programs, 1868-1924 Includes a Cunard Steamship List of Saloon Passengers for R.M.S. "Umbria," (1898); White Star Line Saloon Passenger List for Royal and U.S. Mail S.S. Majestic (1898); real photo postcard with likeness of Ole Theobaldi (1905); manuscript of address, "Why we [Norwegian Americans] Stick Together," (undated).
1	7	August Reymert correspondence, 1864-1932 Includes 2 p. typescript copy of letter to editor, "Scandinavian Immigration and the 'quota' law," (undated)
1	8	Martin L. Reymert articles, 1939-1945 Includes address given by Martin L. Reymert, "James Denoon Reymert and the Norwegian Press," (1939); "Juvenile Delinquency in a Democracy," (1944); "An Apparent Case of Neurotic Influence on Somatic Function," (1944); "The Mooseheart System of Child Guidance," (1945); "The Growth and Decline of a Children's Slang Vocabulary at Mooseheart, a Self-contained community," (1945) by Edmund Kasser and M.L. Reymert;
1	9	Correspondence and clippings, 1883-1917
1	10	Clippings, 1912-1927 Includes clipping, "Senator Knute Nelson," by A. Reymert (undated.).

2	1	Krag-Jorgensen correspondence, 1894-1897
2	2	Krag-Jorgensen correspondence, 1898-1900
2	3	Krag-Jorgensen correspondence, 1901
2	4	Krag-Jorgensen correspondence, 1902
2	5	Krag-Jorgensen correspondence, 1903
2	6	"Conversations..." record shortly before his death, 1932
2	7	Estate papers, 1889 Includes Estate of Melina Lucas; Estate of Gabriel Marc.
3	1	College album, 1923-1926 Includes "The Conococheague" annual for class of 1911, Wilson College, Chambersburg, PA. & a commencement program.
3	2	Madeline Rymert high school album and photographs, 1904-1907 Includes three photos of the girls basketball team.
3	3	Articles by and about August Reymert, 1882-1923
3	4	Photo Album belonging to Jenny Reymert, undated
3	5	Account book, August Reymert, 1923-1926
4	1	Journal, 1867-1880
4	2	Journal, 1880-1892
5	1	Journal, 1892-1895
5	2	Journal, 1895-1905.
5	3	Journal, 1900-1909
6	1	Journal, 1907-1914
6	2	Journal, 1914-1925