

Collection Name: Abraham Jacobson papers, 1848-1989

Collection Number: P0671

Extent: 0.8 cubic feet (2 archives boxes)

Abstract: Articles, clippings, obituaries, memoirs, correspondence, pictures, and scrapbooks of a Norwegian-born clergyman and farmer. The scrapbooks contain clippings taken largely from "Decorah-Posten:" obituaries, biographic sketches of Dakota pioneers, and items concerning Norwegian pioneer associations, Lutheran church conventions, Det Norske Selskap, Norsk-danske presseforening i Amerika, and Jacobson's contacts with Abraham Lincoln, "Decorah-Posten," and "Nordlyset." There are items about Rasmus B. Anderson, L. W. Boe, Gjermund Hoyme, U. V. Koren, Bernt J. Muus, Knute Nelson, Oley Nelson, Halle Steensland, Peer Strømme, Hans G. Stub, and Oscar M. Torrison.

The articles consist of biographies of Winneshiek County, Iowa, pioneers: Jacob Aga, Ole Andreas Anderson, Gunder H. Blegeberg, Ove Christian Johnson Hallan, Thor Halvorson, Tolleiv Halvorson, Johan Hegg, Christopher T. Hoyme, Andrew O. Lommen, Ole T. Lommen, Lars Iverson Melaas, and Knudt Thompson. The correspondence and other articles concern Jacobson's mission to the Gaspé settlement in the 1860s. Jacobson was the first Lutheran clergyman to preach in Dakota Territory and the first Norwegian in the Decorah area.

| Box | Folder | Description |
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| 1 | 1 | "Pioneer Memoirs and Stories of the Jacobson Immigration and Pioneer Life," undated Organized by Rolf Hovey, Mary Bjerke and Janet Johnson, Compiled by Charlotte Jacobson. |
| 1 | 2 | Jacobson ancestry chart, 1938-1986 |
| 1 | 3 | Hegg family, 1936-1986 |
| 1 | 4 | Obituaries, 1879-1989 Including Charlotte, Eugene, Henning. |
| 1 | 5 | Farmstead, 1973-1989 |
| 1 | 6 | Ø. Gullixsen article, "A Piece of Upper Telemark--in Iowa," 1984 |
| 1 | 7 | Pioneer memoirs, 1872-1938 |
| 1 | 8 | Photographs, undated |
| 1 | 9 | Correspondence, 1848-1890 Photocopies of correspondence with Jakob Abrahamsen Stenbøle, Osten Olsen Rollag, Knut Dahle. |
| 1 | 10 | Anna Spafford letters, 1894 Photocopies. |
| 1 | 11 | Old Settlers Society biographies and reports, 1896-1964 |
| 1 | 12 | Robert Lincoln letter and memoir, 1883 A Pioneer Pastor Who Knew A. Lincoln" by Clara Jacobson, and clipping "Personal Reminiscences of Abraham Lincoln" by Rev. A. Jacobson (1927. added photocopy of St. Olaf college student |

newspaper, Manitou Messenger: Personal Reminiscences of
Abraham Lincoln (Feb. 1909).

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| 1 | 13 | Family reunions and correspondence, 1982-1989 |
| 2* | 1 | Notebook used at the school in Springfield, Illinois, 1858 |
| 2* | 2 | Scrapbook, 1898-1899 |
| 2* | 3 | Scrapbook, 1899-1903 |
| 2* | 4 | Scrapbook, 1903-1905 |
| 2* | 5 | Scrapbook, 1895 |
| | | "Pariens Saga." |