# **Henschel Collection (SC158)**

#### Introduction

The Henschel Collection consists of correspondence, ephemera, and photographs relating to Leopold H. Henschel's work with the Mexican Isthmus Company and the Mexican Colonization Company, and Henschel family members.

# Descriptive Summary

Title: Henschel Collection Dates: 1911-1959 and n.d. Size: 0.04 linear feet, 4 folders Collection Number: SC158

### **Donor Information**

Found in collection

#### Citation Note

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#### Biographical/Historical Sketch

Leopold Henry Henschel was born on December 27, 1865 in New York City, and later moved to Kansas City, Missouri. Henschel served as treasurer for the Mexican Isthmus Company, a corporation that mined sulfur deposits along the Gulf of Tehuantepec, and also worked with Mexican Colonization Company leading trips of investors from the United States to Mexico. He died on February 15, 1929 in Kansas City.

#### Scope and Content Note

This collection contains correspondence from Leopold Henschel to his son, Ned, from 1927 and 1928, providing information on various relatives. Also included is a program from the Linwood School reunion in 1955, an undated page describing sulfur mining activities in Mexico, two letterheads from the Mexican Isthmus Co., and an envelope with notations on it. Additionally, the collection contains 29 photographs. Six of these photos relate to Leopold Henschel's work in Mexico. The rest are of family members, the Henschel home at 3236 Euclid Avenue, and Leopold and Mary Henschel's grave site. All of these photos contain identifying notes on the back.

# **Collection Inventory**

- f. 1 Correspondence, 1927-1928
- f. 2 Ephemera, 1955 and n.d.
- f. 3 Mexican Colonization Co. photographs, 1911 and n.d.
- f. 4 Henschel family photographs, 1915-1959 and n.d.

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