



Eisenmayer Family Papers (SP0032)

Collection Number: SP0032

Collection Title: Eisenmayer Family Papers

Dates: 1842-1983

Creator: Eisenmayer Family

Abstract: The Eisenmayer Family Papers consist of documents pertaining to the Eisenmayer Family and the Eisenmayer Milling Company in Springfield, Missouri. The collection also includes examples of the flour sacks used by the company, genealogical research, photographs, and materials related to the history of Greene County, Missouri.

Collection Size: .5 cubic foot
(27 folders, 12 photographs)

Language: Collection materials are in English.

Repository: The State Historical Society of Missouri

Restrictions on Access: Collection is open for research. This collection is available at [The State Historical Society of Missouri Research Center-Springfield](https://www.shsmo.org/research-center-springfield). If you would like more information, please contact us at springfield@shsmo.org. Collections may be viewed at any research center.

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Related Materials: Additional materials related to the Eisenmayer Family Papers can be found in the following collections:

[Eisenmayer Milling Company \(Springfield, MO.\) Records, 1890-1902](#) (C2326)

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Biographical Note:

Andrew Jackson Eisenmayer was born on January 27, 1861, at Mascoutah, Illinois, to Andrew Eisenmayer, a German miller and Methodist preacher, and Christina *Sinter*. In 1882, Andrew graduated from the University of Illinois where he studied mechanical engineering. In 1884, he moved to Springfield, Missouri, to manage a mill that was purchased by his father. The Eisenmayer Milling Company, located on West Commercial Street, originally consisted of a small wooden elevator and a daily production of 200 barrels of flour. By the 1930s, the mill was a massive concrete and steel structure, with an output of 1,000 barrels of flour a day.

In 1890, Andrew married Celia *Heer*, the sister of F.X. Heer and owner of the Heers' Department Store. Together the couple had five children, including Andrew Jr., Walter, Louise, Christine, and Marie. On April 8, 1890, Andrew was sworn in as a member of the Springfield City Council. In 1927, he became director of the Southern Missouri Trust Company which he managed until his death. Andrew owned two farms in Greene County, one near Strafford and the other near Galloway. On March 28, 1935, Andrew died of heart failure after playing a round of golf at the Hickory Hills Country Club. He is buried next to his wife in Hazelwood Cemetery in Springfield, Missouri. After his father died, Walter Eisenmayer was president of Eisenmayer Milling Company until his death in 1937. In 1938, the company was sold to Dixie-Portland Flour Mill Company. Anheuser-Busch bought the property for grain storage in 1942.

Julius W. Eisenmayer was born on April 25, 1863, to Andrew Eisenmayer and Christina *Sinter* of Mascoutah, Illinois. After attending Wesleyan Methodist College in Warrenton, Missouri, Julius became vice president of the Eisenmayer Milling Company located in Springfield, Missouri. In 1896, he married Lillie *Hammel*. The couple had one son, Ralph Eisenmayer, who was born on November 26, 1898. Julius died from heart failure on February 5, 1925. He is buried in Eastlawn Cemetery in Springfield, Missouri.

Ralph Eisenmayer married Aileen *Young* and the couple had one daughter, Betty, who was born in 1937. Betty married George Schuster on August 17, 1963. Ralph died on April 24, 1967, and Aileen died on July 27, 1989. Both are buried at Eastlawn Cemetery in Springfield, Missouri. Betty *Eisenmayer* Schuster died on February 11, 2022, in Augusta, Georgia.

Arrangement:

The collection has been arranged into the following six series:

Eisenmayer Family

Eisenmayer Milling Company
Genealogy
Local History
Publications
Oversize

Scope and Content Note:

Eisenmayer Family

This series contains materials related to Andrew Eisenmayer, Andrew J. Eisenmayer, and Julius Eisenmayer. Items in this series include magazine articles and newspaper clippings, as well as personal papers. This series also includes a passport belonging to Julius Eisenmayer, dated 1925. This series is arranged by name and then chronologically.

Eisenmayer Milling Company

This series includes photographs of the Eisenmayer Milling Company, articles about the mill, and examples of flour sacks used by the company. This series also includes a ledger containing meeting minutes from the company's board meetings from 1885 to 1935. The series is arranged by subject and then chronologically.

Genealogy

This series contains original documents, correspondence, and genealogical research pertaining to the Young and Steele families of Greene County, Missouri. The Young and Steele families are connected to the Eisenmayer family by marriage. Many of the letters are addressed to Aileen *Young* Eisenmayer, who also conducted most of the genealogical research. This series is arranged by subject and then chronologically.

Local History

This series includes materials related to the history of Greene County, Missouri, with the majority focusing on Springfield. Items in this series include newspaper articles, a calendar with historic images, and a 1915 cookbook. Of note, is a copy of *Springfield, Missouri Merchants and Manufacturers' Record*, published in 1906. This series also contains newspaper articles related to Wilson's Creek National Battlefield, as well as a 1952 souvenir ticket from the Gillioz Theatre to the premier of "The Winning Team" starring Ronald Reagan. This series is arranged by subject and then chronologically.

Publications

This series contains various publications, including copies of *The Modern Miller* and *The Northwestern Miller*. This series also contains a copy of *The College Star*, a publication of Central Wesleyan College located in Warrenton, Missouri. In addition, this series includes a

copy of *The Birth of a Nation* souvenir booklet from 1915. This series is arranged by publication date.

Oversize

This series contains an aerial photograph of the Eisenmayer Mill, as well as oversize publications featuring stories about the mill. This series is arranged by subject.

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