

H.C. Engberg photographs, 1909-1918

Overview of the Collection

Creator	Engberg, H.C.
Title	H.C. Engberg photographs
Dates	1909-1918 (inclusive) 1909 1918
Quantity	0.5 linear feet
Collection Number	XOE_CPNWS0142engberg (collection)
Summary	The H.C. Engberg photographs include an album and loose photographs depicting images of Mt. Baker, Woodstock Farm Bluff, Chuckanut Bay, and various places and people around Whatcom County and other locations.
Repository	Western Washington University, Center for Pacific Northwest Studies Goltz-Murray Archives Building 808 25th St. Bellingham, WA 98225 Telephone: 360-650-7534 cpnws@wwu.edu
Access Restrictions	The collection is open to the public.
Languages	English

Biographical Note

On August 8, 1899, H.C. (Henry Christian) Engberg married Mary Davenport. The Engbergs were prominent members of the Bellingham (Wash.) community, participating in a number of social organizations including the Twentieth Century Club, the Bellingham Woman's Music Club, and the YWCA. Their house was located at 531 N. Garden Street.

Often referred to as Madame Davenport-Engberg, Mary was an accomplished violinist and symphony conductor. In addition to organizing the eighty-five piece Davenport Engberg Orchestra in Bellingham in 1914, she also directed the sixty-five piece Seattle Symphony Orchestra from 1921-1924.

H.C. Engberg founded the Engberg Pharmacy in Bellingham in 1890. The store was originally located in Fairhaven and then moved to 139 W. Holly Street at the intersection of Holly and State Streets. In 1912 the Engberg Pharmacy published Easton's recreational map of Mt. Baker (copy available in the CPNWS Pamphlet Collection). Engberg was also an avid outdoorsman, participating in and photographing multiple expeditions into the Mt. Baker wilderness. According to Lottie Roeder Roth's History of Whatcom County, Engberg was responsible for naming Bastile and No Name Glaciers, as well as Heliotrope Ridge and Creek.

Sources: Bellingham Business Journal. Koert, Dorothy and Galen Biery. Looking Back. Lynden, Wash.: Lynden Tribune, 1980. Roth, Lottie Roeder, ed. History of Whatcom County. Chicago: Pioneer Historical Pub. Co., 1926. Wahl, Ralph – description provided upon donation. Wikipedia

– Mary Davenport-Engberg entry last accessed April 12, 2012 (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mary_Davenport_Engberg).

Content Description

The H.C. Engberg photographs include an album containing twelve mounted photographs and seventeen loose photographs taken by H.C. Engberg. Images are primarily of Mt. Baker showing glaciers and glaciation. Other photographs depict Woodstock Farm Bluff, Chuckanut Bay, and Bellingham wildlife. There are also approximately thirty loose photographs depicting various places and people around Bellingham and Whatcom County, as well as a few postcards from other locations. The collection also contains a July 4, 1907 edition of the Bellingham Herald.

Use of the Collection

Alternative Forms Available

Follow [this hyperlink](#) to view a digital collection of the H.C. Engberg Photographs.

Preferred Citation

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Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Donated by Steve Chastain in 2005.

Names and Subjects

Geographical Names :

Baker, Mount (Wash.)--Photographs
Whatcom County (Wash.)--Photographs

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