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OVERVIEW

Donor: Ruben Schock

Accession Date: 25 May 2004

Collection Number: 054

Quantity: 0.25 linear feet

Summary: Three religious books and one fiction book, 1895-1941.

Languages: English & German

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- [Obituary of Ruben Schock](#) (*Bismarck Tribune* – 10 May 2006)
- [Ruben Schock memorial](#) (Find A Grave)
- [Delia \(Sprecher\) Schock memorial](#) (Find A Grave)
- [Elgin, North Dakota: 75th Diamond Jubilee, 1910-1985](#) [F644.E39 E44 1985]

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BIOGRAPHY

Ruben Schock was born on August 7, 1922, on the family homestead near Elgin, North Dakota, to Fred and Katherine (Heupel) Schock. On July 6, 1941, Ruben Schock married Delia Sprecher, and they had nine children: Lu Ella, Marvin, Betty, Jeanette, Leslie, Karen, Jo Ann, Eugene, and Brenda. Ruben was a farmer, Sunday school teacher, and a superintendent. Delia (Sprecher) Schock died on May 16, 2002. Ruben Schock died on May 7, 2006.

SCOPE AND CONTENT

The **Ruben Schock Collection** consists of four books which date from 1895-1941.

Maisenelend [2004.10.01] is a short work of fiction written by Paul Hansen. It has no listed publisher or publication date. The book is in German.

Das Neue Testament [2004.10.02] is a copy of Luther's New Testament published in Stuttgart, Germany in 1930. The book is in German. A handwritten inscription on the inside cover states in German that this book was given to Ruben Schock as a confirmation gift on 19 July 1936 from Uncle and Pastor Rudolf Heupel.

Die Kleine Palme [2004.10.03] is a book of Sunday school hymns for young people, published in 1895 in Chicago, Illinois. The book is in German. It has a handwritten inscription on the inside cover, "Hoffnungstal gemeinde."

The Lutheran Hymnal [2004.10.04] was published by Concordia Publishing House of St. Louis, Missouri in 1941. The book is in English. Inscribed on the bookplate is: "This Book is Church Property. Im. Luth. Church, Elgin, N. Dak." Handwritten lyrics on inside of back cover.

BOX AND FOLDER LIST

Box/Folder	Contents
1/1	Finding aid, inventories, and historical information
1	Hansen, Paul, <u>Maisenelend</u> , [publisher unknown, date unknown], pages 64. [2004.10.01]
1	Luthers, Dr. Martin, <u>Das Neue Testament</u> , unsers herrn und heilandes Jesu Christi, Stuttgart, Germany: Wuerttemberg Bibelanstalt, 1930, pages 78, plus maps and photos. [2004.10.02]
1	Margaret, E.C. and George J. Meyer, <u>Die Kleine Palme</u> , Chicago, Illinois: Meyer and Brother, 1895, pages 165. [2004.10.03]
1	Polack, W.G., <u>Lutheran Hymnal</u> , Saint Louis, Missouri: Concordia Publishing House, 1941, pages 852. [2004.10.04]