



OVERVIEW

Donor: Shirley Thurn

Accession Date: 17 December 2011

Collection Number: 086

Quantity: 0.25 linear feet

Summary: A Lutheran Bible, published that was owned by the Schumacher family of Ashley, North Dakota.

Languages: English & German

Links:

- [Ashley Diamond Jubilee, 1888-1963](#) [F644.A79 A79]

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BIOGRAPHY

John Schumacher, Sr. was born in Glueckstal, South Russia on 18 January 1871 to Wilhelm and Rosina (Schnabel) Schumacher. He and his family arrived in the United States in 1889, traveling by the Chicago, Milwaukee, and St. Paul Railroad to their new home of Eureka, South Dakota. The family was poor and lived in a sod home, purchasing farming equipment by credit from his cousin Fred Schumacher. In 1895, John and Magdalena (Hoffman) Schumacher were wed and made their home on a farm in South Dakota, near the border with North Dakota. The Schumachers had two children, a daughter who passed away in infancy, and John Schumacher, Jr. who was born in 1897. Magdalena passed away in 1899, and Schumacher remarried

Fredericka (Mayer) Nitschke-Schumacher in 1899. This marriage produced eight children, one of whom died in infancy. The Schumachers moved to Ashley, North Dakota, where they farmed until 1939. Mr. Schumacher lived on the farm until old age.

(Source: Ashley Diamond Jubilee, 1888-1963)

SCOPE AND CONTENT

The **August Schumacher Family Collection** consists of one book: a Lutheran Bible in German. Inscribed on the front flyleaf “1944/Evangelical Lutheran Peace Congregation, Ashley, N. Dak./John Schumacher Bible/ Donated by August Schumacher Family.” The book is in a slip case, which shows some wear and staining. There are also annotations within the book. An accompanying note from donor Shirley Thurn states that this was John Schumacher’s Bible.

BOX AND FOLDER LIST

Box/Folder	Contents
1/1	Finding aid, detailed inventory, and initial inventory
1	Luther, Dr. Martin. <u><i>Die Bible oder die ganze Heilige Schrift, Alten und Neuen Testaments, nach der deutschen Uebersetzung</i></u> , St. Louis, MO: Concordia Publishing House, n.d., pages 1079, 311.