



**Finding aid to the
Samuel & Mary (Altergott)
Hansch Collection
Collection
2014.06**

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OVERVIEW

Donor: Philip and Janet Stout

Accession Date: 11 March 2014

Collection Number: 157

Quantity: 2 folders and 1 textile

Summary: This collection contains a quilt brought from Russia and a copy of the Samuel and Mary Hansch Family Tree book.

Languages: English

Links:

- [Samuel Hansch Obituary](#)

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BIOGRAPHY

Samuel Hansch was a German, born on December 6, 1883 near Rosenthal, Russia. He was an only child. He married Mary Altergott. She was born on March 28, 1885, she was also German, and born in Schweden, Russia. She was one of twelve children.

Sam immigrated to America in 1912. He sent for Mary and three of their five children later as he did not have enough money for them all to travel at the same time. Mary and her

children arrived in 1913. They met up in Chicago where they lived for a few years. They then moved to Sibley County, Minnesota where they started farming. There were five children born in the United States. Their oldest son, who was born in Russia, arrived in 1926 after having difficulty immigrating. When Mary and Sam retired in the early 1950s they moved into a house in Gaylord, MN which is located in Sibley County. Mary died suddenly on June 14, 1963. Sam died on July 15, 1968. They are both buried at Immanuel Lutheran Church cemetery in Gaylord.

Some information was found in the Samuel and Mary (Altergott) Hansch Family Tree.

SCOPE AND CONTENT

The **Samuel & Mary (Altergott) Hansch Collection** contains a quilt and the Samuel and Mary Hansch Family Tree. The quilt is made of 5 inch finished squared of men's lightweight suiting fabrics in blues, grays, brown, and tan. It measures 6 feet by 5 feet. Helen, a daughter of Samuel and Mary told her daughter, Janet, that the blanket was brought from Russia when she immigrated and is filled with camel hair. The Samuel and Mary Hansch Family Tree was compiled by Samuel and Mary's children and grandchildren. All of the information is from what they remember and can recall. It includes an immediate family tree and the story of Sam and Mary.

SEPARATION RECORD

The quilt is housed at the Emily P. Reynolds Historic Costume Collection on the NDSU campus. Advance notice is requested for the viewing of this item.

FOLDER LIST

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| Folder | Contents |
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| 1 | Finding aid and inventory |
| 2 | Samuel and Mary (Altergott) Hansch Family Tree |

Location

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