

K Oscar Braecklein (1831-1904) Papers, 1900-1903  
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## INTRODUCTION

The papers of Oscar Braecklein contain four notebooks and one sketchbook that he used in the later years of his life. Braecklein was a druggist (pharmacist) from Kansas City, Missouri, in the late 1800s, and the notebooks chiefly contain his notes from what he was learning or interested in at the time.

## DONOR INFORMATION

The papers were donated to the University of Missouri by the Native Sons of Greater Kansas City on July 17, 1990 (Accession No. KA0590). The materials were originally given to the Native Sons by George Braecklein on July 14, 1946.

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## BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Oscar Braecklein was born in Dresden, Germany, in June 1831. Braecklein immigrated to the United States in 1856 and then moved to Leavenworth, Kansas, and became a druggist. In 1865, Braecklein married Ida Kirsinger, also of Dresden, Germany, and they soon moved to Kansas City, where Braecklein set up a drugstore. He died in Kansas City on January 2, 1904.

## SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The papers have been arranged by type into three folders. The materials within the folders have been arranged chronologically.

There are two folders labeled **Notebook** that consist of diary like notebooks and range from 1900-1903. While these notebooks do act as a kind of diary for Braecklein, they also contain information on things he was interested in and notes on what he was learning. His notes are often dated and numbered. His interests range from the periodic table, the geologic timeline of earth, and Spanish. Braecklein's later notebooks are

written entirely in Spanish, and there are often pencil and colored sketches of everyday events or important people, as well as newspaper clippings inserted in the notebook.

Folder three contains a **Sketchbook** with Braecklein's sketches in it. There are generally several sketches to a page, all in pencil, implying that he was practicing different techniques or attempting to hone his skills.

**PREFERRED CITATION:**

Specific item; box number; folder number; *Oscar Braecklein (K0340)*; The State Historical Society of Missouri Research Center-Kansas City [after first mention may be abbreviated to SHSMO-KC].

**FOLDER LIST**

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