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Frederick Marion Wanger (1888-1956) Family Papers

ca. 1890-1956

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Personal papers of Wanger, a Police Judge in St. Joseph, MO including photographs, letters, and family other documents.

BIOGRAPHY:

Frederick M. Wanger was born October 26, 1888 in Fairfax, Atchison County, Missouri to Frederick Steven Wanger and May Thompson. After graduation from Fairfax High School in 1905, Wanger attended Platt Commercial College in St. Joseph, Missouri. He held the position of clerk with the Probate Court of Buchanan County, Missouri until World War I. Wanger was inducted into the Army October 1, 1917 at Camp Funston, Kansas. He attained the rank of Sergeant and served as Company Clerk of Company "A" 356th infantry Regiment, 89th Division, in France and Germany.

After the war, Frederick M. Wanger returned to his civilian job as Clerk of the Probate Court of Buchanan County. He graduated from the St. Joseph Law School in 1923, was admitted to the Missouri Bar, entered the private practice of law and served as the Police Judge of the City of St. Joseph from 1941 until his death.

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DESCRIPTION:

The collection contains letters, photographs, and other documents relating to the life, family, and career as a Police Judge of St Joseph, Missouri, of Fred M. Wanger.

INVENTORY:

Refer to Folder "A" for complete description of folder contents including family history and donor's notes

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| Folder 2 | Certificates of Appointment and Election, Police Judge of St. Joseph, MO (1940-1954) |
| Folder 3 | Photograph: Fred M. Wanger holding Court in St. Joseph, May 1953 |
| Folder 4 | Biographical Note: Judge Fred M. Wanger, police judge, and William H. Utz, Jr., prosecutor ca 1940s |
| Folder 5 | Letter: Missouri Chief Justice Roscoe P. Conkling, August 31, 1954 |
| Folder 6 | Missouri Supreme Court Brief: Fred M. Wanger, May 1943 |
| Folder 7 | Letters: Harry W. Crowell (1954) and E.M. Mathews (1930), St. Joseph, MO, Chief of Police |
| Folder 8 | Letter: Harry G. Waltner, Jr, Director of Unemployment Compensation Division of Missouri, December 17, 1940 |
| Folder 9 | St. Joseph Law School: programs and receipt, 1920, 1921, 1923, 1932 |

- Folder 10 Certificate of Admission: to practice law before the Federal District Court of the Western District of Missouri, September 18, 1923
- Folder 11 Letter: U.S. Senator Thomas C. Hennings, Jr. of Missouri, September 6, 1956
- Folder 12 Letter: James Eddy McCann, May 11, 1955
- Folder 13 Letter: Harry E. Proctor, October 27, 1953
- Folder 14 Certificates of Appointment: St. Joseph Board of Aviation (1935 & 1937)
- Folder 15 Certificate of Appointment: St. Joseph Traffic Commission, 1941
- Folder 16 Certificate of Appointment: Buchanan County Council of Defense, June 16, 1943
- Folder 17 Certificate of Appointment: United States Citizens Service Corps of St. Joseph, July 28, 1943
- Folder 18 Letter: Walter D. Ladd, November 26, 1951
- Folder 19 Letter: H. Roe Bartle, Mayor of Kansas City, June 28, 1956
- Folder 20 Commencement Program: Fairfax (Missouri) High School, May 22, 1906
- Folder 21 Letter: William D. Hassett, Secretary to President Roosevelt, 1945
- Folder 22 Poem, "The Day is cold and dark and dreary. . .", on letterhead of John F. Imel, Judge, Buchanan County, Missouri Probate Court, St. Joseph, Missouri, 190?
- Folder 23 Letter: Jerrine Bunting Kenny, July 25, 1948
- Folder 24 Postcards: Bartlett Boder, 1941, 1942, 1949
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FLAT BOX

- Folder 40 Publication: *St. Joseph News-Press*, centennial edition, July 25, 1943

- Folder 42 Drawing: Missouri Governor Lloyd C. Stark, personally inscribed to Frederick M. Wanger
- Folder 43 Photograph: Wanger family home, 504 N. Noyes Blvd., St. Joseph, MO ca. 1920s
- Folder 58 Photograph: A.B. Duncan, Buchanan County Probate Judge, autographed studio portrait
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- Folder 60 Photographs: Patricia Wanger, wife of Byron Wanger (FMW's brother) (3)
- Folder 61 Photograph: John L. Zeidler, husband of FMW's Aunt Josephine, prominent St. Joseph businessman, studio portrait
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- Folder 67 Photograph: Byron and Patricia Wanger wedding, studio

ARTIFACT

- Item 1 Seal: St. Joseph Aeronautic Association, St. Joseph, MO., original mechanism for pressing seal onto documents