

**PRELIMINARY INVENTORY**  
**S0904 (10-49)**  
**IRWIN FAMILY PAPERS**

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**Introduction**

Approximately 4.5 cubic feet

This collection consists of papers and photographs of Mathew Irwin, primarily documenting his ancestors—the Storch, Wuellner, and Slavik families. The Storch and Wuellner branches immigrated to St. Louis, Missouri, from Germany and Bohemia in 1838 and settled in the St. Louis area. After their settlement in St. Louis, Magnus Storch (1825-1900) and his wife, Elizabeta Steibert (1843-1896), had Louisa Storch (1870-1934). On April 6, 1893, Louisa Storch married George Friederich Wuellner (1864-1955); their union produced Talitha Wuellner (1895-1955). Talitha subsequently married Albert Slavik (1891-1939) on April 10, 1917, which led to the birth of Marjorie Louisa Slavik (1918-1997). Marjorie married Russell Ewing Irwin (1912-1984) in 1940. From this union came Karin Louise Irwin, who had Mathew S. Irwin and Samuel White Swan-Perkins.

The materials in the collection include birth and confirmation certificates of George Wuellner, as well as Talitha Wuellner's high school entrance certificate and Kirkwood High School diplomas. Other materials include report cards, a prayer book, and photographs of the Storch, Wuellner, and Slavik families.

**Donor Information**

The papers were donated to the State Historical Society of Missouri by Matt Irwin on December 6, 2010 (Accession No. 10-49).

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**Location Note**

Box 1 of this collection is housed offsite and will need to be retrieved before viewing. Boxes 2-5 and the oversize materials are housed onsite.

**Box List**

**Box 1**

Report Cards, Marjorie Louisa Slavik Irwin, 1920-1936  
Correspondence and Teaching Certificates, Talitha Wuellner Slavik, 1912-1950  
Diary of Talitha Wuellner, Transcript, 1914-1916  
Sacred Heart Memorial Booklet, Marjorie Louisa Slavik Irwin, June 6, 1997  
Confirmation and Marriage Certificates of George Wuellner, Talitha Wuellner, and Albert Henry Slavik, 1864-1917

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Maryville College, St. Louis Graduation Commencement Booklet of Karin Irwin, 1983  
Family Photographs of Albert Slavik, and Marjorie, Russell, Karin, and Matthew Irwin,  
no date

**Box 2**

Baby Book of Marjorie Louisa Slavik Irwin, circa 1918  
Bride Book of Marjorie Louisa Slavik Irwin, circa 1939  
Prayer Book of Marjorie Louisa Slavik Irwin, no date  
Webster Groves High School Diploma of Karin Louise Irwin, 1966  
Bound Diary of Talitha Wuellner, 1914-1916

**Box 3**

Scrapbook Containing Photographs of Marjorie Louisa Slavik Irwin and Russell and  
Karin Irwin, 1927-1948  
Scrapbook Containing Photographs of Unidentified Individuals, no date  
Scrapbook Containing Photographs of Marjorie Louis Slavik Irwin, no date

**Box 4**

Scrapbook—Photographs of Marjorie Louis Slavik Irwin, Russell and Karin Irwin, as  
well as Unidentified Friends and Family (904.936-904.1151), circa 1940-1946

**Box 5**

Photograph book: 904.388-904.403

**Oversize Cabinet 1**

Georg Friedrich Wuellner, Confirmation Certificate, April 6, 1864  
Georg Friedrich Wuellner, August 7, 1864  
Georg Wuellner and Louisa Storch, Marriage Certificate, April 6, 1893  
Talitha Regina Wuellner, Birth Certificate, October 19, 1895  
Talitha Wuellner, High School Entrance Certificate, June 15, 1908  
Talitha Wuellner, Diploma, June 15, 1908  
Talitha Wuellner, Kirkwood High School Diploma, June 6, 1912  
Albert Slavik, Berry Automobile College Diploma, July 1, 1914  
Albert Slavik and Talitha Wuellner, Marriage Certificate, April 10, 1917  
Marjorie Slavik, Robert Raikes Diploma, Maplewood Baptist Church School,  
December 31, 1923  
Mrs. A.H. Slavik, Robert Raikes Diploma, Maplewood Baptist Church School,  
December 31, 1923  
Marjorie Slavik, Certificate of Promotion, Maplewood Baptist Sunday School,  
September 28, 1924  
Scrapbook, 1939-1941  
Photograph of Marjorie Louisa Slavik Irwin in Her Wedding Dress, circa 1940  
Photograph of Karin Irwin and Megin Perkins, no date  
Photograph of a Group of Unidentified Men Standing in Front of a Partially Constructed

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Building, no date