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Collection Title: Wilhelm Exelbirt Collection

Manuscript Series Number: MS076-1990

Date Received: 1990

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Date Span: 1920s-1980s

Size of Collection: 1.5 linear feet.

Number of Boxes: 1 record center box.

Type of Material: Photograph albums and photographs.

Condition of Material: Fair with some foxing and fading of older photographs.

Arrangement: Organized by creator. Chronological arrangement.

Biographical / Historical Information: Wilhelm Exelbirt was a professor of History at Morehead State College (presently Morehead State University) from 1948 to 1971. He was born in Tarnopol, Austria-Hungary (present day Ukraine) on April 23, 1901. His family relocated to Vienna, Austria where he attended public schools and received a doctorate degree from the University of Vienna in 1929 in subject area of Slavic history. He and his wife left Austria for France and later England soon after the Anschluss in 1938. They arrive in the United States in 1940 and became naturalized citizens in 1945. He joined the faculty of Morehead State in 1948 and taught Slavic European history. He was the first recipient of the University's Distinguished Faculty Award in 1964 and retired from teaching full time in 1971. In 1990, he was awarded the University's Founders Day Award. Dr. Exelbirt passed away on November 7, 1992 and is interred at Lee Cemetery in Morehead.

Scope and Content: Collection consists of photo albums and photographs of Wilhelm Exelbirt and his wife Regina Fried Exelbirt of their travels and family members from the 1920s to the 1980s. Included in the collection are two Bonzini & Soprani Registon auto-record vinyl records circa 1939.

Subject Headings / Descriptors:

Morehead State University. History Department.
Exelbirt, Wilhelm, 1901-1992.
Exelbirt, Regina Fried, 1906-2003.
Exelbirt family.
Fried family.
Vienna (Austria)
Morehead (Ky.)

Notes: No record exists of how the collection was acquired.