Emily Maria Eriksson (1882-1945) Papers
1934
Three folders

Holograph manuscript of a book by Emmy Eriksson relating to Sweden’s role in World War I.

BIOGRAPHY:

Emmy Maria Charlotte Eriksson was born May 12, 1882 in Stensele, Sweden and raised in Sweden, the daughter of Anders Fredrik Eriksson Maria Catharina Danielsdtr. She appears to have emigrated to America about 1909 to visit her older sister Hanna Maria Eriksson (1881-19??) and was in the States (perhaps Chicago) when World War I broke out in 1914. She returned to Sweden in 1916 but afterward (ca. 1920) returned to the U.S. to settle in Kansas City where the two sisters were masseuses. Hanna became a naturalized citizen July 2, 1917 and it can be assumed that Emmy was also a citizen. Ms. Eriksson donated her manuscript to the University of Kansas City in 1941. She died at St. Joseph Hospital February 7, 1945.

PROVENANCE:

These papers were a gift from Ms. Emmy Eriksson to the University of Kansas City Library in 1941. They were later transferred to the Western Historical Manuscript Collection as accession KA0051 on October 28, 1980.

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DESCRIPTION:

These papers consist of a holograph manuscript of a book by Emmy Eriksson which relates to Sweden’s role in World War I. It was written in 1934 and is based on Ms. Eriksson’s personal experiences during the war. Correspondence between Ms. Eriksson and her sister is quoted at length in the document, as are letters from Ms. Eriksson’s mother.

INVENTORY:

Folder 1. Letter of transmittal to the University of Kansas City, December 3, 1941; newspaper clipping.

Folder 2. Holograph book

“In One of the Neutral Countries during the World War, 1914-1918,” pp.1-90

Folder 3. Holograph book

“In One of the Neutral Countries during the World War, 1914-1918,” pp.91-174