

Collection: The Krattiger/Egg Legacy Collection **Accession Number:** 2012.050

Finding Aid

Date Range: 1914-1990

Bulk Date: 1914-1931; 1960s-1980s

Creator: Eleanor Egg, mother of donor

Storage Location: PCHS Library and Archives

Aid Created By: Heather Cunningham, Curator

Biographical Note:

Paterson native Eleanor Marie (Egg) Krattiger (1909-1999) was nationally famous for her track and field accomplishments. As a child Eleanor was an acrobat in her parents' vaudeville act. She began her sports career with the Paterson Girls' Recreation Program in 1923. Eleanor was on the 1928 US Olympic team until she injured her ankle. During her career, she won over 250 medals and was immortalized in bronze bas relief by local sculptor Gaetano Federici. This sculpture which was once in place at Hinchcliffe Stadium in Paterson has since been removed. In the early 1930s a second injury to her ankle forced Egg to retire from track and field competitions. She married Charles Krattiger in 1935 and became a dance instructor.

Scope Note and Content:

This collection consists of material in a wide range of formats, most of which is associated with the legacy of Eleanor Egg and her track and field accomplishments. The largest component of this collection is newspaper clippings, but also included is some correspondence, photographs, books and a scrapbook. With this collection are several large artistic images of WWI, probably from the newspaper. The connection between these images and Egg are unclear.

Within this collection are several museum items. PCHS also has several other collections associated with Eleanor Egg, including more archival material, as well as photographs and museum items.