

Title: Hipke Family Collection

Call Number: Mss-1625

Inclusive Dates: 1907 – 1958

Bulk: 0.3 cu. ft.

Location: CV, Sh. 015

Abstract: Dr. Gustav Hipke practiced medicine from 1902 until his death in 1955 at the age of 87. He and Mrs. Clara Hikpe were pioneers in improving the condition of prospective mothers and protecting the lives of newborns.

Dr. Hipke elevated obstetrics and stressed better obstetrical training for physicians and nurses. Mr. and Mrs. Hikpe were among the leaders who succeeded in getting legislation passed to protect mothers and their babies. Mrs. Hipke was the founder and first President of the Maternity Hospital and Dispensary Association of Milwaukee General Hospital (private). Financial troubles forced the closing of the hospital in 1937. Mrs. Hipke was also involved with the suffrage movement as well as sponsorship of the Society for the Care of the Sick.

Abstract: The collection consists of correspondence, biographical sketch of Gustav Hipke, reports of the Milwaukee Maternity Hospital and Free Dispensary Association, information on Clara Hipke's activities, and newspaper clippings.

Administrative Note: The collection was processed on April 27, 1991 by Paul Geib. The finding aid was retyped on September 27, 2011 by Jenny Stevenson.

See Also:

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Biography of Dr. Gustav Hipke, May 23, 1935	1	Envelope
Cover for biographical material		Envelope