

Inventory of the

J.W. Sandrock Farm
Reynolds Township, Lee County, Illinois

Records

In the
Regional History Center

RC 233

INTRODUCTION

Verla Mantegna, Norene Tews, and Nancy Reed donated the J.W. Sandrock Farm Records to the Northern Illinois Regional History Center on July 9, 1998. An addendum was added on September 6, 2002.

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SCOPE AND CONTENT

The J.W. Sandrock Farm records date from 1937 to 1990 and contain reports for the farm located in Reynolds Township, Lee County, Illinois. There is a gap in the records from 1975 to 1988. The Farm Account Books include inventories, summaries, purchases, and sales of land, farm improvements, machinery and equipment, crops, and livestock. The Illinois Farm Business Records located in boxes 2 and 3 may also contain farm business analysis and annual reports of the Illinois Farm Bureau Farm Management Service. These records contain similar information as the Farm Account Books.

The addendum dates from 1975 to 1992 and fills the gap in the Illinois Farm Business Records from 1975 to 1988 and 1991. Also included are soil test reports, tax assessment, acreage allotments, and a purchase contract for soybeans.

HISTORICAL SKETCH

Martha E. Thiele and George Sandrock married June 6, 1857 and lived in Reynolds Township, Lee County, Illinois. They farmed in Reynolds Township until George died of lung fever on March 7, 1872 after which Martha and her five children, George, Charles, Christina, Annie C., and William took over responsibility for the farm. William married Anna C. Kersten in 1893 and farmed the family farm. Joy William Sandrock was born January 13, 1906 to William and Anna Sandrock. He grew up and eventually took responsibility for the family farm. He married Mary Caroline Currens of Dixon, Illinois on August 19, 1934. They had three daughters Norene, Nancy, and Verla. Norene A. was born April 12, 1936 and married Melvin C. Tews; Nancy L. was born November 1, 1939 and married Jon S. Reed; and Verla R. was born August 17, 1943 and married Joseph J. Mantegna. Joy William farmed the land until his death on October 28, 1992. His wife Mary died August 4, 1997. The farm still remains in the family belonging to the three daughters. The land is rented to a local farmer.

SUBJECT TRACINGS

Agriculture
 Ashton
 Family Farm
 Farm Life
 Lee County
 Sandrock Family

COLLECTION INVENTORY

<u>BOX</u>	<u>FOLDER</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
1	1-3	Illinois Farm Account Books, 1937-1945
2	1-15	Illinois Farm Business Records, 1946-1960
3	1-16	Illinois Farm Business Records, 1961-1974; 1989-1990
	17	Map of Farm, n.d.
	18	Illinois Valley and Blackhawk Farm Bureau Farm Management Service Association, Fourth Year Report, 1947-1949
	19	Illinois Farm Bureau Farm Management Service, Annual Reports, 1955-1957; Depreciation Schedule, 1947-1954, 1963-1967
4	1	Farm Bureau Farm Management Service, Annual Reports, 1938-1945
	2	Farm Bureau Farm Management Service, Three Year Reports, 1939-1945
	3	Illinois Valley Farm Bureau Farm Management Service, Net Returns per Farm, 1953
	4	Illinois Valley Farm Bureau Farm Management Service, Labor and Machinery Cost on 82 Intensive Beef Farms, 1953
	5-8	Soil Test Report, 1944, 1948, 1953, 1955

ADDENDUM

4	9	Soil Test Report, 1990-1991
	10	Notice of Acreage Bases, Yields, Allotments, and/or Quotes, 1991-1992
	11	Notice to Taxpayers, Lee County Supervisor of Assessments, 1992
	12	Soybean Purchase Contract, December 1991-January 1992
5	1-15	Illinois Farm Business Records, 1975-1988, 1991