

Finding aid for the Francis K. Glew papers Collection 492

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Summary Information

Repository: Grand Rapids Public Library, Grand Rapids History and Special

Collections Department

Source - dnr: Creaser, Linda

Title: Francis K. Glew papers

ID: Collection 492

Date [inclusive]: 1927-1980

Physical Description: 1 Linear Feet 2 boxes

Language of the

Material:

English

Abstract: Francis (Frank) Kinne Glew was born in Muskegon, Michigan in 1895.

He relocated to Grand Rapids, Michigan in 1920 where he opened his own advertising firm a few years later. In his lifetime, Glew wrote thousands of essays and poems. Many of them were published in West Michigan newspapers. He died in Grand Rapids in 1966. This collection consists of publications in which Glew contributed poems and other writings, and advertisements he created. It may be of interest to the researcher who is interested in local poets or the advertising

industry in Grand Rapids in the mid 1900s.

Biographical / Historical

Francis (Frank) Kinne Glew was born in Muskegon, Michigan to Charles F. Glew and Lorretta (Kinne) Glew in September of 1895. He relocated to Grand Rapids, Michigan in 1920, after a short amateur boxing career and newspaper advertising work with the Muskegon Chronicle. In Grand Rapids he continued to box with the YMCA and worked for an advertising agency. Frank married Mildred O. Sandberg in June of 1924 and, that same year, he opened his own advertising firm. Together, Frank and Mildred had two children, Virginia and Dale.

Glew wrote thousands of essays and poems in his lifetime. Many of them were published in West Michigan newspapers. Frank was a frequent contributor to the Grand Rapids Press' Public Pulse column. He died in June of 1966 at the age of 70 and is buried at Rest Lawn Memorial Park in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

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Scope and Contents

This collection consists of publications in which Glew contributed poems and other writings, and advertisements he created. Additionally there are a few newpaper clippings, biographical in nature, and several books, one which contains Glew's poetry. Glew contributed poetry to many issues of Powers Periodicals and there is a run of those issues in the collection from 1953-1958.

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Administrative Information

Publication Statement

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Immediate Source of Acquisition

Linda Creaser, a long-time friend of Frank Glew, donated the material in this collection. [2019.072]

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Controlled Access Headings

- Grand Rapids (Mich.) -- History
- Advertising -- Michigan -- Grand Rapids
- Poetry -- Michigan -- Grand Rapids -- History
- Creaser, Linda

Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Instances	
The Bard's Book, An Anthology, Selected from the Work of a Writer's Club of Grand Rapids, Michigan; poems by Francis K. Glew appear on pages 62 and 63., 1927	Box 1	
Never a Dull Moment, by Julie B. Baldwin, 1979	Box 1	
There is Life in the Old Girl Yet, by Julie B. Baldwin; with newspaper clippings of the author's obituaries pressed in the front cover., 1980	Box 1	
Newspaper clippings about Frank Glew, various, 1931-1974	Box 2	Folder 1
Powers Periodical 1934, 1953-1956	Box 2	Folder 2
Powers Periodical, 1957-1958	Box 2	Folder 3
Peninsular Club Magazine, article about Frank K. Glew, G.R. Ad- Man is Always Copy for Sports Editions, 1954	Box 2	Folder 4
George E. Bishop, Recognizing a quarter century of work and unselfish devotion to the interest of the State of Michigan and to the Upper Peninsula in particular, An Appreciation written by Francis K. Glew	Box 2	Folder 5
Frank K. Glew, Central Engraving Company, 1931	Box 2	Folder 6
Grand Rapids Storage and Van Company brochure	Box 2	Folder 7
The Grand Rapids Osteopathic Hospital brochure	Box 2	Folder 8
The Regent Theatre brochure, 1922	Box 2	Folder 9
Milling in Michigan 1820-1961	Box 2	Folder 10
Central Trade Plant of Grand Rapids Type Faces; 2 volumes	Box 2	Folder 11
Production Filtration, J.C. Miller Company Electroplating and Finishing Engineers	Box 2	Folder 12
Grand Rapids Press Builders advertising for Miller Zeilstra Lumber Co., includes condolence note to Mrs. Frank Glew from Clarence Zeilstra, 1949-1950	Box 2	Folder 13
Grand Rapids Press Builders advertising for Miller Zeilstra Lumber Co., 1950	Box 2	Folder 14