

Inventory of the

Fred C. Soderboom
Rockford, Illinois

Papers

In the
Regional History Center

RC 33

INTRODUCTION

Gilbert Gocken, Lindenwood, Illinois donated the Fred C. Soderboom Papers to the Northern Illinois Regional History Center on July 5, 1978.

Property rights in the collection are held by the Regional History Center; literary rights are dedicated to the public. There are no restrictions on access to the collection.

Linear Feet of Shelf Space: .5
 Number of Containers: 2 boxes
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SCOPE AND CONTENT

The Fred C. Soderboom Papers represent a modest portion of historical records belonging to Swedish immigrant Klas Fredrick Soderboom, dating 1901 to 1957. Legal documents, business agreements, sale receipts and personal papers such as a marriage license, mortgages and private notes are included. Exceptional records in the collection are the indispensable documents needed for settlement in the United States--a passport, leaving certificate, a baptismal form and immigration papers. Also included are 11 small work diaries, 5 family photographs and 1 amateur songbook. This collection may provide source material for research on Swedish settlers and their adaptation to a new country during the immigration process.

HISTORICAL SKETCH

Klas Fredrik Soderboom was born in Sweden on February 20, 1882 and came to Winnebago County in 1901 where he settled in Rockford and worked for a time as a carpenter. Mr. Soderboom was married, August 29, 1914, to Frida Victoria Peterson, also a native of Sweden. On April 5, 1927 Mr. Soderboom became a knitter by trade and was employed by the Burson Knitting Company of Rockford, Illinois. Soderboom remained in the United States until his death in (1957?).

SUBJECT TRACINGS

Immigrants, Swedish
 Peterson, Frida V.
 Rockford
 Rockford, Swedish Immigrants
 Soderboom, Fred C.
 Swedish Immigrants

COLLECTION INVENTORY

<u>BOX</u>	<u>FOLDER</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
1	1	Vital documents - immigration, baptismal papers, transcripts: 1901, 1904, 1912, 1918
	2	Marriage Certificate, 1914
	3	Business correspondence and personal papers, 1934-1956
	4	Affidavit 1937
	5	Illinois Installment Mortgage, 1930
	6	Income Tax records & returns, 1943-1953
	7	Sales receipts
	8	Bank statements, 1953-1957
	9	Northern Illinois Mortgage Co. - Promissory notes, 1930
	10	Bill of Sale, 1930
	11	Warranty Deed, 1939, 1947
2	1-3	Work diaries, (1907-1954) (11)
	4	Songbook
	5	Photographs (5)