



## **Descriptive Summary:**

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*Repository:* Beulah Williams Library Archives and Special Collections, Northern State University

*Creator:* Anne Roesch Larson

*Dates:* 1847-2007

*Extent:* 12 linear feet

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## Biographical Note

Anne Roesch (pronounced “Rush”) Larson is a part of the German Roesch Family, whose ancestors came to the United States from Gluckstahl, Russia. Anne’s father, Fred Roesch, his wife, Rosina, and their first two children arrived in Hillsvew, South Dakota in October 1898 (Germans from Russia is one of the most prevalent cultural groups in the Dakotas). In January 1899, the family moved to a farm 7 miles east of Eureka, South Dakota. In April 1899, they moved again to a farm 5 miles north of Roscoe, Edmunds County, South Dakota where the other 7 children (including Anne) were born. Fred Roesch built and ran the family farm in Roscoe with his wife and his children until his death in 1930.

## Scope and Content

This collection has been arranged into nine series: *Genealogy and Family History*, *Personal Items*, *Recipes and Kessler’s Information*, *Oversized/Odd Sized Items*, *Financial Papers*, *Correspondence*, *Photographs*, *Ephemera*, and *Books*. The *Books* series will eventually be cataloged and placed in the Archives Reading Room. The items are left in their original order, except for *Financial Papers* (arranged mostly chronologically), and *Oversized/Odd Sized Items* and *Photographs* (items were removed from the original order and organized into different series). The formats within this collection include government records, letters, newspaper clippings, receipts, photographs, books, and ephemera. This collection is mostly in English and German. Most of the German documents have not been translated. Untranslated correspondence is noted in a different document. Some of the documents have been digitized and are available at <http://digitalcollections.northern.edu/>.

### Note on Books:

Some books from the collection have been removed from their boxes and catalogued into the Archives Special collection. These books can be found by searching for The Anne Roesch Larson Collection in the library catalog. These books are located in the Archives Reading Room.

## Series Descriptions:

**Series One:** Genealogy and Family History

**Box:** 1

**Dates:** 1847-2007,  
n.d.

<b>Series Two:</b> Personal Items	<b>Box:</b> 2	<b>Dates:</b> 1932-1933, 1954-1999, n.d.
<b>Series Three:</b> Recipes and Kessler's Information	<b>Box:</b> 3	<b>Dates:</b> 1988-1990, n.d.
<b>Series Four:</b> Oversized/Odd Sized Items	<b>Box:</b> 4, OS1:DR5	<b>Dates:</b> 1921, n.d.
<b>Series Five:</b> Financial Papers	<b>Box:</b> 5	<b>Dates:</b> 1902-1954, n.d.
<b>Series Six:</b> Correspondence	<b>Box:</b> 6	<b>Dates:</b> 1980-1995, n.d.
<b>Series Seven:</b> Photographs	<b>Box:</b> 7; OS1:DR2-OS1:DR4	<b>Dates:</b> 1898-1995, n.d.
<b>Series Eight:</b> Ephemera	<b>Boxes:</b> 8-12, 15-18 Wooden Chest, OS1:DR3	<b>Dates:</b> 1917-1918
<b>Series Nine:</b> Books	<b>Boxes:</b> 13, 14	<b>Dates:</b> 1940-1995

## Detailed Description of the Collection

### 1. Series One: Genealogy and Family History

#### Box # 1

FF 1	Misc. local history clippings, program for 1931 Chatauqua festival in Roscoe
FF 2	Notebook/journal, business records, 1920
FF 3	Genealogy information, Roesch family
FF 4	German notes and news clippings
FF 5	Germans from Russia—general history
FF 6	Confirmation certificate, 1884
FF 7	Family background/stories
FF 8	NDSU GFR project—forms & information

- FF 9 Germans from Russia—general information & events
- FF 10 Treftz-Jutzy family letters, clippings & general information
- FF 11 birth/death/marriage records (in German)
- FF 12 Roesch family clippings, events
- FF 13 cousins and friends obituaries
- FF 14 funeral service programs
- FF 15 family history/genealogy
- FF 16 family history—Frederick Roesch and Rosina Treftz
- FF 17 genealogy information—Geist/Roesch
- FF 18 NDSU-GFR collection
- FF 19 American Relief Administration Russian food remittance coupons & foreign money  
order receipts (originals)
- FF 20 Family History—Trefz/Roesch
- FF 21 Family History—Maria Katherine Roesch and Anna Katherine Roesch-Liedle-Segdel
- FF 22 Russian food remittance foreign money order receipts (copies)
- FF 23 Genealogy Glukstal-Roesch
- FF 24 Genealogy information—various lists
- FF 25 Grosz/Gross obituaries, news clippings
- FF 26 Genealogy papers—Roesch/Stotz
- FF 27 CHART listing of Germans from Russia
- FF 28 genealogy—Roesch descendants
- FF 29 genealogy correspondence
- FF 30 Frederick Roesch memorial cards
- FF 31 Schaible family letters, cards, clippings
- FF 32 newspapers
- FF 33 Roesch family history
- FF 34 Gross family history
- FF 35 Byers family history
- FF 36 Beck family history
- FF 37 Schumacher family history
- FF 38 Roesch family history
- FF 39 Roesch family history
- FF 40 German newspapers, clippings & letters
- FF 41 Roesch family history
- FF 42 American Relief Administration Russian food remittance, money orders,  
telegraphs
- FF 43 German newspaper clippings
- FF 44 newspaper—GFR history
- FF 45 Ed Roesch & Irene, Marcia, Dale & Judy
- FF 46 Anne Roesch news clippings
- FF 47 Rose & August Schumacher wedding
- FF 48 misc. family information

- FF 49 Roesch & Buechler
- FF 50 Aunt Eva's family; Eva & Albert Isaak, Alice Lamson, Allegra McBirney
- FF 51 Roesch—Fred, Rick & Linda, Sally, Barby
- FF 52 Marie, Harlan, Bill Neff
- FF 53 Ronald Schumacher discharge paper
- FF 54 Anne Larson misc.
- FF 55 Rose Schumacher items
- FF 56 Roesch family memories by Allegra Isaak McBirney
- FF 57 Roesch family immigration documents and news articles
- FF 58 inventory of items donated by Carl & Virginia Prior
- FF 59 Nuss family history
- FF 60 from binder—"Hidden Treasures found in the closet at the Lars & Annie Larson Home"
- FF 61 Typed Roesch Family Tree (1973)
- FF 62 Friedrich Roesch Naturalization Certificate - copy (1907)
- FF 63 Executive Order appointing Fred Roesch a delegate to the 14<sup>th</sup> International ARM Congress - copy (1919)
- FF 64 Leaflet about passengers coming from Soviet Russia and Ukraine to the US (n.d.)
- FF 65 School District Officer's Certificate of Election (1917)
- FF 66 Kaiser Friedrich Ship Record in German - copy (1898)
- FF 67 German religious documents - untranslated (1898)
- FF 68 Kaiser Friedrich (1898)

## 2. Series Two: Personal Items

### Box # 2

- FF 1 Annie Roesch School Day Autobiography books
- FF 2 Festival of Folklife news clippings
- FF 3 Festival of Folklife correspondence, thank yous
- FF 4 Festival of Folklife program and miscellaneous
- FF 5 birthday book and small notebook
- FF 6 Aberdeen calendar—1954
- FF 7 personal correspondence and cards
- FF 8 personal items/cards, news clippings
- FF 9 poetry
- FF 10 receipts, correspondence, news clippings
- FF 11 cards, clippings, magazine articles
- FF 12 booklets, cards
- FF 13 poetry, cards & letters
- FF 14 misc. newspaper clippings
- FF 15 Roesch family memorials, cards & funeral programs

FF 16	Roesch family memorials, cards & funeral programs
FF 17	Anne Roesch papers, letters & poems
FF 18	Roesch family obituaries
FF 19	Rosina Roesch cards
FF 20	Rosina Roesch cards
FF 21	Rosina Roesch cards
FF 22	Rosina Roesch memorial cards
FF 23	Rosina Roesch memorial cards
FF 24	Rosina Roesch memorial cards
FF 25	Rosina Roesch memorial cards
FF 26	Railroad booklets
FF 27	train schedules
FF 28	train schedules
FF 29	postcards
FF 30	Chicago World's Fair
FF 31	Der Kirchenbote, 2 issues, 1954
FF 32	Der Kirchenbote
FF 33	Frederich Roesch passport

### 3. Series Three: Recipe's and Kessler's Information

#### Box # 3

FF 1	German recipes
FF 2	handwritten recipes
FF 3	Anne Larson certificates
FF 4	German-Russian pioneer cookbook
FF 5	Census employment information
FF 6	Kessler's—General Foods
FF 7	Kessler's—General Foods
FF 8	Shriners
FF 9	Shriners—Women's Auxiliary programs, clippings, by-laws
FF 10	Beginning of Microwaves seminar
FF 11	Chicago trip, 1988

### 4. Series Four: Oversized/Odd sized Items

#### Box #4

FF 1	Fred Roesch—Liberty Loan Bond certificate
FF 2	German newspapers & letters (copies)
FF 3	family history—genealogy
FF 4	copies—newspaper articles

FF 5	August & Rose Schumacher—marriage license
FF 6	Roesch family—immigration documents, picture of ship
Item 1	1910 calendar
Item 2	Collection of cassette tapes
Item 3	“My Memory Book”
Item 4	Loose items & pages from “My Memory Book”
Item 5	Scrapbook
Item 6	Loose items & pages from Scrapbook
Item 7	Memorial record of Frederick Roesch
Item 8	Canvas/fabric map
Item 9	Chinese fan from Chicago World’s Fair
Item 10	Rosina Roesch’s crochet
Item 11	Scarf belonging to Rosina Roesch
Item 12	Glasses belonging to Rosina Roesch

OS1:DR5

FF 1	Aerial photograph of Ed Roesch’s farm
FF 2	Roesch immigration document
FF 3	Newspaper article about Anne Larson
FF 4	1978 calendar signed by Larry Pressler
FF 5	Practice exercise book for Enumerators
FF 6	Enumerator’s Training Book
Item 1	Bird’s eye view of Campu fuston – Rolled
Item 2	Wall Pressing – Rolled

5. Series Five: Financial Papers

Box #5

FF 1	undated
FF 2	1902-1903
FF 3	1906-1909
FF 4	1910
FF 5	1910
FF 6	1911-1917
FF 7	1918-1921
FF 8	1922
FF 9	1923
FF 10	1924
FF 11	1925
FF 12	1925
FF 13	1926
FF 14	1927

FF 15	1928
FF 16	1928
FF 17	1929
FF 18	1930
FF 19	1940, 1954
FF 20	Checks/Receipts/Promissory Notes (1906-1918)
FF 21	Instructions for Fred Roesch's Payment to the Bank of Ipswich
FF 22	Satisfaction of School Fund Mortgage (1915)

## 6. Series Six: Correspondence

### Box #6

This box contains over 180 letters, each in its own individual folder. Most of the letters are originals. Some of the letters are copies. These letters are often to and from Christine Walth, Lillian Kantor, and Rosalie Geist. Most of the letters are in German and untranslated. At the end of the collection are folders that include Archival Notes. This collection is left in its original order. Look at the corresponding Excel spreadsheet for a list of letters, including which letters are translated, and which letters are online.

## 7. Series Seven: Photographs

### Box #7

This box contains 118 folders with the Larson family photographs. Many of the photos have notes on the back. This collection is left in its original order. If a photo is pulled from elsewhere in the collection, its original location is noted.

### OS1:DR2-OS1:DR4

#### Drawer 2

FF 1            Old photograph of a young girl

#### Drawer 3

FF 1            Picture of people at a fair

FF 2            Old oval photograph of 2 girls

#### Drawer 4

Item 1            Old photograph on canvas/wood frame (*photograph currently on exhibit*)



Frames from the photographs in this collection can be found in the vertical storage file, slots 2 and 3.

## 8. Series Eight: Ephemera

### Box #8

Items 1,2      Wool shawls made from the Roesch family's sheep

### Box #9

This box contains the following WWI uniform accessories:

Item 1	Army blanket
Items 2,3	Leg wraps
Item 4	Duffel bag
Item 5	Metal pot/bowl combo
Item 6	Canteen holder
Items 7,8	Unidentified metal equipment
FF 1	John Roesch's Pay Record Book

### Box #10

This box contains the following WWI uniform accessories:

Items 1,2	Metal pot in a carrying bag
Items 3-9	Metal pot with silverware, 2 dog tags, and a pendant
Items 9,10	Gas mask in a carrying bag
Items 11,12	Hat
Item 13	<i>Enoch Arden</i> (publication date 1900)

### Box #11

This box contains the following WWI uniform accessories:

Items 1,2	Belt with water bottle
Item 3	Metal helmet

Box #12

Item 1      Wooden Box

Box #15

Item 1      Wedding Dress

Box #16

Item 1      WWI Uniform

Box #17

Item 1      WWI Dress Coat

Box #18

Item 1      WWI Horsehair Coat

Unboxed

Item 1      Wooden Chest

OS1:DR3

FF 3        An embroidered work

9. Series Nine: Books

Box #13

Item 1      German Bible  
Item 2      German Bible  
Item 3      Liederschatz (Songbook)

- Item 4 Katechismus der Biblischen Heilswahrheiten (Catechism of Biblical Holy Truths)
- Item 5 German Bible
- Item 6 Die Großtaten Gottes Andachten für die Zeit vom 25 November bis zum 31. Dezember 1948 (Devotion for the time of November 25 until December 31 1948)
- Item 7 Daily Duty
- Item 8 Keifeplalter
- Item 9 Andachtsbüchlein (Devotion Booklet) Nr. 91
- Item 10 Ebangeliums – Lieder 1 und 2 (Gospel Hymns)
- Item 11 Gesangbuch (Songbook)
- Item 12 Pilgrim Fibel
- Item 13 The German-Russian Pioneer Cookbook
- Item 14 Menno: The First 100 years (in a binder)
- Item 15 Roscoe Centennial Cookbook
- Item 16 Our Daily Bread
- Item 17 Eat Drink and Be Merry: Heritage Recipes
- Item 18 Rosina Roesch's Memory Book
- Item 19 Mein Herr, meine Stärke (My Lord, my strength)
- Item 20 Praktischer Führer zur Gesundheit (Medical leader for Health)
- Item 21 The Ellis Island Immigrant Cookbook
- Item 22 German Bible
- Item 23 Chrifschonalieder

#### Box #14

- Item 1 Undachtbüchlein (Devotion Booklet) Nr. 108
- Item 2 Illustrierter Kirchenbote Kalende (Illustrated Church Messenger Calendar)
- Item 3 Sonntagsklänge (Sunday Sounds) Nr. 3
- Item 4 Joseph Der Erretter feines Volks (Joseph The Rescuer of his People) 1 Mos. 37-50
- Item 5 The Upper Room: Daily Devotions for Family and Individual Use
- Item 6 Handbuch der \_\_\_ Evangelischen Congregational Gemeinde in \_\_\_ Von der Gemeinde angenommen und herausgegeben (Handbook of \_\_\_ Evangelical Congregational Community in \_\_\_ Adopted by the Community and published)
- Item 7 Der Gekreuzigte unsere Weisheit; Andachten für die Zeit vom 8. Februar bis zum 28. März 1948 (The Christ on the Cross our Wisdom; Devotion For the time from February 8 until March 28 1948)
- Item 8 Evangeliums=Lieder 1 und 2 (Gospel Hymns\_ mit deutschen Kernlidern (Gospel Songs 1 and 2 (Gospel Hymns) with German Core Songs)
- Item 9 Bible
- Item 10 The Service Hymnal; In memory of: Mr. & Mrs. Fred Roesch
- Item 11 Die Heilige Taufe (The Holy Baptism)
- Item 12 German Hymnal from Russia
- Item 13 Bible Readings for the Home Circle
- Item 14 Exercise in Laboratory Physics
- Item 15 Branching Out: Emmy's Story
- Item 16 Miniaturbibel (Miniature Bible)
- Item 17 Bible

- Item 18 Pfarrer Heumann: Die Neue Heilmethode (Pastor Heuman: The New Healing Method)
- Item 19 Evangelisches Gesanbuch (Evangelical Song Book)
- Item 20 Wartburg Fibel
- Item 21 America-Herold Kalender
- Item 22 Sonnenschein in Familienkreise (Sunshine in the Family Circle)
- Item 23 German book with no cover
- Item 24 German hymn book with no cover
- Item 25 Webster's New World German Dictionary