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## **Vosse family photographs**

**Title:** Vosse family photographs

**Collection No:** MSS.2

**Extent:** 0.5 cubic feet

**Inclusive Dates:** 1903-1972 and undated

**Abstract:** The collection comprises photographs which document the lives of the Mose and Beulah Vosse family of Memphis from the late nineteenth century until the 1960s.

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## Biographical information

Mose Joseph Vosse was born on December 22, 1878, the son of Michael J. (born circa 1845), who had emigrated from Prussia, and Mena Vosse. Mose was a dry goods salesman in 1910, then became proprietor of the American Theatre, and later returned to sales for several companies. He married Beulah Rosenbush, the daughter of Meier (1853-1917) and Lizzie Maas Rosenbusch. Beulah was born in Indiana on September 21, 1884, and had four siblings: Corrine Marianne (married Leo Gronauer) (1880-1958), Isador "Isa" Jack (1880-1918), Florence, and Mervin Maas (1889-1969). Mose and Beulah had three children: Fred Michel (c. 1907-), Mose J. (c. 1913-), and Henry M. (1910-). Mose Vosse, Sr., died on August 2, 1955. An active member of Temple Israel Congregation, Beulah was principal of the Temple Israel Religious School and later chief clerk at Marx & Bendsdorf Realty for many years. She was a matron worthy of the Order of the Eastern Star and president of the Business and Professional Women's Club. Beulah Vosse died on August 29, 1972

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## Scope and contents

The collection comprises photographs which document the lives of the Vosse family. Included are images Beulah and Mose Vosse and their immediate and extended families from the late nineteenth century through the 1960s. The notable images include class photographs from Leath and Idlewild Schools and confirmation class photographs from Temple Israel Congregation.

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## Subject terms

Jews—Tennessee—Memphis—Photographs.  
Rosenbush family.  
Vosse, Beulah, 1884-1972—Photographs.  
Vosse, Mose J., 1878-1955—Photographs.  
Vosse family—Photographs.

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## Inventory

### Box 1

#### Folder

- 1 Mounted photographs: Vosse and Rosenbush families, 1903, 1908 and undated. Includes Mose Vosse's parents, Beulah Vosse's grandmother and family, Mose Vosse.
- 2 Mounted photographs: Vosse family, undated. Possibly all Beulah Rosenbush images.
- 3 Fred Michel Vosse, 1910-1927 and undated. Includes portraits of Fred, and: Group of 16 children and two women standing in front of a house, Memphis, Tenn., including: Fred

Michel Vosse, Isabel Heyman, Irene? Samelson, Louise Ottenheimer, Fannye Ottenheimer, Merrill Ehrman, Elizabeath Gronauer, Helene Baumgarten, Sarah Belle Gronauer, Eyelyn? Lowenthal, Rebecca Blank, Helena Hirsh, Janise Gronauer, Emily Halle, Lucille Ehrman, Max Herman Gronauer, Mrs. Caroline Gronauer (Chair), 1910 March 8; Class portrait: Idlewild School, Memphis, Tenn., Miss Russell's class 2-2, Fred Vosse is marked, circa 1912, photographer: Denison; Idlewild School, Memphis, Tenn., class 4-1?, Fred Vosse is marked, circa 1914, photographer, Gaston Park Studio; Confirmation class, Congregation Children of Israel, Memphis, Tenn., 1922, includes Mrs. W.H. Fineshriber, Lillian Braver, Babette Scharf, Dorothy Folz, Elsie Harris, Louise Goodman, Margaret Halle, Rabbi W.H. Fineshriber, Janet Sternberg, Dorothy Goldsmith, Violet Needleman, Doris Lowenthal, Bernice Rubenstein, Selma Cohn, Charles Beer, David Hiller, David Ballon, Fred Vosse, Edwin Stein, Wilbur Bloom, Estelle Jacobson, Betty Harris, Adeline Dermon, Grace Wolf, Marjorie Myers, Carolyn Lang, Henry Dinkelspiel, Howard Fineshriber, Lazarus Lewin, Harry Gerstel, John Brenner; Booklet: Festival of Confirmation, Congregation Children of Israel, Memphis, 1927 June 6.

Includes photograph.

- 4 Beulah and Mose Vosse, 1920, 1928, 1948 and undated.
- 5 Vosse family, 1919 and undated.
- 6 Fred Vosse?, Jack Vosse, Mike Vosse, 1941, 1962 and undated.
- 7 Vosse family, undated.
- 8 Beulah Vosse: Order of the Eastern Star, 1937, 1971-1972 and undated. Includes membership cards of Park Avenue Chapter No. 205.
- 9 Beulah Vosse and family, 1968, 1971 and undated (color).
- 10 Mervin Rosebush, Jr., family, 1966-1969 (color).
- 11 Friends and family, 1907-1945. Includes Joe Hoff, Kay Lowenthal, Mary Bendetta, Jimmy and Dorothy Coyle, Harry Moskowitz.
- 12 Unidentified, undated.
- 13 Negatives, circa 1959.
- Addition, 1993.**
- 14 Mounted photographs: Vosse family, 1910s? Portraits of Mose, Beulah, Fred, and Henry.
- 15 Class portrait: Idlewild School, Memphis, Tenn., class 1-2, circa 1914. Photographer: Gaston Park Studio, Rayburn & McLemore, Memphis.
- 16 Henry and Fred Vosse, 1940s-1950s. Includes: Souvenir photographs: Hotel Claridge, 1942 August; Hotel Peabody; Dinner party group, Holiday Inn, undated; Neolite Soles meeting group photo, undated.
- 17 Studio portraits, 1930s-1940s. Mose Vosse, Jr. Photographer: J. Goldsmith's & Sons, Memphis; Mose, Jr's wife. Photographer: J. Goldsmith's & Sons; Mose Jr. and wife, undated; Mrs. Mose Vosse, Jr.; unidentified Vosse children (?), circa 1940s; Fred Vosse in military uniform, 1940s.
- 18 Vosse family snapshots, 1930s-1950s.
- 19 Vosse family snapshots, 1950s-1960s.
- 20 Vosse family snapshots, 1953, 1961.
- 21 Vosse family snapshots, 1957-1958.
- 22 Vosse family snapshot booklets, 1950s-1960s. Includes Ansco Snapfolio book with 12 b/w photographs of a young child (Sherry Lynn Vosse), October 15, 1950. Other individuals unidentified.