

Henckel Family Collection
Adams County Historical Society

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PREFACE

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INTRODUCTION

This collection was found in the inventory and has no known donor. It was processed by Julian N. Weiss in 2013.

This is a great resource for research on any person with the last name of “Henckel,” “Hinkle,” or anything near that. Thousands of names of the descendants of Anthony Jacob Henckel are catalogued here, often with details about their lives and guidance to find more information. Henckels lived in America, usually on the east coast, from the early 18th century to modern times. There are people in these pages who lived during every historical event and had some hand in every part of American history. Historical memory plays a large part in these publications as well.

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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Reverend Anthony Jacob Henckel (October 1668 – August 17, 1728) was the founding father of the Henckel family in America (Henckel Family Association), and according to that same organization the first Lutheran pastor to settle in Pennsylvania. He became an ordained minister at Giessen University in 1692, and later emigrated from Merenberg to Philadelphia in 1717. His

wife Maria Elizabeth gave birth to twelve children, seven surviving infancy and joining the family on the trip to America. From those children sprang a very large family numbering in the hundreds only two centuries later and still growing. The Henckels have been farmers, waggoners, doctors, soldiers, preachers, and many other things. The Henckel Family Association has done a wonderful job of cataloguing this history.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

This collection contains 18 periodical booklets describing Henckel Family genealogy findings, research, family meetings, and general affairs for the Henckel Family Association from 1919 to 1939.

SERIES DESCRIPTIONS

Series I: Family Records- “Henckel Family Records” publication from 1926 to 1939, the “Henckel Family News Letter” from 1928 to 1930, and “The Henkel Memorial” series 2 number 3 from 1919.

CONTAINER LISTING

Box 1

- 1-1 Periodical - The Henckel Family Records, the History of the Henckel Family in Europe and America 1635-1717, May 1926, Series 1 Number 1.
- 1-2 Periodical - The Henckel Family Records, April 1927, Series 1 Number 2. Includes second reunion of the Henckel Family Association Norristown, PA May 24 and 25, 1927.
- 1-3 Periodical - The Henckel Family Records, February 1928, Series 1 Number 3.
- 1-4 Periodical - The Henckel Family News Letter, a seminannual supplement to the Henckel Family Records, July 1928, number 1.
- 1-5 Periodical - The Henckel Family Records, January 1929, Series 1 Number 4.
- 1-6 Periodical - The Henckel Family News Letter, July 1929, number 2.
- 1-7 Periodical - The Henckel Family Records, January 1930, Series 1 Number 5.
- 1-8 Periodical - The Henckel Family News Letter, July 1930, number 3.
- 1-9 Periodical - The Henckel Family Records, January 1930, Series 1 Number 6.
- 1-10 Periodical - The Henckel Family Records, July 1931, Series 1 Number 7.
- 1-11 Periodical - The Henckel Family Records, January 1932, Series 1 Number 8, includes letter from Henry Stewart to Cora C. Curry and note concerning a genealogy correction.
- 1-12 Periodical - The Henckel Family Records, July 1932, Series 1 Number 9.
- 1-13 Periodical - The Henckel Family Records, January 1933, Series 1 Number 10.
- 1-14 Periodical - The Henckel Family Records, January 1934, Series 1 Number 11.
- 1-15 Periodical - The Henckel Family Records, January 1935, Series 1 Number 12. In memoriam to Dr. William Campbell Posey.

- 1-16 Periodical - The Henckel Family Records, July 1935, Series 1 Number 13. In memoriam to Elon Osiander Henkel, former editor.
- 1-17 Periodical - The Henckel Family Records, August 1939, Series 1 Number 14.
- 1-18 Periodical – “The Henkel Memorial 1717-1917,” concerning St. Michael's Lutheran Church in Germantown, PA and other subjects, series 2 number 3, April 1919.