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### **Manuscript Finding Aid**

Title: Switzer Family  
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#### Biographical/ historical note:

Luin Switzer (1862-1944) owned and operated the Switzer Pharmacy at 322 Pequot Ave. in Southport, CT that opened in 1920. The pharmacy had a soda fountain, which employed many youth during the 1930s and 1940s.

Switzer's second wife, Gladys Boutiller Switzer Hawkins (1898-1975) married Luin in 1918. They had two sons, John (Joe) Rodgers Switzer (b. 1921) and William (Bill) Hastings Switzer (b. 1923).

Gladys sold the Switzer Pharmacy to Reingrad between 1945 and 1947.

Issac Newton Hawkins, second husband to Gladys, married her in July of 1973.

Luin's father, Andrew Jackson Switzer (1831-1912), worked for the Urbana Wine Company in Hammondsport, New York.

Scope and content note:

The materials in this collection are arranged by individual. Series A consists of documents pertaining to the achievements, family histories, and deaths within the Switzer family. The majority of the documents focus on Luin Switzer.

Series B of the Switzer Family collection contains photographs of primarily John and William Switzer as well as other members of their family and a limited number of buildings.