

**McLean County Museum of History**

**Loeseke / Quality Cafe Collection**

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**Collection Information**

Volume of Collection:	One Box.
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## **Folder Inventory**

### **Folder 1: Education**

- 1.1 Bloomington High School Diploma, June 2, 1933.
- 1.2 University of Illinois Commencement Letter, October 1, 1944.
- 1.3 Fraternity membership certificate, Sigma Tau, Theta Chapter, University of Illinois, May 1, 1943.
- 1.4 University of Illinois Twentieth Annual Honors Day program, May 5, 1944.
- 1.5 Membership certificate, Tau Beta Pi, University of Illinois, August 10, 1943.
- 1.6 Registered Professional Engineer License, State of Illinois, May 7, 1946.
- 1.7 Membership certificate, Phi Kappa Phi, University of Illinois, December 17, 1943.
- 1.8 Article, "Thirty-seven Seniors will Receive Bronze Tablet Honors Today," unknown newspaper, undated.
- 1.9 Article, "Bronze Tablet 1944," Daily Illini, February 2, 1944.

### **Folder 2: Military Service, Navy**

- 2.1 V-12, Co. A, Winter Formal dance card, January 29, 1944.
- 2.2 USNA Commissioning Exercises ticket, August 23, 1944.
- 2.3 Invitation, USNR Commissioning Exercises, August 23, 1944.
- 2.4 Introduction Card with receipt for full payment of a Chrysler on the back.
- 2.5 Program, USNA Commissioning Exercises, August 23, 1944.
- 2.6 "Dead Soldiers and Living Murderers," a poem.
- 2.7 Certificate of Satisfactory Service, World War II, December 29, 1945.
- 2.8 Memorial certificate from President Gerald Ford for military service.
- 2.9 U.S. Naval Reserve Educational Center recognition of training, July 24, 1945.
- 2.10 Letter, temporary assignment duty, November 23, 1945.
- 2.11 Enlistment papers, U.S. Navy, August 25, 1942.
- 2.12 Officer's Qualification Record, 1943-1945.

### **Folder 3: Carl Loeseke, miscellaneous**

- 3.1 Certificate, one share of stock, Corn Belt Fair and Exposition Park, September 1, 1927.
- 3.2 Business card, Karl's Custom Music.
- 3.3 Stationary, Karl's Custom Music, 2 pieces.
- 3.4 Letter of recognition, Managerial Award, December 21, 1961.
- 3.5 Paper, "Circuits for Testing Reliability of Relays", by Carl Loeseke, General Electric Company, April 23-25, 1963.
- 3.6 Stock certificate, one share Al-Chem Laboratory, Inc., March 3, 1965.
- 3.7 Letter, December 25, 1972.
- 3.8 "The Economics of a Place to Live," December 1972.
- 3.9 "The Economics of Car Ownership," December 1972.
- 3.10 License certificate, registered professional engineer, August 8, 1975.

- 3.11 Article, "Play Initial Round Monday," no sources.
- 3.12 News photo with the William Beichs, no sources.
- 3.13 Article, "Ernie & Pick Ousted From Bank pool Meet," no sources.
- 3.14 Article, "Kelley buys Music Outlet", clipping, no sources.
- 3.15 Article, "Tennis Club Formed to Rejuvenate Sport," Pantagraph, May 15, 1949.
- 3.16 Article, "Electromagnetic Relay Conference Attracts 47 Engineer-Authors," Daily O'Collegain, April 24, 1963.
- 3.17 Article, "Developer, ex-resident dead at 61," December 16, 1976.
- 3.18 Obituary, Carl J. Loeseke, January 1, 1963.
- 3.19 Photos, Carl Loeseke and Willie Hoppe, 3 pieces.
- 3.20 News photos, dogs, 2 pieces.
- 3.21 News photo, "Bloomington High Tennis Players Win Big 12 Crown," no sources.
- 3.22 News photo, "Students Tour Engineering Section," no sources.

#### **Folder 4: Quality Cafe, Rathskeller, Jan's Grill**

- 4.1 Letter of Recognition, First prize in menu contest, May 27, 1940.
- 4.2 Stationary, Jan's Grill, 4 pieces.
- 4.3 Post card, interior view of Rathskeller.
- 4.4 Ads, Quality Cafe Celebrates Formal Opening in New Location 4 pieces.
- 4.5 Ads, Grand Opening of Karls Quality Cafe, 2 pieces.
- 4.6 Ad, "Karl Invites You," April 6, 1951.
- 4.7 "Vanity and 'Tyne' Feted," no sources.
- 4.8 Ad, "Karl's Quality Cafe Has Been Sold, no sources.
- 4.9 Ad, "The 3 Twins," no sources.
- 4.10 News Photo, March of Dimes Benefit, no sources.
- 4.11 News Photo, "Hits Right Note at Dinner," Pantagraph, undated.
- 4.12 News photo, "Quality Cafe Remodeled," Pantagraph, undated, 2 copies.
- 4.13 Article, "Soup Saturday Fare Since, '18," Daily Pantagraph, September 30, 1954.
- 4.14 Article, "All Over The Map," September 29, 1956.
- 4.15 Article, "Frenchman Shows Yanks How To Cook Irish Dish," Daily Pantagraph, March 16, 1957, pg 5, col. 1, 2 copies.
- 4.16 Article, "Please Pass the Relish," July 1959.
- 4.17 Article, "Loeseke salad dressing," no sources.
- 4.18 Article, "Quality Cafe To Be Steve's Latin Village," Pantagraph, May, 1960.
- 4.29 Article, "How Time Flies," Pantagraph, May 10, 1985
- 4.20 Article, "Downtown Shows Signs of Virility," May 12, 1960.
- 4.21 Article, "Fire Ruins Main St. Building," Pantagraph, May 25, 1966.
- 4.22 Article, "Victims of Blaze Recount Losses," Pantagraph, May 26, 1966.
- 4.23 Article, "Here's a gourmet coup: 2 Loeseke dressings," Pantagraph, October 30, 1974, 2 copies.
- 4.24 Article, "Chili, Chile, Chilly," Bill Linneman column, Normalite, November 6, 2008.

#### **Folder 5: Terrace Restaurant**

- 5.1 News photo, "Damsel's Investment Group," undated.
- 5.2 Article, "Bridge Circle To Try Hand At Restaurant Operation," Pantagraph, May 8, 1963, pg. 5.
- 5.3 Article, "Share Business a Year, 7 Women Still Friends," Pantagraph, June 7, 1964, pg. 23.
- 5.4 Article, "How Time Flies," Pantagraph, May 8, 1988.

**Folder 6: Jan Loeseke nee Hoyt**

- 6.1 Commencement program, Illinois State University, 1940 for Doris Janet Hoyt.
- 6.2 Employment papers, Office of Emergency Management, November 1, 1943-October 18, 1944.
- 6.3 Employment Contract, Clinton High School, April 23, 1943.
- 6.4 Correspondence, Office of Emergency Management, 5 pieces.
- 6.5 Yearbook, Normal Community High School, 1936.
- 6.6 "Education Today", May, 1957.
- 6.7 Distinguished Service Member scroll, Metcalf PTA, March, 1958.
- 6.8 "Move Up Your Potential," undated.
- 6.9 ISNU yearbook pages and photo clippings, 8 pieces.
- 6.10 Brochure, "Teaching in Elementary Schools and Junior High Schools," ISNU, undated.
- 6.11 New photo, "Club President," no sources.
- 6.12 News photos, "ISNU Holds Prom, Annual Alumni Luncheon," Pantagraph, June 10, 1952.
- 6.13 News photo, "Pictured at the Consistory," Pantagraph, April 11, 1954, pg. 19.
- 6.14 News photos, Metcalf PTA, Pantagraph, May 24, 1957, pg. 12, 2 pieces.
- 6.15 New photos, Guest of Honor, Pantagraph, undated
- 6.16 Article, "Private Papers," no sources.
- 6.17 Article, "Several Engagements Foretell Coming Weddings of Autumn," Pantagraph, September 3, 1944.
- 6.18 Article, "Miss Janet Hoyt to Visit Before Annapolis Wedding," Pantagraph, October 8, 1944, pg. 12.
- 6.19 Article, "96<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration for ISNU," February 15, 1953 pg. 16.
- 6.20 Article, "Vacation Ideas Up for Study At Metcalf," Pantagraph, April 29, 1956, 2 copies
- 6.21 News photo, Pantagraph, May 24, 1957
- 6.22 Thank you letter from ISNU President Robert Bone, January 20, 1958.
- 6.23 Article, "They're Organized to Invest," Pantagraph, March 10, 1963, pg. 23, col. 6, 2 copies.

**Folder 7: Miscellaneous**

- 7.1 Aerial photos, 8 pieces.
- 7.2 Loeseke Lake Association, Inc. certificates. November 1, 1968, 2 pieces.
- 7.3 "Bloomington Is On The Move, 1850-1964," by Mayor Bob McGraw.
- 7.4 Page from the Alumni Register, July, 1974.

- 7.5 Pancake & Sausage Day Menu, December 11, 1951.
- 7.6 News photos, Susan Loeseke in visual impairment class, Pantagraph, undated, 2 copies.
- 7.7 News photo, Bill Loeseke, Pantagraph, undated.
- 7.8 News photo, "For Al Fresco Entertaining," June 30, 1967, 2 copies.
- 7.9 Article, "Council OK's Trailer Park, Zoning, Rejects Club Plan," Pantagraph, undated.
- 7.10 Article, "Suit Challenges City Authority In Zoning Case, no sources.
- 7.11 News photo, Ensign Bill Rice, no sources.
- 7.12 Article, "City to unload unwanted building," Pantagraph, undated.
- 7.13 Article, "Sentimental Attachment," Pantagraph, July 2, 1967.
- 7.14 Summary of Loeseke family starting with Carl Joseph Loeseke

**Folder 8: Menus, The Quality Cafe and Rathskeller**

- 8.1 Menu, Karls Quality Cafe, 2 copies.
- 8.2 The Quality Cafe and Rathskeller General Menu.
- 8.3 Christmas menus, 3 versions
- 8.4 Breakfast Menu.
- 8.5 Thanksgiving Menu, 2 copies from November 28, 1946 and one undated
- 8.6 New Year's Menu, 1941
- 8.7 Symphonic Hour menu, March 5, March 19, and March 26, 1940
- 8.8 Easter menus, 2 versions
- 8.9 Patriotic menu.
- 8.10 Passion Play menu.

**Folder 9: War Labor Board**

- 9.1 War Labor Board Membership list, 2 copies, undated.
- 9.2 Article, "First Chicago Firm Is Fines For Pay Raises," no sources.
- 9.3 Article, "New Midwest Chief of WLB, Only 33, Has Been Around," Chicago Daily News, November 30, 1942.

**Loose Item: Scrapbook of Carl Wm. Loeseke**

Contains photographs: General Loeseke-Hoyt family and friends, Bloomington schools class pictures, University of Illinois, Quality Cafe, J. J. "Tannie" Alikonis and family, travel photos with descriptions, and miscellaneous other photographs. Some news photographs from 1933 and Leap Year Dance and wedding license for Carl W. Loeseke and Mary Post.