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**THOMAS, NORMAN E.**

PAPERS, 1950-1952  
(bulk dates, 1950-1952)  
Quantity .25 linear ft.

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## History

Norman E. Thomas was a professor of History at Black Hills State Teachers College from 1946-1949.

## Scope and Content Note

The Norman E. Thomas Collection contains materials created during research for Thomas' article "The Hutterite Brethren" that was eventually published in *South Dakota Historical Collections* v. 25. The collection is comprised of five series:

### **Correspondence, Maps, Printed Materials, Typescripts and Ephemera.**

The **Correspondence** series contains one letter from Will G. Robinson, Secretary of the South Dakota State Historical Society, concerning Thomas' manuscript.

The **Map** series contain maps of Beadle and Hanson Counties and South Dakota that have holographic notes that highlight the locations of the Hutterite colonies in South Dakota.

The **Printed Materials** series contains a photocopy of Thomas' article and two newspaper clippings commenting on Hutterite life.

The **Typescripts** series contains a flow chart for the Hutterite Colonies that shows the origins of each colony. Also included is a rough draft of Thomas's article "The Hutterian Brethren" and information sheets giving statistical data on each of the South Dakota Colonies. All material in this series has holographic notes.

The **Ephemera** series contains an unused Crushed Wheat sack from the Roller Mills. The mill was run by the Rockport colony located near Alexandria, South Dakota. The mill was closed in 1947.

## Subjects:

Hutterian Brethren - - South Dakota

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**Box 1**

CORRESPONDENCE

Incoming  
Robinson, Will G.  
1950, July 26

MAPS

Beadle County Highway Map  
Hanson County  
Hutterite Locations, 1950, July

PRINTED MATERIALS

“Hutterian Brethren” by Norman Thomas, *South Dakota Historical Collections* v. 25 (photocopy)  
News clippings  
“Pioneer Hutterite Colony Mill Razed”, *Argus Leader*, 1950, Aug. 20  
“Rare Photos of South Dakota’s Christian Communists”, *Minneapolis Sunday Tribune*, 1952, July 27

TYPESCRIPTS

Colony Flow Chart  
“The Hutterite Brethren” (2 copies)  
Hutterite Colony in South Dakota Information (2 copies)  
Hutterites in South Dakota, 1950

EPHEMERA

Crushed Wheat sack from Roller Mills, Alexandria, South Dakota