

Collection Summary

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Title: Icarians

Extent: 14 Folder(s), 1 Box, 1 Folder

Span Dates: 1848-2009

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Geographic Location: Various

Abstract: This collection consists of newsletters, conference papers, articles, publications, and general information about the community. Photographs of the community can be found at:

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Selected Search Terms

Subjects: Communal living; Collective settlements; Housing, Cooperative; Collective farms; Commune; Utopian socialism; Cabet, Étienne, 1788-1856; Icarian movement

Historical Notes: In 1839 the French radical Etienne Cabet published a novel entitled *Voyage en Icarie* (In English *Travels in Icaria*), a utopian romance reminiscent of Thomas More's Utopia. A movement arose to try to enact the novel, and in 1848 Icarian believers began to leave France for a million-acre holding Cabet had purchased in Texas. The location of that original colony site turned out to be disastrous, so the remaining Icarians regrouped and purchased the previously Mormon town of Nauvoo, Illinois, which the Mormons had abandoned after the death of their founder Joseph Smith, Jr. Conflicts eventually arose in Nauvoo, and the smaller of two factions, including Cabet, were expelled and settled in Cheltenham, Missouri, just outside of St. Louis. IN 1860 the Nauvoo Icarians, mired in financial straits, moved to Corning in southwest Iowa. There another schism occurred in 1878; the community was divided into Young Icaria and New Icaria. Beginning in 1881 the New Icarians moved to California and formed Icaria Speranza, which lasted until it went bankrupt in 1886. The last Icaria, in Iowa, endured until 1898, when the remaining members agreed to dissolve the community. (Miller, Timothy. *The encyclopedic guide to American intentional communities*. Clinton, New York: Richard W. Couper Press, 2013. pg.218)

Administrative Information

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