

Historical society adds Hachmeister photos and materials to its archives

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The Naples Historical Society has added photos and materials of John Hachmeister to its extensive archival collection. Ruth Ann Burnett, great niece of Mr. Hackmeister, loaned original photographs, documents and materials for NHS to scan and utilize for the benefit of the organization and its mission.



Mr. Hachmeister in 1918.

John "Jack" — or affectionately, "Hack" — Hachmeister (1870-1940) was a memorable and remarkable early Naples resident who was tenacious at making his own mark in life. According to Earl Baum's book, "Early Naples and Collier County," "Hack" started working at age 14 in St. Louis, "...at the Horse Racing Fair, clerking in a shoe store, working days for a folding chair company, and at night, punching holes in leather washers for five cents a quart."



COURTESY PHOTOS

After some time, he was gainfully

employed as a secretary or general manager of six racetracks, including Churchill Downs. He had a masterful talent in designing racing grounds to make them more beautiful and functional. It was Mr. Hachmeister's contribution to Naples' streetscapes that resulted in two blocks of Broad Avenue having two lanes with greenery in the center. He lived in Naples from 1912 until his passing.

To see the NHS archives and/or to purchase Dr. Baum's book (\$3.18) that captures the characters of early Naples, visit historic Palm Cottage at 137 12th Avenue South. The NHS receives no government funding and relies on membership dues and donations to survive. Palm Cottage and The Norris Gardens are open Tuesday through Saturday from 1-4 p.m. \$8 per person is the requested donation. For more information, visit www.NaplesHistoricalSociety.org or call 261-8164. ■

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