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Collection Overview

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CALL NUMBER: MS 1285

CREATOR: Hayes, L. Newton

TITLE: Luther Newton Hayes papers

DATES: 1912–1929

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 0.75 linear feet

LANGUAGE: English

SUMMARY: A collection of seventy lantern slides (ca. 1912, hand tinted) of the Great Wall of China made by L. Newton Hayes (1883-ca. 1979) and the explorer William Edgar Geil. Also in the papers is the text of a lecture by Hayes on the slides, a book by Hayes on the Great Wall published in 1929 and miscellaneous Chinese documents. Also among the papers is a portrait of Li Hung-chang, Grand Councillor to the Empress Dowager Tsu Hsi.

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f. folder

Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition
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Preferred Citation
Luther Newton Hayes Papers (MS 1285). Manuscripts and Archives, Yale University Library.

Biographical / Historical
The son of American missionaries, Luther Newton Hayes was born on April 19, 1883, in Soochow, China. He received a B.S. from Wooster College in 1905 and an M.A. from Princeton University in 1907. For the next twenty-five years, Hayes worked in China, mostly with the YMCA, but also as an English tutor to the prime minister’s grandson. After returning to the United States, Hayes worked at various universities as an administrator and at a museum in Plattsburgh, New York, as a curator. He served in the military during World War II. He wrote two books, The Great Wall of China and The Chinese Dragon. In 1923, he married Frances Gray, who died the following year, but with whom he had one child. In 1927, he married Rhea Pumphrey. Hayes may have died in 1979.

Scope and Contents
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Inventory

This is a collection of materials concerning Luther Newton Hayes (1883-1979?), who was born in China and collected many Chinese documents and artifacts. The leading feature of the collection is a set of lantern slides of the Great Wall. According to Hayes’ wife, these were taken by Hayes and William E. Geil. (After Geil’s death, Hayes hired two landscape artists in Shanghai to color them.) Hayes used the slides in a lecture presentation; a printed version of the lecture is in the collection. The papers were given by Mrs. L. Newton Hayes in September, 1979, and July, 1980 to the Yale-China Association and subsequently transferred to Manuscripts and Archives.

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Selected Search Terms
The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library’s online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

Subjects
Chinese language -- Texts

Geographic Names
Asia
China -- Description and travel
Great Wall of China (China)

Genres / Formats
Lantern slides

Names
Geil, William Edgar
Hayes, L. Newton