

# Guide to the Ellison and Lottie Hildreth Papers

RG 15



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## Collection Overview

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**CALL NUMBER:** RG 15

**CREATOR:** Hildreth, Ellison, 1884-1962

**TITLE:** Ellison and Lottie Hildreth papers

**DATES:** 1886-1977

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 6 linear feet (15 boxes)

**LANGUAGE:** English

**SUMMARY:** The papers provide valuable documentation of the work of the American Baptist South China Mission, complementing the Foster Family papers and Campbell Family papers also located at Yale Divinity School Library. The Hildreths' experiences are representative of many American missionaries to China in the early part of this century. Substantive correspondence with family members and fellow missionaries documents their striving to reach the mission field, their initial impressions of China, family life in China, daily educational and evangelistic work, and the political unrest rampant in South China during their tenure. The intense anti-Christian movement in the mid 1920s is well documented. Ellison Hildreth served as a Baptist home missionary from 1910 until 1913. From 1913-1927, the Hildreths were American Baptist missionaries in South China. During a furlough from 1918-1919, Ellison Hildreth served with the YMCA in Siberia. From 1928-1949, he served as pastor of Federated Churches in Vermont and Connecticut.

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## Requesting Instructions

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Key to the container abbreviations used in the PDF finding aid:

b.        box  
f.        folder

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## Administrative Information

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### Conditions Governing Access

The materials are open for research.

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### Preferred Citation

Ellison and Lottie Hildreth Papers (RG 15), Special Collections, Yale Divinity Library.

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### Processing Information

Place names were modernized in the description, with the name originally used in the collection material or in an older version of the finding aid in parenthesis: e.g. "Beijing (Peking)" or "Benin (Dahomey)".

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## Biographical / Historical

| Date          | Event   |
|---------------|---|
| 1882 June 18  | ○ Lottie Rowe Lane born in Walpole, Massachusetts, daughter of Everett Lane and Carrie Wetherby Lane.   |
| 1884 July 17  | ○ Ellison Story Hildreth born in Holyoke, Massachusetts, son of Judge John Hildreth and Kate Barker Story Hildreth. (Ellison was also known as "Bob", and in later life as E. Story.)   |
| 1905          | ○ Lottie, B.A., Mt. Holyoke College. Following graduation, she taught school in New York and New Jersey.  |
| 1906          | ○ Ellison, B.A., Amherst College.   |
| 1906-1907     | ○ Ellison attended Colgate Rochester Seminary.  |
| 1909          | ○ Ellison graduated from Union Theological Seminary, N.Y.   |
| 1909 December | ○ Ellison became a Student Volunteer at the SVM convention in Rochester, N.Y.   |
| 1909-1910     | ○ Ellison taught at Cedarcroft School, Pennsylvania.  |
| 1910-1913     | ○ Ellison served as Baptist home missionary in Covelo, California.  |
| 1913 June     | ○ Lottie and Ellison married. Children: John Lane Hildreth and Alice Lane Hildreth.   |
| 1913-1927     | ○ American Baptist missionaries in South China. After two years of language study in Kakchieh, they were assigned to Chaochaofu. On return from furlough in 1920, Ellison was in charge of the country work around Chaochaofu and in 1923 a few churches north of Shantou (Swatow) were added to his field. |
| 1918-1919     | ○ Ellison served with YMCA in Siberia.  |
| 1927          | ○ Ellison attended seminary. Family unable to return to China because of poor health.   |
| 1928-1936     | ○ Ellison pastor of Federated Church in Cabot, Vermont.   |

| Date             | Event  |
|------------------|--|
| 1936-1940        | ○ Ellison pastor of Federated Church in South Royalton, Vermont.       |
| 1940-1949        | ○ Ellison pastor of Federated Church of Christ, Brooklyn, Connecticut. |
| 1962 December 17 | ○ Ellison died.  |
| 1977 November 24 | ○ Lottie died.   |

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## Scope and Contents

The Hildreth Papers provide valuable documentation of the work of the American Baptist South China mission, complementing the Foster Family Papers and Campbell Family Papers also located at YDSL. Ellison and Lottie Hildreth were well-educated and intelligent New Englanders whose experiences are representative of many American missionaries to China in the early part of this century.

Substantive correspondence with family members and fellow missionaries documents their striving to reach the mission field, their initial impressions of China, family life in China (including the death in infancy of their first two children), daily educational and evangelistic work, and the political unrest rampant in South China during their tenure. Extensive correspondence from Ellison to Lottie during the six years prior to their marriage deals primarily with events of daily life but provides glimpses of the difficulties encountered in coordinating family expectations with early plans to go to China. In letters from China to their parents, Ellison and Lottie give detailed descriptions of events and surroundings. In April of 1916, for example, Ellison wrote to his mother about the revolution taking place around them: "Swatow has gracefully gone to the rebels. The chief magistrate fled on board a Chinese warship and left the harbor. We hear that Chaoyang, Kityang, Unkung, Thenghai and Kaying have all sided with the rebels. That means that the power and the soldiers are all in the hands of the revolutionary party, and we can expect as good protection as we have had or better." (ESH to mother 1916 Apr 1 (Box 3, Folder 34))

During this period of unrest, Ellison and some fellow missionaries were involved in negotiations between warring factions. (A rubbing of the granite stone memorializing this involvement is in OVERSIZE material. Photograph and translation available in Box 11, Folder 148.) The intense anti-Christian movement in the mid 1920s is well documented. A letter from Ellison to William Ashmore and others dated 1925 Dec 28, for example, provides detailed description of anti-Christian demonstrations occurring at Christmas in Chaochaofu.

Substantive documentation of the situation in South China is also available following the Hildreths' final return to the U.S. in 1927 through letters of fellow missionaries, particularly those of Ben and Alice Baker, the Hildreth's American Baptist colleagues at Chaochaofu.

The Notes and Writings of Series II deal primarily with the China experiences of the Hildreths. Included are many notes for talks about China given after their return to the United States. Of particular interest among the writings about China collected by the Hildreths is a typescript document by Emanuel H. Giedt entitled "Early Mission History of the Swatow Region Brought Down to the Present for the American Baptist Mission" (1946).

The Personal Items and Memorabilia of Series III shed light on the context of the Hildreths' China years. Family background is provided through newspaper clippings and an autobiographical sketch of Ellison's early years. A notebook-diary from the China years details daily events. A few written musings of Lottie provide insight into her personal feelings and beliefs. Photographs of the Hildreths' surroundings and colleagues in China are well identified.

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## Arrangement

- I. Correspondence, 1902-1967
- II. Notes and Writings, 1914-1966
- III. Personal Items and Memorabilia, 1886-1977

## Collection Contents

### Series I: Correspondence, 1902-1967

This series is divided into the following categories:

- A. Family Correspondence
  1. Correspondence of Ellison Story Hildreth (to LLH, to/from parents)
  2. Correspondence of Lottie Lane Hildreth (to ESH, to/from parents)
  3. Correspondence of Ellison and Lottie Hildreth (to/from children, siblings, aunt)
- B. General Correspondence

#### Family Correspondence

##### Correspondence of Ellison Story Hildreth

|                |  |                                   |
|----------------|--|-----------------------------------|
| b. 1, f. 1-12  | ESH to Lottie Lane Hildreth  | 1905-1908 May                     |
| b. 2, f. 13-24 | ESH to Lottie Lane Hildreth  | 1908 Jun-1918                     |
| b. 3, f. 25    | ESH to Lottie Lane Hildreth, from China and the United States<br><a href="#">RG15 Box3 Folder25</a>  | ca. 1919, 1927, ca. 1938, no date |
| b. 3, f. 26-27 | ESH to Lottie Lane Hildreth<br><a href="#">RG15 Box3 Folder26</a><br><a href="#">RG15 Box3 Folder27</a>  | n.d.                              |
| b. 3, f. 28-37 | ESH to John and Kate Barker Story Hildreth (parents)<br><a href="#">RG15 Box3 Folder28</a><br><a href="#">RG15 Box3 Folder29</a><br><a href="#">RG15 Box3 Folder30</a><br><a href="#">RG15 Box3 Folder31</a><br><a href="#">RG15 Box3 Folder32</a><br><a href="#">RG15 Box3 Folder33</a><br><a href="#">RG15 Box3 Folder34</a><br><a href="#">RG15 Box3 Folder35</a><br><a href="#">RG15 Box3 Folder36</a><br><a href="#">RG15 Box3 Folder37</a> | 1907-1924, n.d.                   |
| b. 3, f. 38    | ESH from John and Kate Barker Story Hildreth (parents)<br><a href="#">RG15 Box3 Folder38</a>   | 1910-1911, n.d.                   |
| b. 3, f. 39    | ESH to Carrie Lane (mother-in-law)<br><a href="#">RG15 Box3 Folder39</a>   | 1915-1916, n.d.                   |

##### Correspondence of Lottie Lane Hildreth

|                |  |                        |
|----------------|--|------------------------|
| b. 4, f. 40-42 | LLH to Ellison Story Hildreth<br><a href="#">RG15 Box4 Folder40</a><br><a href="#">RG15 Box4 Folder41</a><br><a href="#">RG15 Box4 Folder42</a>  | 1916-1940              |
| b. 4, f. 43-53 | LLH to Carrie and Everett Lane (parents)<br><a href="#">RG15 Box4 Folder43</a><br><a href="#">RG15 Box4 Folder44</a><br><a href="#">RG15 Box4 Folder45</a><br><a href="#">RG15 Box4 Folder46</a><br><a href="#">RG15 Box4 Folder47</a><br><a href="#">RG15 Box4 Folder48</a> | 1905, 1911-1915<br>Sep |

## Family Correspondence &gt; Correspondence of Lottie Lane Hildreth (continued)

[RG14\\_Box4\\_Folder49](#)  
[RG15\\_Box4\\_Folder50](#)  
[RG15\\_Box4\\_Folder51](#)  
[RG15\\_Box4\\_Folder52](#)  
[RG15\\_Box4\\_Folder53](#)

|   |  |                        |
|---|--|------------------------|
| b. 5, f. 54-67                                | LLH to Carrie and Everett Lane (parents)<br><a href="#">RG15_Box5_Folder54</a><br><a href="#">RG15_Box5_Folder55</a><br><a href="#">RG15_Box5_Folder56</a><br><a href="#">RG15_Box5_Folder57</a><br><a href="#">RG15_Box5_Folder58</a><br><a href="#">RG15_Box5_Folder59</a><br><a href="#">RG15_Box5_Folder60</a><br><a href="#">RG15_Box5_Folder61</a><br><a href="#">RG15_Box5_Folder62</a><br><a href="#">RG15_Box5_Folder63</a><br><a href="#">RG15_Box5_Folder64</a><br><a href="#">RG15_Box5_Folder65</a><br><a href="#">RG15_Box5_Folder66</a><br><a href="#">RG15_Box5_Folder67</a> | 1915 Oct-1938,<br>n.d. |
| b. 6, f. 68-70                                | LLH to/from Kate Hildreth (parents-in-law)<br><a href="#">RG15_Box6_Folder68</a><br><a href="#">RG15_Box6_Folder69</a><br><a href="#">RG15_Box6_Folder70</a>   | 1907-1937              |
| Correspondence of Ellison and Lottie Hildreth |  |                        |
| b. 6, f. 71-73                                | ESH and LLH to/from Lucelia Wetherby (aunt of LLH)<br><a href="#">RG15_Box6_Folder71</a><br><a href="#">RG15_Box6_Folder72</a><br><a href="#">RG15_Box6_Folder73</a>   | 1907-1922              |
| b. 6, f. 74                                   | ESH and LLH to/from Fannie Hildreth (sister of ESH)<br><a href="#">RG15_Box6_Folder74</a>  | 1914,1915,1938         |
| b. 6, f. 75-77                                | ESH and LLH to/from John (Jay) Hildreth (son)<br><a href="#">RG15_Box6_Folder75</a><br>RG15_Box6_Folder76<br><a href="#">RG15_Box6_Folder77</a>  | 1940-1965, n.d.        |
| b. 6, f. 78                                   | ESH and LLH to/from Alice Hildreth Ballou and family (daughter)<br><a href="#">RG15_Box6_Folder78</a>  | 1940, 1952-1953        |
| b. 6, f. 79-82                                | ESH and LLH to/from siblings of LLH<br><a href="#">RG15_Box6_Folder79</a><br><a href="#">RG15_Box6_Folder80</a><br><a href="#">RG15_Box6_Folder81</a><br><a href="#">RG15_Box6_Folder82</a>  | 1902-1913              |

## Family Correspondence &gt; Correspondence of Ellison and Lottie Hildreth (continued)

|                               |   |                         |
|-------------------------------|---|-------------------------|
| b. 7, f. 83-92                | ESH and LLH to/from siblings of LLH<br><a href="#">RG15_Box7_Folder83</a><br><a href="#">RG15_Box7_Folder84</a><br><a href="#">RG15_Box7_Folder85</a><br><a href="#">RG15_Box7_Folder86</a><br><a href="#">RG15_Box7_Folder87</a><br><a href="#">RG15_Box7_Folder88</a><br><a href="#">RG15_Box7_Folder89</a><br><a href="#">RG15_Box7_Folder90</a><br><a href="#">RG15_Box7_Folder91</a><br><a href="#">RG15_Box7_Folder92</a> | 1914-1965, n.d.         |
| <b>General Correspondence</b> |   |                         |
| b. 7, f. 93                   | Adams, Mabel and ?<br><a href="#">RG15_Box7_Folder93</a>  | 1923,n.d.               |
| b. 7, f. 93                   | Allen, Benjamin F., 2nd<br><a href="#">RG15_Box7_Folder93</a>   | 1904-1906               |
| b. 7, f. 94                   | American Baptist Foreign Mission Society<br><a href="#">RG15_Box7_Folder94</a>  | 1926                    |
| b. 7, f. 94                   | Ashmore, William et al<br><a href="#">RG15_Box7_Folder94</a>  | 1925                    |
| b. 7, f. 94                   | Associate Mission Treasurers (See also: Lacey, Ethel)<br><a href="#">RG15_Box7_Folder94</a>   | 1925-1938               |
| b. 7, f. 95-100               | Baker, Alice and Ben<br><a href="#">RG15_Box7_Folder95</a><br><a href="#">RG15_Box7_Folder96</a><br>RG15_Box7_Folder97<br><a href="#">RG15_Box7_Folder98</a><br><a href="#">RG15_Box7_Folder99</a><br><a href="#">RG15_Box7_Folder100</a>   | 1922,1925-<br>1938,n.d. |
| b. 8, f. 101                  | Bartholomew, Bob<br><a href="#">RG15_Box8_Folder101</a>   | 1912-1938, n.d.         |
| b. 8, f. 102                  | Bolles, Charlton<br><a href="#">RG15_Box8_Folder102</a>   | 1907,1909,<br>1940,1944 |
| b. 8, f. 102                  | Boresfield, Lillie<br><a href="#">RG15_Box8_Folder102</a>   | 1926                    |
| b. 8, f. 102                  | Brinstad, C.W.<br><a href="#">RG15_Box8_Folder102</a>   | 1911                    |
| b. 8, f. 103                  | Brown, Velva<br><a href="#">RG15_Box8_Folder103</a>   | 1928                    |
| b. 8, f. 103                  | Buchelen, E.B.<br><a href="#">RG15_Box8_Folder103</a>   | n.d.                    |
| b. 8, f. 103                  | Butler, E.S.<br><a href="#">RG15_Box8_Folder103</a>   | 1916                    |

## General Correspondence (continued)

|              |  |                          |
|--------------|--|--------------------------|
| b. 8, f. 103 | Capen<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder103</a>                       | 1915-1929                |
| b. 8, f. 104 | Chamberlin<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder104</a>                  | 1925                     |
| b. 8, f. 104 | Cheng, S.<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder104</a>                   | 1940                     |
| b. 8, f. 104 | Chwang, S.<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder104</a>                  | 1926-1928                |
| b. 8, f. 105 | Clark, Brooks<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder105</a>               | 1914                     |
| b. 8, f. 105 | Edgar, Alice<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder105</a>                | 1957                     |
| b. 8, f. 105 | Everham, M.<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder105</a>                 | 1927, 1931               |
| b. 8, f. 106 | Field, L.D.<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder106</a>                 | 1946                     |
| b. 8, f. 106 | Franklin<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder106</a>                    | 1925                     |
| b. 8, f. 106 | Fuller, A.<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder106</a>                  | 1926                     |
| b. 8, f. 106 | Griesbach<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder106</a>                   | n.d.                     |
| b. 8, f. 107 | Giffen, Annie M.<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder107</a>            | 1928-1951                |
| b. 8, f. 107 | Haggard<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder107</a>                     | 1915                     |
| b. 8, f. 107 | Hallock<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder107</a>                     | 1924                     |
| b. 8, f. 108 | Hazen, Florence and William<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder108</a> | 1933                     |
| b. 8, f. 108 | Herrick, W.B.<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder108</a>               | 1909                     |
| b. 8, f. 108 | Hobart, Kenneth and Waneta<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder108</a>  | 1931-1932                |
| b. 8, f. 108 | Huggins, Alice M.<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder108</a>           | 1934                     |
| b. 8, f. 109 | James, Douglas<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder109</a>              | 1927-1929                |
| b. 8, f. 109 | James, Mary<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder109</a>                 | 1925-1928,<br>1934, 1945 |

## General Correspondence (continued)

|              |  |            |
|--------------|--|------------|
| b. 8, f. 109 | Johnson, Enid<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder109</a>             | 1923       |
| b. 8, f. 110 | Knowlton, N.H.<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder110</a>            | 1905       |
| b. 8, f. 110 | Lacey, E.L.<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder110</a>               | 1926-1929  |
| b. 8, f. 110 | Lyon<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder110</a>                      | 1910       |
| b. 8, f. 111 | Megladding<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder111</a>                | 1918       |
| b. 8, f. 111 | Miller, E.C.<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder111</a>              | 1923, 1940 |
| b. 8, f. 111 | Montgomery, Helen Barrett<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder111</a> | 1914       |
| b. 8, f. 111 | Mott, John R.<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder111</a>             | 1910       |
| b. 8, f. 112 | Northcott, Fannie<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder112</a>         | 1922       |
| b. 8, f. 112 | Page, A.H.<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder112</a>                | 1925       |
| b. 8, f. 112 | Perley, T.C.<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder112</a>              | 1909       |
| b. 8, f. 112 | Petty<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder112</a>                     | n.d.       |
| b. 8, f. 113 | Pitzipies<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder113</a>                 | n.d.       |
| b. 8, f. 113 | Ross<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder113</a>                      | 1927       |
| b. 8, f. 113 | Satterlee, M.<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder113</a>             | n.d.       |
| b. 8, f. 113 | Simpson, M.<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder113</a>               | 1928       |
| b. 8, f. 113 | Smart, M<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder113</a>                  | 1927       |
| b. 8, f. 113 | Smith, E.<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder113</a>                 | 1931       |
| b. 8, f. 113 | Smith, Helen<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder113</a>              | n.d.       |
| b. 8, f. 113 | Smith, Hugh<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder113</a>               | 1967       |

## General Correspondence (continued)

|              |  |                 |
|--------------|--|-----------------|
| b. 8, f. 114 | Terrell, William G.<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder114</a>   | 1946            |
| b. 8, f. 114 | Towner, William K.<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder114</a>    | 1914-1920       |
| b. 8, f. 114 | Traver, Edith<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder114</a>         | 1932            |
| b. 8, f. 115 | Van Kirk, Ruth<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder115</a>        | 1920-1941, n.d. |
| b. 8, f. 115 | Wallace, G.T.<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder115</a>         | 1926            |
| b. 8, f. 115 | Waters, M.<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder115</a>            | 1930            |
| b. 8, f. 116 | Wetherby, Harriette<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder116</a>   | 1940            |
| b. 8, f. 116 | Wickes, Fanny<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder116</a>         | 1927            |
| b. 8, f. 116 | Whitman, Elia<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder116</a>         | 1919            |
| b. 8, f. 116 | Worley, Prudence C.<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder116</a>   | 1930            |
| b. 8, f. 116 | YMCA in Russia<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder116</a>        | 1918            |
| b. 8, f. 117 | First names only: A-R<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder117</a> |                 |
| b. 8, f. 118 | Fragments: no names<br><a href="#">RG15 Box8 Folder118</a>   | 1945,n.d.       |

**Series II: Notes and writings, 1914-1966**

This series is divided into the following categories:

- A. By Ellison Story Hildreth
- B. By Lottie Lane Hildreth
- C. By ESH and LLH
- D. Miscellaneous writings about China

The notes and writings are arranged chronologically within these categories.

|                                    |  |                         |
|------------------------------------|--|-------------------------|
| By Ellison Story Hildreth          |  |                         |
| b. 9, f. 119                       | Thesis submitted to Rochester Theological Seminary: "The Present Apparent Conflict between Foreign and Nationalist Interests in China, with a Suggested Plan of Reconciliation"<br><a href="#">RG15_Box9_Folder119</a> | 1927                    |
| b. 9, f. 120                       | Miscellaneous<br><a href="#">RG15_Box9_Folder120</a>   | 1925,n.d.               |
| By Lottie Lane Hildreth            |  |                         |
| b. 9, f. 121-124                   | Re. China<br><a href="#">RG15_Box9_Folder121</a><br><a href="#">RG15_Box9_Folder122</a><br><a href="#">RG15_Box9_Folder123</a><br><a href="#">RG15_Box9_Folder124</a>  | 1914,1925-1940,<br>n.d. |
| b. 9, f. 125-127                   | Miscellaneous<br><a href="#">RG15_Box9_Folder125</a><br><a href="#">RG15_Box9_Folder126</a><br><a href="#">RG15_Box9_Folder127</a>   | 1922-1966, n.d.         |
| By ESH and LLH                     |  |                         |
| b. 9, f. 128                       | "Kakchieh Weakly News", Vol. I, Nos. 1 and 2<br><a href="#">RG15_Box9_Folder128</a>  | 1914                    |
| b. 9, f. 128                       | Skit   | n.d.                    |
| Miscellaneous Writings About China |  |                         |
| b. 9, f. 129                       | Including abstract of letter re: Baptist Central China Mission (1914) and "The Anti-Christian Movement in Swatow" (1926)<br><a href="#">RG15_Box9_Folder129</a>  | 1914-1926               |
| b. 9, f. 130                       | Including "South China Diary" by Rev. A. S. Adams<br><a href="#">RG15_Box9_Folder130</a>   | 1928-1933               |
| b. 9, f. 131                       | Including "Early Mission History of the Swatow Region Brought Down to the Present for the American Baptist Mission" by Emanuel H. Giedt (1946)<br><a href="#">RG15_Box9_Folder131</a>                                  | 1946-1953, n.d.         |

**Series III: Personal items and memorabilia, 1886-1977**

This series is divided into the following categories:

- A. Biographical documentation
- B. Printed Material
- C. Photographs
  - 1. Family
  - 2. Individual and group portraits
  - 3. Scenes
  - 4. Photograph album
- D. Postcards
- E. Artifacts

| Biographical documentation           |   |                 |
|--------------------------------------|---|-----------------|
| b. 10, f. 132                        | ESH: autobiographical sketch of early years<br><a href="#">RG15_Box10_Folder132</a>                                       | n.d.            |
| b. 10, f. 133                        | ESH and LLH: notebook<br><a href="#">RG15_Box10_Folder133</a>   | 1905-1927       |
| b. 10, f. 134                        | LLH: diary fragments and memorabilia<br><a href="#">RG15_Box10_Folder134</a>  | 1901-1928,n.d.  |
| b. 10, f. 135                        | ESH and LLH: passports, certificate of registration<br><a href="#">RG15_Box10_Folder135</a>                               | 1917-1927       |
| b. 10, f. 136                        | ESH and LLH: newspaper clippings and memorabilia, including re. extended families<br><a href="#">RG15_Box10_Folder136</a> | 1886-1977,n.d.  |
| b. 10, f. 137                        | ESH: Related to YMCA work in Siberia<br><a href="#">RG15_Box10_Folder137</a>  | 1918-1919       |
| b. 10, f. 138                        | ESH and LLH: personal financial records<br><a href="#">RG15_Box10_Folder138</a>   | 1898-1908       |
| b. 10, f. 139                        | ESH and LLH: personal financial records<br><a href="#">RG15_Box10_Folder139</a>   | 1923-1941       |
| Printed material                     |   |                 |
| b. 11, f. 140                        | Chinese calling cards, wedding invitation, etc.   | n.d.            |
| b. 11, f. 141                        | Chinese New Testaments, hymnal  | 1908,1931, n.d. |
| b. 11, f. 142                        | Unidentified Chinese language material  | n.d.            |
| Photographs                          |   |                 |
| Family: (see also photo album below) |   |                 |
| b. 11, f. 143                        | ESH and LLH   | 1901-1942,n.d.  |
| b. 11, f. 144                        | Children and grandchildren  | 1921-1960,n.d.  |
| b. 11, f. 145                        | Group photos  | 1921-1925,n.d.  |

## Photographs (continued)

## Individual and group portraits:

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| b. 11, f. 146 | Primarily China missionaries and their children              | 1913-1942, n.d. |
| b. 11, f. 147 | Primarily Chinese  | 1914-1940, n.d. |
| b. 11, f. 148 | Ceremony dedicating monument honoring ESH, with explanations | c. 1918         |
| b. 11, f. 149 | In Siberia   | c. 1918-1919    |

## Scenes and people:

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| b. 12, f. 150 | China<br><a href="#">View from Golden Hill, Chao'an</a><br><a href="#">Bridge and river, Chao'an</a><br><a href="#">Mission compound aerial view, Shantou</a><br><a href="#">Monastery building, Guangdong</a><br><a href="#">Street lined with shops, Chao'an</a><br><a href="#">Railroad Station, Shantou</a><br><a href="#">Woman carrying dry ferns</a><br><a href="#">River with boats, Jieyang</a><br><a href="#">Bridge and flooded river, Chao'an</a><br><a href="#">70th Anniversary Memorial Church, Shantou</a><br><a href="#">Pontoon bridge, Chao'an</a>   | 1914-1935, n.d. |
| b. 12, f. 151 | China<br><a href="#">Typhoon destruction of homes and boats</a><br><a href="#">Two women and a man on a journey, Guangdong</a><br><a href="#">People next to a waterfall, Guangdong</a><br><a href="#">People at a waterfall, Guangdong</a><br><a href="#">Missionary and girls on rocks, Shantou</a><br><a href="#">Missionary preaching at a temple, Guangdong</a><br><a href="#">People standing on a water pump, Guangdong</a><br><a href="#">Old fort and farms, Guangdong</a><br><a href="#">Countryside panoramic view, Guangdong</a><br><a href="#">Countryside panoramic view, Guangdong</a><br><a href="#">House, Guangdong</a><br><a href="#">Street damaged by earthquake, Shantou</a><br><a href="#">Academic dormitory, Shantou</a><br><a href="#">View from a mountain near Fenchow</a><br><a href="#">Island view, Guangdong</a><br><a href="#">Thaiyong valley, Guangdong</a><br><a href="#">Train between Shantou and Chao'an, Shantou</a><br><a href="#">Waterfalls, Thaiyong, Guangdong</a><br><a href="#">Missionary house, Chao'an</a><br><a href="#">Missionary house, Thaiyong</a><br><a href="#">Boy with an ox</a><br><a href="#">Earthquake destruction, Guangdong</a><br><a href="#">River, bridge, and buildings in the town, Chao'an</a><br><a href="#">People boating down a river or canal, Jieyang</a><br><a href="#">Man diving off a cliff, Guangdong</a><br><a href="#">East Cliff, Beidaihe [Peitaiho]</a><br><a href="#">Golden Hill, cliff near river, Guangdong</a><br><a href="#">Boats on river, Guangdong</a><br><a href="#">Men pushing boats on river, Guangdong</a><br><a href="#">Boy working a saw mill, Guangdong</a><br><a href="#">Man working in a grain field, Guangdong</a><br><a href="#">Houseboat on the Yangtze River</a><br><a href="#">Bridge over the Grand Canal with boats, Hangzhou</a> | 1914-1929, n.d. |

## Photographs &gt; Scenes and people: (continued)

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| b. 12, f. 152 | Japan, U.S. | 1913-1964, n.d. |
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| b. 12, f. 153 | Photograph album | 1913-1922, n.d. |
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Postcards

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| b. 13 | China, U.S. |
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| b. 14 | Europe |
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Artifacts

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| b. 15 | Including models of bound feet, straw slippers, small paintings |
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|  | Oversize scrolls; Rubbing of granite memorial to ESH and others; Bamboo |
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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**

Clergy  
Educators  
Missionaries  
Missions  
Missions -- China

### **Names**

Hildreth, Ellison, 1884-1962  
Hildreth, Lottie Lane, 1882-1977

### **Corporate Bodies**

American Baptist Foreign Mission Society  
Young Men's Christian Associations of China