

Preliminary Guide to the Luther Newton Hayes Papers

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Collection Overview

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CALL NUMBER: MS 1285

CREATOR: Hayes, L. Newton, 1883-

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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b. box
f. folder

Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Gift of Mrs. L. Newton Hayes in 1979-1983.

Conditions Governing Access

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Preferred Citation

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Biographical / Historical

The son of American missionaries Mercie and John Newton Hayes, 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. In 1906 after finishing his M.A. coursework, he returned to China to work as an English tutor to the grandsons of Chinese Prime Minister Li Hung Chang. In 1908, he began his work with the YMCA in China, serving as principal of the Putung School in Tientsen. He was later transferred to Nanking and established a YMCA there, then moved to Szechuan to serve as secretary of the Chengdu City Association. In 1919 he left China to work for the YMCA in France, then returned in 1921 when he was appointed a Secretary of the national Committee of the YMCA of China. He wrote two books, *The Chinese Dragon* (1922) and *The Great Wall of China* (1929).

In 1923, he married Frances Gray, with whom he had one child, Francis Hayes. Frances Gray Hayes died in 1924. In 1927, Hayes married Rhea Pumphrey, and the family spent the next few years in China. After returning to the United States in 1932, Hayes worked at various universities as an administrator and at a museum in Plattsburgh, New York, as a curator. Hayes died March 26, 1978.

Scope and Contents

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Original accession

b. 1, f. 1	Lantern slides of the Great Wall of China	
b. 1, f. 2	"The Great Wall of China" [reprint of lecture by Hayes] English	1928
b. 1, f. 3	<i>The Great Wall of China</i> [book by Hayes]	1929
b. 2, f. 4	Chinese Bible, inscribed by Hayes	1893
b. 2, f. 5	<i>The Far Eastern Review</i> [special supplement, "Financial and Historical Review of the Chinese Revolution"]	1912 April
b. 2, f. 6	Miscellaneous Chinese documents	undated

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b. 3	Portrait of Li Hung-Chang, Grand Councillor to Empress Dowager Tsu Hsi	undated
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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, 1865-1925

Hayes, L. Newton, 1883-