**Language of Material:** English

**Contributing Institution:** Special Collections & Archives

**Title:** Bell Family Collection

**Creator:** Bell Family

**Identifier/Call Number:** OCH.BFC

**Extent:** 1.96 linear feet

**Date (inclusive):** circa 1930-1946

**Abstract:** Kitty Bell was born in Paris, but moved to Shanghai at eight years of age to live with her new adoptive parents. At age 15, she was sent to an internment camp in China by the Japanese, where she met her husband, Chris Bell, who was interned at the Chapei camp outside of Shanghai. They were married soon after their release, and immigrated to the United States where they had four children. The collection mainly consists of photographs of Shanghai, the Bell family, and Chris Bell's extended family during the 1930s and 1940s. Also included are postcards from China and California, print materials saved by the Bell family, and the board game "Shanghai Millionaire."

**Family History:**
Kitty Bell was born in Paris, France, but moved to Shanghai at eight years of age to live with her new adoptive parents. She attended Sacred Heart and the Holy Ghost Convent in Tsingtao among other schools. At age 15, she was sent to an internment camp in China by the Japanese, where she met her husband, Chris Bell, who was interned at the Chapei camp outside of Shanghai. The Bells were married shortly after their release, then immigrated to the United States, where they had four children. Most of the family now resides in the San Francisco Bay area.

**Scope and Contents**
The Bell Family Collection mainly consists of photographs of Shanghai, the Bell family, and Chris Bell's extended family during the 1930s and 1940s. Also included are postcards from China and California, a pamphlet on the Medal of Immaculate Conception, a transcript of a toast given by Francisco Noodtosan, and a Monopoly knockoff board game called "Shanghai Millionaire."

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Kitty Bell.

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