Atkinson Foundation: Albert Schweitzer Letters Collection

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Descriptive Summary
Title: Atkinson Foundation: Albert Schweitzer Letters Collection
Dates: 1956-1964
Collector: Atkinson Foundation (San Mateo, Calif.)
Collection Size: .1 linear feet (6 folders)
Repository: The Graduate Theological Union. Library. Berkeley, CA 94709

Abstract: The collection contains thank you letters from Albert Schweitzer to the Atkinson Foundation for monetary gifts to the general hospital and leper village in Lambarn, Gabon. There are five letters and two photographs with description, written between 1956-1964.

Physical location: Small Collections Box 17, ff 17-22, 5/G/1

Languages: Languages represented in the collection: EnglishFrench

Access
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Preferred Citation
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Acquisition Information
Gift of the Atkinson Foundation, San Mateo, California.

Processing Information
Albert Schweitzer was a theologian, author, musician, and medical missionary. In 1913, he founded a hospital in Lambarn, Gabon, in French Equatorial Africa to which he devoted his entire life. He was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1953.

Biography / Administrative History
Collection contains five letters and two photographs. Written between 1956-1964, these are thank you letters from Albert Schweitzer to the Atkinson Foundation for monetary gifts to the general hospital and leper village in Lambarn, Gabon. Four of the letters are addressed to Donald K. Grant at the Foundation. Each letter has a portion in English. One letter is written by Marion Mill Preminger, four by Ari Silver. Each letter then has a separate portion hand-written in French by Schweitzer. All letters have English translations. One photograph of the Ogoou River and Lambarn. One photograph of Schweitzer at the leper village.

Scope and Content of Collection
Five letters and two signed photographs from Albert Schweitzer with English translations. Letters are dated February 17, 1956; February 6, 1960; February 14, 1962; March 28, 1963; and January 8, 1964.

Indexing Terms
The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library’s online public access catalog.

Subjects
Schweitzer, Albert, 1875-1965--Correspondence.
Silver, Ari--Correspondence.
Preminger, Marion Mill--Correspondence.
Grant, Donald K.--Correspondence.
Atkinson Foundation (San Mateo, Calif.)
Missionaries, Medical--Gabon--Lambarene--Correspondence.
Missions to lepers--Gabon--Lambarene--Correspondence.
Hospitals--Gabon--Lambarene.
Lambarene (Moyen-Ogooue, Gabon)--Missions--Correspondence.

Genres and Forms of Material
Correspondence.

Index Terms Related to this Collection
Silver, Ari.
Preminger, Marion Mill.
Grant, Donald K., recipient.