**Descriptive Summary**

**Title:** James King Steele and travel-related ephemera collection  
**Inclusive Dates:** 1894-1964  
**Collection Number:** mssSteeleEph  
**Extent:** 5 boxes  
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**Abstract:** This collection consists of travel-related ephemera and material related to James King Steele.  

**Language of Material:** The records are in English.  

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**Acquisition Information**  
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**Biography**  
James King Steele was an author, editor, and publicist. He was the manager of the publication department at the Toyo Kisen Kaisha (Oriental Steamship Company). He was also the editor of "Japan," a monthly travel publication issued by TKK.  

**Scope and Content**  
This collection consists of material accumulated and produced by James King Steele during his time in China, Japan, and the Philippines. Some of the material created by Steele includes greeting cards and sheet music. There is also a letter from the Prince of Denmark where he thanks Steele for a book and a magazine.  

Other travel-related ephemera in this collection do not relate to James King Steele, but were accumulated over time. They include booklets, guidebooks, travel brochures, postcards, maps, and other promotional material.  

**Arrangement**  
This collection is arranged by country, but there is content related to specific steamship companies.  

**Personal Names**  
Steele, James King  

**Corporate Names**  
Toyo Kisen Kabushiki Kaisha  

**Subjects**  
Steamboat lines  
Travel  
Tourism  

**Geographic Areas**  
Asia -- Description and travel  
Japan -- Description and travel  
Philippines -- Description and travel
Genre
Brochures
Printed ephemera
Travel guidebooks
Travel literature

Box 1
Folder 1  **American Section Headquarters - China**  
**American Section Headquarters, (1934)**  
International Fellowship Foundation flyers

Folder 2  **Australia, (1901-1928)**  
Primarily printed matter issued on behalf of the Government of the Commonwealth of Australia

Folder 3  **British Malaya, (1920)**  
General Map British Malaya Scale, 12 Miles to an Inch

Folder 4  **China, (1900-1927)**  
China in Chaos: A Brief Outline of the Foreign Concessions, with Examples of China’s Disruption and Failure to Observe Her Obligations due to Civil War, Bolshevist Propaganda and Mob Law; national bank notes; postcards; Shanghai Incident Misrepresented: Shanghai Editors Draw Attention to Incorrect Reports in American Newspapers by The Press Union

Folder 5  **China, (1911-1942)**  
Admission tickets; The Anniversary Number. The 58th and 59th Reports (Thirty-Third Year) of the International Institute of China, Inc. or the Mission Among the Higher Classes in China by Rev. Gilbert Reid; A Visit to China by the Associated Chambers of Commerce of the Pacific Coast; Wanpaoshan Incident and the Anti-Chinese Riots in Korea edited by Whitewall Wang; What “Chinese Exclusion” Really means by Tso-Chien Shen

Folder 6  **China, [undated]**  
Fabric / silk pattern samples

Box 2  **[Cuba?] - New Zealand**  
Folder 1  **[Cuba?], [undated]**  
Ang Mas Mayo Nga Calidad, Marca Manoc...

Folder 2  **Dollar Steamship Lines & American Mail Line, [undated]**  
Guest lists and How I Toured the Orient for Five Hundred Dollars: Being the story of actual voyage by W.C. Bunner

Folder 3  **Ethiopia, (1954)**  
The Visit of His Imperial Majesty Haile Selassie I Emperor of Ethiopia

Folder 4  **India, (1894-1964)**  
Ancient Tales of Hindustan by A.C.A.; Who is Mrs. Besant? And Why Has She Come to India? The Christian Literature Society; Jawaharlal Nehru, 1889-1964; printed matter; Tourist Map of India Chapter 2
Folder 5  Indonesia, (1949)
Four agreements...attached to the Netherlands-Indonesian Union Statue; Indonesia History and Growth by the Netherlands Information Bureau; Two Years of Statehood: East Indonesia by D.H. Rodrigues

Folder 6  Japan, (1919-1963)
Booklets; clippings (information artifacts); invitations; location maps; magazines (periodicals); postcards; printed ephemera; Supplement to International Gleanings from Japan, No. 14; NYK Line: Shopping Around the World; The Present Situation in Shanghai by Kaname Wakisugi

Folder 7  Korea, (1921)
The Japanese Expedition to Chientao: Why It was Sent and What It Did: Articles reprinted from the “Seoul Press” and a postcard

Folder 8  Liberia, [1940s]
Democratic Party of Liberia...For President James Francis Cooper for Vice President, Reginald Arthur Sherman fragment

Folder 9  Nevada, [undated]
Nevada Unlimited brochures

Folder 10  New England, [undated]
Printed matter published by the New England Council
Included: Your Vacation in New England; Angler’s Guide to New England Fishing; photographs; excerpts from All-New England Vacation Committee

Folder 11  New Zealand, (1927)
New Zealand: Paradise of the Pacific issued by the N.Z. Government, Publicity Office

Box 3  Pacific Mail Steamship Company - Philippines
Folder 1  Pacific Mail Steamship Company, [undated]
Sunshine Belt to the Orient

Folder 2  Philippines, (1903-1956)
Baguio and a Guide to the Mountain Province by Samuel E. Kane; A Guide for the Tourist: The Church and Convent of Saint Augustine; Philippines vol. 4, no. 3; Prospectus for the Year 1903-1904: The Rizal Institute; Official Program of the Inauguration of the Commonwealth of the Philippines and the Induction, 1935; map; postcard; clippings (information artifacts)

Folder 3  Philippines, (1911-1929)
Life in the Philippines Fifty Years Ago; Comments on the Political and Economic Status of the Philippines issued by the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce; Twenty-Seventh Annual Report of the Director of Education for the Calendar Year 1929; The Torch published by the Senior Class of the Philippine Normal School; Economic Conditions in the Philippines by Hugo H. Miller

Folder 4  Philippines, (1928-1933)
Primarily printed matter issued by the Philippine Tourist Association
Included: Shopping in Old Manila guide and S.S. President Hoover between Manila, P.I. and San Francisco program
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Folder 5
Philippines, (1928-1935)
Sunrise and Sunset in Manila by Walter Robb; The Jewels of Mabuhay; Inauguration of the Commonwealth of the Philippines, November 2nd to 30th, 1935; Our Trip to Baguio and Return; Port of Manila of Trade of The Pacific, Yearbook 1929; James King Steele holiday card

Box 4
Folder 1
Philippines - Toyo Kisen Kabushiki Kaisha
Philippines, (1932-1933)
“Gateway” in Manila compliments of Manila Hotel

Folder 2
Philippines, (1933-1935)
Philippines Official Motor Road and Tourist Guide

Folder 3
Philippines, [undated]
Mabuhay: My Philippines Fox-Trot by James King Steele sheet music and Philippine Magazine fragment

Folder 4
San Francisco (Calif.), (1915)
Panama-Pacific International Exposition (1915 : San Francisco, Calif.) miscellaneous permit; Fairmont San Francisco booklet; Pacific Grove Hotel

Folder 5
South Africa, (1897-1963)
The Chamber of Mines of the South Africa Republic: Monthly Analysis of Gold Production in the Wiwatersrand District; City of Johannesburg Public Library: An Index to South African Colour-Plates in Books, 1851-1899 compiled by Freda Y. Goldman; The Growth of Johannesburg from 1886-1939; A List of Articles in Serial Publications compiled by T.R. Shaw; Peace or War in South Africa by Charles D. Pierce

Folder 6
Thailand, [before 1939]
Siam Invites the Traveler published by the Royal State Railways of Siam

Folder 7
Togo, [1962]
Republique Togolaise Second Anniversary of Independence

Folder 8
Toyo Kisen Kabushiki Kaisha [Toyo Kisen Kaisha], (1917)
From San Francisco to the Orient; circular #28; invitations; printed matter

Box 5
Folder 1
Miscellaneous
Miscellaneous, (1910-1921)
Public Law 404 - 79th Congress, Chapter 324 - 2D Session, S.7; map of Asia; The Journal of Race Development, vol. 1, no. 2

Folder 2
Miscellaneous -- Greeting cards, (1921-1932)
James King Steele’s greeting cards from Japan, Philippines, and United States

Folder 3
Miscellaneous, [undated]
Steele coat of arms; James King Steele comic strip; James King Steele’s The Railroad Blue Book and Hotel Directory; James King Steele’s memory tickler index card; two letters from San Francisco California addressed to James King Steele, 1924; James King Steele’s passports; “Letters-per-Line” system