Guide to the Fred A. Corr personal archive M2319

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Title: Fred A. Corr personal archive
source: Antipodean Books, Maps & Prints
Identifier/Call Number: M2319
Physical Description: 0.5 Linear Feet (1 half box)
Date (inclusive): 1918-1932
Date (bulk): bulk
Content Description
One binder

Biographical / Historical
Frederick A. Corr (1889-1932) was the Chief Pharmacist’s Mate on the USS Tutuilla and USS Isabel on the Yangtze Patrol in the 1920s. The Yangtze Patrol Force protected US interests and citizens on the river for nearly a century, from the 1850s to the 1940s, one of the longest continuous US military operations. Corr was married to Lila Mae Corr (née Murphy). His wife was killed by her father in June 1928, and Corr received the news in a letter from his mother-in-law, which he mentions in a letter to his brother Edgar.

Scope and Contents
Materials consist primarily of letters sent by Corr to his family in the United States, mostly to his brother Edgar D. Corr and Edgar's family. Corr's letters include descriptions of life along the river, including of American commerce (Standard Oil's and Socony's operations), and of the beauty of the gorges. They also detail family issues related to money and insurance. Most letters typewritten (a few handwritten) many on "USS Isabel Yangtze Patrol United States Asiatic Fleet" letterhead, some on paper with printed Chinese motifs; all signed "Fred." Other ships and locations from which letters were mailed include: Dollar Steamship Line; US Naval Hospital Canacao PI; USS Colorado; Receiving Barracks, Hampton Roads, VA; USS Sirius; USS Pittsburgh; USS Guam; and USS Tutuilla. Other items include: Fourth of July 1918 celebration program, USS Wilhelmina; Ship's Ball Programme December 5, 1918, Hotel Biltmore NY; Theatre Party and Banquet, USS Kentuckian, June 12, 1919, Globe Theatre, NY; 10 black and white photographs taken by Corr in China; Christmas Card 1927; and Christmas Dinner Menu, USS Isabel December 1928, with Rear Admiral Stirling, Commander Yangtze Patrol listed.

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At the the receiving Barracks, Hampton Roads, VA, August 1927; on board the U.S.S. Sirius August - September 1927; on the receiving ship, San Francisco, CA, October 1927, to Hon and Putsy, some to Edgar

Aboard the U.S.S. Isabel, October - November 1927; on board S. S. President Cleveland, November 1927, to Hon and Putsy; includes two photographs

Aboard the U.S.S. Isabel, December 1927 - March 1928, to Hon, Putsy and All, to Edgar, to Anna

Undated or incomplete

On board the U.S.S. Guam, on board the U.S.S. Tutuilla, May 1928; very descriptive of China
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