Guide to the George Hempl Papers SC0023

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Title: George Hempl papers
creator: Hempl, George
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Physical Description: 6.75 Linear Feet14 boxes
Date (inclusive): 1883-1930
Abstract: Correspondence, biographical information, research notes, printed works, and photographs.
Immediate Source of Acquisition note
Administrative transfer, 1965 and 1975.
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Biographical/Historical Sketch
Professor of Germanic philology at Stanford (1896-1921); President of the American Dialect Society and President of the American Philology Association of the Pacific Coast.

Description of the Collection
Correspondence, biographical information, research notes, printed works, and photographs.

Subjects and Indexing Terms
Photoprints.
Philology.
Philologists -- Correspondence, reminiscences, etc.
Hempl, George
Hempl, George
Stanford University. Department of German Studies. Faculty

Papers 1881-1930

Correspondence 1908-1921
Incoming 1909

box 1, folder 1

Physical Description: 20 items
Scope and Contents note
### Outgoing 1908-1909

**Physical Description:** 12 items  
**Scope and Contents note**  
From Hempl about his work, to Professor Ritter, Carl D. Buck, Jespersen, Lloyds, [Calvin] Thomas, Professor Sievers, Woodward and address to the members of the American Philological Association.

### Anderson 1921

**Physical Description:** 9 items  
**Scope and Contents note**  
To Frederick Anderson about Hempl's work and possession of his books from: Robert Kellog and Walter R. Gilbert, 1921, and carbon copy of letter from Anderson to J. Merriam.

### Manuscripts, notes and correspondence

**Arrangement note**  
Arranged with subject

### Dialects Undated

**Scope and Contents note**  
Horses, barns, American kitchen, letters from England and notes, calls to animals, baby words

### the English language Undated

**Scope and Contents note**  
Auxiliary verbs, grammar, journal, Bible and church words, Genesis, African-American English, books, America

### Greek Undated

**Scope and Contents note**  
Letters, accents, poems, old Doric, Runic letters

### Latin Undated

**Scope and Contents note**  
Forum inscription, phonetic text, letters

### Old English and Anglo-Saxon Undated

**Scope and Contents note**  
Chaucer, Beowulf, Grendel. Battle Scenes, word book

### Ancient languages Undated

**Scope and Contents note**  
Phrygian, Lydian, Lycian, Siculiar, Messapian

### Other languages Undated

**Scope and Contents note**  
German, Celtiberrian, Tocharian

### Phonology and pronunciation Undated

**Scope and Contents note**  
Misspeaking, nasal oration
box 2, folder 12  Study of names Undated
Scope and Contents note
Cambridge, proper, geographical, Christian, mutilated

box 2, folder 13  Words and parts of words Undated
Scope and Contents note
Cope, coff, cove, del, dol, ed, er, ative, epenthetic consonant

box 2, folder 14  Letter study Undated
Scope and Contents note
A, B, Ba, Bl, C, D

box 2, folder 15  Letter study Undated
Scope and Contents note
A, B, Ba, Bl, C, D

box 3, folder 16  Miscellaneous Undated
Scope and Contents note
Etymology, analogy and unrelated miscellaneous

box 3, folder 17  Miscellaneous notes for classes and writings Undated
box 3, folder 18  Miscellaneous notes for classes and writings Undated
box 3, folder 19  Bibliography and Reviews Undated
Printed works 1883-1930
box 4, folder 20  Printed works 1883-1891
box 4, folder 21  Printed works 1891-1893
box 4, folder 22  Printed works 1893
box 4, folder 23  Printed works 1894-1895
box 5, folder 24  Printed works 1896-1898
box 5, folder 25  Printed works 1899-1901
box 5, folder 26  Printed works 1901
box 6, folder 27  Printed works 1902-1903
box 6, folder 28  Printed works 1903-1909
box 6, folder 29  Printed works 1911-1930
box 6, folder 30  German Orthography and Phonology 1898
box 6, folder 31  The Easiest German Reading for Learners Young and Old 1898
Miscellaneous biographical information
box 6, folder 33  Journal written in 1881, book of poems 1881 and undated
box 7, folder 34  Two notebooks in shorthand, Secretary's records of "Recruted debators" Undated
box 7, folder 35  Diaries written by George Hempl's aunt 1883-1892
Scope and Contents note
Includes much about George Hempl

box 7, folder 36  Diaries written by George Hempl's aunt 1883-1892
Scope and Contents note
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box 7, folder 37  Miscellaneous biographical notes on his relatives, diary fragments, clippings, programs, menus, children's items Undated
Scope and Contents note
Includes a yearbook and commencement program from Palo Alto High School
Additional Material 1855-1921

Scope and Contents note
This addition to the Hempl papers consists mainly of correspondence (1878-1914), between the members of the immediate Hempl family (George, his wife Belle, daughters Hilda and Elsa, and an aunt, Camilla, who lived with them). There are also letters from other relatives and friends. Many of the letters are written in German script, and a number are written in shorthand. They describe illnesses, accidents and treatments. There are deaths and a broken engagement, a recalcitrant daughter and a troublesome spinster aunt, and an extended stay in Dresden, Germany. The construction problems of the new family home at 8 Cabrillo were detailed to Belle, who at that time was undergoing major surgery and recuperation in Michigan. Correspondence from Hilda and Elsa reflect their experiences as Stanford students. The last two boxes (boxes 12 and 13) contain family photographs.

Immediate Source of Acquisition note
Transferred from Manuscripts division, added February 1975.

box 8, folder 38   Correspondence 1878-1891
box 8, folder 39   Correspondence 1897-1901
box 8, folder 40   Correspondence 1902-1904

Scope and Contents note
1903: George loses an eye in a freak golfing accident.

box 8, folder 41   Correspondence 1905-May 1906
box 8, folder 42   Correspondence, trip to Europe August-December 1906
box 8, folder 43   Correspondence, trip to Europe January-February 1907
box 9, folder 44   Correspondence, trip to Europe March-July 1907
box 9, folder 45   Correspondence August 1907-December 1908
box 9, folder 46   Correspondence January-April 1909

Scope and Contents note
House plans discussed.

box 9, folder 47   Correspondence May-June 1909

Scope and Contents note
Belle undergoes major surgery. House construction discussed.

box 10, folder 48   Correspondence July-September 1909

Scope and Contents note
House construction discussed. The family moves in at 8 Cabrillo on July 31, 1909.

box 10, folder 49   Correspondence 1910-1911
box 10, folder 50   Correspondence 1912-1914
box 10, folder 51   Bills, notes, account books 1884-1921
box 10, folder 52   Miscellaneous, including mementoes, notes, private personal letters. Undated
box 11, folder 53   Cards used in George Hempl's philological research Undated
box 11, folder 54   Correspondence and portions of letters Undated
box 11, folder 55   Correspondence, business letters to George Hempl 1908-1923
box 11, folder 56   Correspondence, unsorted, to Aunt Camilla Haentsche from various persons 1899-1909
box 11, folder 57   Correspondence, unsorted, to Mary Antoinette Ripley, mother of Belle Hempl 1855-1866

box 11   Life History Album, George Hempl Undated

Physical Description: Volume

box 11   Life History Album, Belle Hempl Undated

Physical Description: Volume
box 11  
**Life History Album, Hilda Hempl Undated**  
Physical Description: Volume

box 11  
**Life History Album, Elsa Hempl Undated**  
Physical Description: Volume  
Scope and Contents note  
Family genealogy detailed, to the grandparents.

box 12  
box 13  
**Photographs Undated**

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**Additional material**

Processing Information  
Correspondence in this series was found in Hempl's biographical file. Removed from SC1136 in 2016 and added to SC0023.

Box 14  
**Correspondence 1905-1910**