Finding Aid for the Llewellyn Morgan Buell postcard collection, ca. 1900-1955

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Descriptive Summary

Title: Llewellyn Morgan Buell postcard collection

Date (inclusive): ca. 1900-1955

Collection number: 1202

Creator: Buell, Llewellyn M. (Llewellyn Morgan), collector.

Extent: 3 shoeboxes.

Abstract: Llewellyn Morgan Buell was a founding faculty member at UCLA in the English department. His collection consists of approximately 2,300 postcards of landmarks and art in the United States (especially New Hampshire), Europe, Mexico, and North Africa.

Language: Finding aid is written in English.

Repository: University of California, Los Angeles. Library Special Collections.

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Physical location: Stored off-site at SRLF. Advance notice is required for access to the collection. Please contact UCLA Library Special Collections for paging information.

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Provenance/Source of Acquisition

Gift of Mrs. L.M. Buell, 1977.

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Biography/History

Llewellyn Morgan Buell was born in Jamesville, New York in 1888. In 1910, he received his bachelor's degree from Cornell. He earned a master's degree at Harvard in 1911 and a PhD in 1917. During World War I he served as a lieutenant in the U.S. Army Air Service. Buell taught at Yale, University of Missouri, and was a founding faculty member of the English department at UCLA. Aside from a year long leave of absence from 1925-1926, Professor Buell taught at UCLA from 1922 until his retirement in 1955. Llewellyn Morgan Buell died in 1975, at the age of 86.

Scope and Content

The collection consists of approximately 2,300 black and white and color postcards of landmarks and art in the United States (primarily the east coast, including numerous views of New Hampshire), Mexico, Europe (primarily Italy) and North Africa. The majority of the postcards have not been used; some have messages written on the back. This collection dates from 1900 to 1955.

Indexing Terms

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

Genres and Forms of Material

Postcards

Box 1

New Hampshire. ca. 1900-1955.

Scope and Content Note

Black and white and color postcards of landmarks in New Hampshire.
Box 2  
**United States, Mexico, Europe, and North Africa. ca. 1900-1955.**

**Scope and Content Note**
First half of box contains postcards from the United States, primarily the East coast. The second half of the box contains postcards from Europe, the majority of which are from Italy. There are a few of postcards from Egypt and around 15 from Mexico. The last thirty postcards within this box are from Llewellyn Buell's friends to him; see blue handwritten note which denotes beginning of this section.

Box 3  
**United States and Europe. ca 1900-1955.**

**Scope and Content Note**
The majority of the postcards in this box depict European art. Handwritten notes within the box denote different themes such as: secular painting, mosaics, and the female form within painting and sculpture. There are some postcards of United States national parks and monuments.