Descriptive Summary

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Abstract: The collection consists of photographs taken by or given to Claude M. Adams while he worked in Japan for the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers (SCAP), Natural Resources Section, Fisheries Division from 1945-1951.
Creator: Adams, Claude M.
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Scope and Content of Collection
The collection consists of 291 photographs taken by or given to Claude M. Adams while he worked in Japan for SCAP, Natural Resources Section, Fisheries Division from 1945-1951. The photographs document the construction and refurbishment of whaling ships, whaling expeditions, and villagers engaged in diving, seaweed-gathering, canning, and other aspects of coastal life in post-World War II Japan. Adams visited the cities of Hiroshima and Nagasaki after the atomic bombings and the collection contains several photographs of the destruction. It also includes a small number of postcards and ephemera from his travels.

Acquisition Information
Acquired, 2011.

Biography
Claude M. Adams (1907-1974) was a cannery inspector in San Pedro and San Francisco, California before receiving an Army commission with the rank of Captain during World War II. After basic training, he was sent to Stanford University and the Monterey Language School, where he learned Japanese. He went to Japan in October 1945 to work for Lt Col Hubert G. Schenck in SCAP's Natural Resources Section, Fisheries Division, to support redevelopment of the post-war Japanese fishing and whaling industries. Capt Adams was relieved from active duty in February 1947 and continued on in his work in Japan as a civilian government employee until 1951.

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Digital Content
A selection of photographs from this collection have been digitized and can be viewed through links in the container list, or by clicking the link below.

Subjects and Indexing Terms
Fisheries--Japan--Photographs
Hiroshima-shi (Japan)--Photographs
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Whaling ships--Japan--Photographs

PHOTOGRAPHS

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Box 1, Folder 1  Seaweed gathering, drying, packing & transport ca. 1947

General note
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Coastline near a fishery collecting seaweed for agar production, ca. 1947
Carrying agar produced from seaweed processing, ca. 1947
Carrying agar produced from seaweed processing, ca. 1947
Drying seaweed before processing to produce agar, ca. 1947
Boats with divers gathering seaweed for agar production, ca. 1947
Agar produced from seaweed processing, ca. 1947
Seaweed processing for agar production, ca. 1947
Carrying seaweed to produce agar through processing, ca. 1947
Female diver in boat, with seaweed collected for agar production, ca. 1947
Processing seaweed to produce agar, ca. 1947
Seaweed gathered by female diver, for agar production, ca. 1947
Gathered seaweed lined up to sell for processing into agar, ca. 1947
Handling agar produced from seaweed processing, ca. 1947
Agar produced from seaweed processing, ca. 1947
Carrying agar produced from seaweed processing, ca. 1947
Handling agar produced from seaweed processing, ca. 1947
Man on fishing boat winching in diver-gathered seaweed destined for agar production, ca. 1947
Carrying agar produced from seaweed processing, ca. 1947
Handling agar produced from seaweed processing, ca. 1947
Seaweed gathered by female divers, brought to the dock to take to the seaweed processing/agar production site, ca. 1947
Seaweed processing for agar production, ca. 1947
Man on boat winching in seaweed gathered by female diver, with seaweed destined for agar production, ca. 1947

Box 1, Folder 2  Diving and cormorant fishing ca. 1947

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Fishing boat using cormorant diving birds to fish, ca. 1947
Fishing boat using cormorant diving birds to fish, ca. 1947
Fish caught using cormorant diving birds, ca. 1947
Fishing boat using cormorant diving birds to fish, ca. 1947
Fisherman using cormorant diving bird to fish, ca. 1947
Claude M. Adams and group, posing with a cormorant diving bird used to fish, ca. 1947
Fisherman using a cormorant diving bird to fish, ca. 1947

Box 1, Folder 3  Kamogawa women dive for seaweed, abalone and oysters ca. 1947

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Kamogawa women diving from a boat for seaweed, abalone, & oysters, ca. 1947
Japanese female Amah divers going to the beach to collect seaweed, ca. 1947
Kamogawa women diving from a boat for seaweed, abalone, & oysters, ca. 1947
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Oyster growing rafts on Lake Kamo on Sado Island, ca. 1947

Kamogawa women dive for seaweed, abalone, & oysters, ca. 1947

Kamogawa women dive for seaweed, abalone, & oysters, ca. 1947

Kamogawa women diving for seaweed, abalone, & oysters, ca. 1947

Ceremony, speeches, and luncheon with Lt Col Hubert Schenck ca. 1947

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Seaweed divers, ca. 1947

Seaweed divers, ca. 1947

Helmet diving for seaweed, ca. 1947

Seaweed divers, ca. 1947

Seaweed divers, ca. 1947

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Seaweed divers, ca. 1947

Seaweed diver wearing face mask with pressure equalization air chambers, for mask squeeze, ca. 1947

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Men deep diving for seaweed ca. 1947

General note

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Women poking through a dredge or net haul, ca. 1947

Boat construction in a harbor, ca. 1947

Fishing boat, ca. 1947

Docks and fishing boat, ca. 1947

Fish processing, ca. 1947

Women posing, ca. 1947

Claude M. Adams (right) on a visit to a Japanese fishing village and fish processing plant, ca. 1947

Claude M. Adams (middle) during his visit to a Japanese fishing village and fish processing plant, ca. 1947

Pulling in a fishing net, ca. 1947

Harbor scene, ca. 1947

Claude M. Adams (R) during a visit to a Japanese fishing village and fish processing plant, ca. 1947

Nisshin Maru (whaling ship) ca. 1946

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Fishing village and processing plant ca. 1947

General note

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Launch, ca. 1946

Construction of the Nisshin Maru whaling ship, ca. 1946

Launch, ca. 1946

Preparations of the Nisshin Maru whaling ship at the shipbuilding yard, ca. 1946

Claude M. Adams (front, second from right) visit to shipbuilding company, ca. 1946

Launch, ca. 1946

Box 1, Folder 7

Antarctic expedition celebration, Shibaura Dock, Tokyo 1948 April 12

General note

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Speech at a celebration of the success of Antarctic whaling expedition, 1948 April 12
Celebration, 1948 April 12
Celebration, 1948 April 12
A toast at the celebration, 1948 April 12
Claude M. Adams making a speech, 1948 April 12
Claude M. Adams making a speech, 1948 April 12
L to R: Waldon C. Winston, Hubert G. Schenck, Claude M. Adams, 1948 April 12

Hashidate Maru (whaling ship)
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Reconstruction inspection, Hitachi Innoshima Shipyard 1947 September 22
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Claude M. Adams, fifth from left, 1947 September 22
Claude M. Adams in front, middle, 1947 September 22
Reconstruction inspection, 1947 September 22
Reconstruction inspection, 1947 September 22
Reconstruction inspection, 1947 September 22
Reconstruction inspection, 1947 September 22

Box 1, Folder 10
Antarctica expedition ca. 1948
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Antarctic expedition celebration, Sumitomo Wharf, Osaka 1948 April 10
General note
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Ceremony, 1948 April 10
Waldon C. Winston, Herman Sundt, Claude M. Adams, 1948 April 10
Claude M. Adams making a speech, 1948 April 10
Claude M. Adams making a speech, 1948 April 10
Claude M. Adams at far right, standing with a group on the stern ramp used to haul whales onboard the ship for processing, 1948 April 10
Celebration, 1948 April 10
Posing next to tongs used to grab onto a whale’s tail to haul it aboard, 1948 April 10
Speeches, 1948 April 10

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Akebono Maru (fishing trawlers) dedication and launch ca. 1947
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Shore-based whaling 1947
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Tokyo 1945-1947
General note
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General Matthew Ridgeway ca. 1947
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Ceremony marking opening of trade; logging ca. 1947
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General note
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 | | **Includes postcards.** | |
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