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Everett Edward Thompson Lantern Slides

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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	Freer Gallery of Art and Arthur M. Sackler Gallery Archives
<b>Title:</b>	Everett Edward Thompson Lantern Slides
<b>Date:</b>	1899-1962
<b>Identifier:</b>	FSA.A1991.05
<b>Creator:</b>	Thompson, Everett Edward, 1876-1962
<b>Extent:</b>	151 Lantern slides (approximate number: 151 Items)
<b>Language:</b>	English .
<b>Summary:</b>	The papers, 1899-1962, of editor, lexicographer, author, and lecturer Everett Edward Thompson (1876-1962) primarily document his 1905 trip to Indonesia and subsequent lectures delivered from 1913-1919 and 1956. Portions of the papers are photocopies. Included are obituaries; a portrait photograph dated 1899; portions of a travel journal; announcements, notes, and 132 glass stereopticons assembled in preparation for lectures on Indonesia; a letter; printed material and clippings related to language and the Webster-Merriam dictionaries; and a handwritten copy of Irene Kuhn's 1961 news article on the early history of U.S. field teaching in the Philippines.
<b>Digital Content:</b>	<a href="#">Image(s): Everett Edward Thompson Lantern Slides</a> <a href="#">Image(s): Everett Edward Thompson Lantern Slides</a>

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## Administrative Information

### Acquisition Information

The collection was donated to the National Museum of Asian Art Archives by Everett Edward Thompson's son, Ronald Thompson, in 1991.

### Provenance

Gift of Ronald Thompson, 1991.

### Processing Information

This collection was processed by volunteer Takako Kusano.

### Preferred Citation

Everett Edward Thompson Papers, FSA.A.1991.05. National Museum of Asian Art Archives. Smithsonian Institution, Washington D.C. Gift of Ronald Thompson, 1991.

### Restrictions

Collection is open for research.

## Conditions Governing Use

No restrictions on use.

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## Biographical Information

Editor, lexicographer, author, and lecturer Everett Edward Thompson was born in Springfield, Massachusetts in 1876. He received an A.B. degree from Amherst College in 1899. From 1901-1905 Thompson fulfilled an appointment to a government teaching position in the Philippines. In 1905 he traveled from Manila to Singapore, and then to Burma, India, Ceylon, Java, the Straits Settlements, and Japan. From 1905 to 1909 he was part of the editorial staff of the G&C Merriam Company, publisher of the Webster-Merriam dictionaries, Springfield, Massachusetts. In 1907 he married Emily Lecretia Bettes and two years later in 1909 received an M.A. from Amherst College where he wrote a thesis on, "The Spanish Element in the English Language." From 1910-1920 Thomspson served as editor of foreign language textbooks, American Book Company, New York City. In 1920 he received honorary doctor of letters (Litt. D) from Syracuse University. That same year Thompson rejoined the Webster dictionary editorial staff of G&C Merriam Company, Springfield, Massachusetts where he remained until 1949. Everett Edward Thompson died 1962 March 24 in Springfield, Massachusetts.

<i>1876 June 20</i>	Born in Springfield, Massachusetts
<i>1899</i>	Received A.B. degree from Amherst College
<i>1901-1905</i>	Appointed government teaching position in the Philippines
<i>1905</i>	Traveled from Manila to Singapore, and then to Burma, India, Ceylon, Java, the Straits Settlements, and Japan
<i>1905-1909</i>	Joined editorial staff of the G&C Merriam Company, publisher of the Webster-Merriam dictionaries, Springfield, Massachusetts
<i>1907</i>	Married Emily Lecretia Bettes
<i>1909</i>	Received M.A. from Amherst College. Thesis on, "The Spanish Element in the English Language."
<i>1910-1920</i>	Editor of foreign language textbooks, American Book Company, New York City
<i>1913</i>	Birth of son Ronald
<i>1920</i>	Received honorary doctor of letters (Litt. D) from Syracuse University
<i>1920-1949</i>	Re-joined the Webster dictionary editorial staff of G&C Merriam Company, Springfield, Massachusetts
<i>1962 March 24</i>	Died in Springfield, Massachusetts

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## Scope and Contents

The papers, 1899-1962, of editor, lexicographer, author, and lecturer Everett Edward Thompson (1876-1962) primarily document his 1905 trip to Indonesia and subsequent lectures delivered from 1913-1919 and 1956. Portions of the papers are photocopies. Included are obituaries; a portrait photograph dated 1899; portions of a travel journal; announcements, notes, and 132 glass stereopticons assembled in preparation for lectures on Indonesia; a letter; printed material and clippings related to language and the Webster-Merriam dictionaries; and a handwritten copy of Irene Kuhn's 1961 news article on the early history of U.S. field teaching in the Philippines. Total: 151 items

## Arrangement

- **Series 1:** Biographical Data
  - **Series 2:** Portrait Photograph
  - **Series 3:** Travel Journal
  - **Series 4:** Lecture notes and announcements
  - **Series 5:** Letter
  - **Series 6:** Printed Matter
  - **Series 7:** Lantern Slides
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## Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

Subjects:

Royalty, Netherlands

Types of Materials:

Lecture notes  
Photographs

Names:

Kuhn, Irene

Places:

East Indies  
Indonesia  
Indonesia -- Description and Travel  
Java  
Malaysia

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## Container Listing

### Series 1: Biographical Data, 1943-1991

Box 1, Folder 1	Biographical data, 1991 Notes: "The Biographical Context of Everett E. Thompson's Collection of Java Travel Slides and Their Use for Lectures". Prepared by Elizabeth Thompson.
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Box 1, Folder 2	Photocopies of clippings and obituaries, 1943-1961
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## Series 2: Portrait photograph, 1899

Box 1, Folder 3

Portrait photograph, 1899

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## Series 3: Travel journal, 1905

Box 1, Folder 4

Photocopy of journal, 1905  
Notes:           Java entries

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## Series 4: Lecture announcements and notes, 1913-1956

Box 1, Folder 5

Lecture announcement and notes, 1913-1919, undated  
Announcement for, "Through the Island of Java" and handwritten lecture notes,  
"Java Slides Talk, 1913-1919".  
Summary: Announcement for, "Through the Island of Java" and handwritten  
lecture notes, "Java Slides Talk, 1913-1919".

Box 1, Folder 6

Lecture announcement and notes, 1956  
Notes: Announcement for, "Indonesia - Then and Now". Handwritten lecture  
notes on Java, 1956.

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## Series 5: Letter, 1930

Box 1, Folder 7

Letter, 1930

Notes:

To Percy R. Pyne of the American Museum of Natural History, New York, describing lantern slides dated Feb. 26, 1930.

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## Series 6: Printed Matter, 1933-1961, undated

Box 1, Folder 8	Printed matter about language, 1933-1958 Notes: Some photocopies
Box 1, Folder 9	Clippings about lectures on language, 1954 Notes: Photocopies
Box 1, Folder 10	Article, 1961 Notes: "Peace Corps Educated Filipinos" by Irene Corbally Kuhn. Handwritten copy.
Box 1, Folder 11	Steropticons box covers, undated

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## Series 7: Lantern Slides, undated

Scope and Contents: This series of lantern slides has been organized into 25 subject groupings.

### Subseries 7.1: Maps, undated

Box 2, Folder 1	"Map of Java", undated
Box 2, Folder 2	"Map of Java", undated
Box 2, Folder 3	Map of Java, undated
Box 2, Folder 4	Map of Java, undated
Box 2, Folder 5	Map of Java, undated
Box 2, Folder 6	"An Idea of the Areas in the East Indies", undated
Box 2, Folder 7	"An Idea of the Areas in the East Indies", undated
Box 2, Folder 8	"Map of Malay Archupelago (sic)"

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### Subseries 7.2: Royal Families, undated

Box 2, Folder 9	"King's Palace, Batavia", undated
Box 2, Folder 10	"Queen of Holland", undated
Box 2, Folder 11	"Family of Queen of Holland", undated
Box 2, Folder 12	"Princess Julianes", undated
Box 2, Folder 13	"Dutch Royal Family on way to church in the Hague", undated

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### Subseries 7.3: Children, undated

Box 2, Folder 14	"Javanese boys on auto, Surabaja", undated
Box 2, Folder 15	Europeans with children and servants in residential area, undated

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### Subseries 7.4: Women, undated

Box 2, Folder 16	"Javanese women", undated
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Box 2, Folder 17	Group of Javanese women, undated
Box 2, Folder 18	Javanese woman with small children, undated
Box 2, Folder 19	Elaborately dressed women, undated
Box 2, Folder 20	"Trio of Sudanese Beauties", undated
Box 2, Folder 21	Dancer, undated

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#### Subseries 7.5: Men, undated

Box 2, Folder 22	"Men gambling", undated
Box 2, Folder 23	Colorful group of local people, possible festival
Box 2, Folder 24	"Javanese actor", undated
Box 2, Folder 25	"Sultan's Soldiers, Djokjaharta", undated
Box 2, Folder 26	"Group of Chinese", undated

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#### Subseries 7.6: Orchestras, undated

Box 2, Folder 27	"A Javanese Orchestra", undated
Box 2, Folder 28	"Orchestra of Javanese theater", undated

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#### Subseries 7.7: Market scenes and daily living, undated

Box 2, Folder 29	"Market in Brambanan", undated
Box 2, Folder 30	"Market place, Batavia", undated
Box 2, Folder 31	"Chinese...[?].Batavia", undated
Box 2, Folder 32	"Fruit peddlers, Batavia", undated
Box 2, Folder 33	"Food vendors, Batavia", undated
Box 2, Folder 34	Display of fruit, undated
Box 2, Folder 35	"Cigar factory interior, Batavia", undated

Box 2, Folder 36	"Washing clothes, Batavia", undated
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### Subseries 7.8: Crafts

Box 2, Folder 37	"Women stamping cloth", undated
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Box 2, Folder 38	"Stamping cloth", undated
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Box 2, Folder 39	Stamping or waxing cloth, undated
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Box 2, Folder 40	"Lace making", undated
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Box 2, Folder 41	"Making patterns for cloth", undated
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Box 2, Folder 42	"Weaving mats, Batavia", undated
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### Subseries 7.9: Farmers and fields, undated

Box 2, Folder 43	"Marvellous Plains of Leles, Java.", undated
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Box 2, Folder 44	Harvesting straw grain, undated
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Box 2, Folder 45	Rice paddy irrigation, undated
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Box 2, Folder 46	"Transplanting rice", undated
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Box 2, Folder 47	"Rice terraces near Magelaug", undated
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### Subseries 7.10: Street scenes, undated

Box 2, Folder 48	"A native village near Batavia, Java", undated
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Box 2, Folder 49	"Town Hall, Batavia", undated
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Box 2, Folder 50	"Banyan tree [in] front of hotel [at] Indes, Batavia", undated
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Box 2, Folder 51	"Sprinkling [water on the street,] Batavia", undated
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Box 2, Folder 52	"Street tramway, Batavia"
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Box 2, Folder 53	"Concordia Club, Batavia", undated
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Box 2, Folder 54	"Street in Buitenzorg", undated
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Box 2, Folder 55 "Native stores in Buitenzorg, W. Central Java", undated

Box 2, Folder 56 "Cathedral Avenue, Buitenzorg", undated

Box 2, Folder 57 "Main Street, Djokjakarta", undated

Box 2, Folder 58 "Commercial Square, Singapore"[?], undated

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#### Subseries 7.11: Houses, undated

Box 2, Folder 59 "Traveler's Bungalo", undated

Box 2, Folder 60 Bungalow with residents, undated

Box 2, Folder 61 Official Residence [?], undated

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#### Subseries 7.11: Churches, undated

Box 2, Folder 62 "Catholic church at Bata[via]", undated

Box 2, Folder 63 "Malay church at[?] Kampong, Semarang", undated

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#### Subseries 7.12: Temples, undated

Box 2, Folder 64 "Small temple near...[?]", undated

Box 2, Folder 65 Javanese at temple entrance, undated

Box 2, Folder 66 "Ruins of temple, Prambanan", undated

Box 2, Folder 67 "Near view of temple, Prambanan", undated

Box 2, Folder 68 Temple stupas, undated

Box 2, Folder 69 "Kraton of Sultan, Djokjakarta"

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#### Subseries 7.13: Borobudur (Temple, Magelang), undated

Box 3, Folder 70 "Great Temple, Boro Boredor.", undated

Box 3, Folder 71 "Dome and Tower Boro Boredor.", undated

Box 3, Folder 72 "Boroebodor, Ruins of the World's greatest Buddhist Temple", undated

Box 3, Folder 73	"gen. view, BoroBoeder", undated
Box 3, Folder 74	"Gallery and Carvings, Boro-Budur", undated
Box 3, Folder 75	"Lattice domes. BoroBoedor", undated
Box 3, Folder 76	"Gateway and stair case, Boro-Budur", undated
Box 3, Folder 77	"Detail of carving, Boro-Budur", undated
Box 3, Folder 78	"Statue of Buddha, from temple near Boro-Budur.", undated
Box 3, Folder 79	"Rear[?] view from summit, Boro-Budur", undated

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#### Subseries 7.14: Sculpture, undated

Box 3, Folder 80	"Mural Sculpture", undated
Box 3, Folder 81	"Mural Sculpture", undated
Box 3, Folder 82	"Statue, Brambanan.", undated
Box 3, Folder 83	"The elephant headed god ganeca, Java.", undated
Box 3, Folder 84	Palace or temple sculpture, undated

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#### Subseries 7.15: Drawing, undated

Box 3, Folder 85	Kirtimukha "face of glory" motif
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#### Subseries 7.16: Railroads, undated

Box 3, Folder 86	"Railway station (Soerabaja)", undated
Box 3, Folder 87	Railroad track through country side, undated

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#### Subseries 7.17: Shipyards, undated

Box 3, Folder 88	"Raffles Quay, Singapore", undated
Box 3, Folder 89	"Jandjong Priok", undated

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**Subseries 7.18: Boats, undated**

Box 3, Folder 90	A boat, undated
Box 3, Folder 91	Boating on a lake, undated
Box 3, Folder 92	Local passenger boats, undated
Box 3, Folder 93	Sail boat with passengers, undated
Box 3, Folder 94	Harbor with boats and steamers, undated
Box 3, Folder 95	Harbor with local boats, undated
Box 3, Folder 96	"Steamer leaving Singapore", undated

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**Subseries 7.19: Rivers and canals, undated**

Box 3, Folder 97	"A Waterway of Java's Capital. Batavia.", undated
Box 3, Folder 98	Along a canal walkway, undated
Box 3, Folder 99	Stream flowing under a bridge, undated
Box 3, Folder 100	Bridge along water, undated
Box 3, Folder 101	Waterway through green fields and mountains, undated
Box 3, Folder 102	"Fishing near Garvet.", undated
Box 3, Folder 103	Water canal, undated
Box 3, Folder 104	European woman sitting by river, undated

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**Subseries 7.20: Animals, undated**

Box 3, Folder 105	Water buffalo in water of rice field, undated
Box 3, Folder 106	"Water Buffalo, Buitenzorg", undated
Box 3, Folder 107	Men with exotic animals, undated
Box 3, Folder 108	"Wild man at home, Orang-utan, Borneo", undated

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**Subseries 7.21: Plants, undated**

Box 3, Folder 109	Lotus seed pods, undated
Box 3, Folder 110	"Lotus Blossoms", undated
Box 3, Folder 111	"Lotus, Victoria Regia and Palace, Buitenzorg", undated
Box 3, Folder 112	"Lily Pond", undated
Box 3, Folder 113	"Among the palms", undated
Box 3, Folder 114	People on village path through palm trees, undated
Box 3, Folder 115	"Areca Palms", undated
Box 3, Folder 116	"Sudanese and Palms", undated
Box 3, Folder 117	"Sacred fig, Buitenzorg", undated
Box 3, Folder 118	"Tree ferns", undated
Box 3, Folder 119	"Banyan Tree", undated
Box 3, Folder 120	"Bamboo", undated
Box 3, Folder 121	"Crew Pine", undated

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**Subseries 7.22: Landscapes, undated**

Box 3, Folder 122	"Landscape from summit", undated
Box 3, Folder 123	"Palm Avenue", undated
Box 3, Folder 124	"Outlook from roof", undated
Box 3, Folder 125	"Water falls, Tosari", undated
Box 3, Folder 126	Sunset at a beach, undated
Box 3, Folder 127	"Sunset on the Equator", undated

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**Subseries 7.23: Mountains, undated**

Box 3, Folder 128	Mountain ridges, undated
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Box 3, Folder 129 Reflection of mountain area in water, undated

Box 3, Folder 130 "...Tosari", undated

Box 3, Folder 131 Dry plains, people and horses, below mountain ridge, undated

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#### Subseries 7.24: Volcanos, undated

Box 3, Folder 132 Volcano, undated

Box 3, Folder 133 Volcano, undated

Box 3, Folder 134 "Volcanic Eruption", undated

Box 3, Folder 135 "Sudan chair for the volcano, Tosari", undated

Box 3, Folder 136 "Another view of Mt. Salak volcano-West Java", undated

Box 3, Folder 137 Mountain with active volcano, undated

Box 3, Folder 138 Active volcano "...in the distance.", undated

Box 3, Folder 139 "Semeru in eruption...Semeroe, East Java", undated

Box 3, Folder 140 "Papandayan crater", undated

Box 3, Folder 141 Volcano crater, undated

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