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John Frances Little Panama
Canal Scrapbook, 1907-1914

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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives Center, National Museum of American History
Title:	John Frances Little Panama Canal Scrapbook
Identifier:	NMAH.AC.0708
Date:	1907-1914
Creator:	Little, M. Ruth Little, John Frances (Creator)
Extent:	0.3 Cubic feet (1 box)
Language:	English .

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

The scrapbook was donated to the Archives Center by M. Ruth Little, wife of John Frances Little, who inherited the scrapbook.

Related Materials

Materials in the Archives Center

Underwood & Underwood Stereograph Collection (AC0143)

George W. Sims Papers, 1896-1967 (AC0127)

Processing Information

Collection processed by Jennifer Synder, 2002.

Preferred Citation

John Frances Little Panama Canal Scrapbook, 1907-1914, Archives Center, National Museum of American History.

Restrictions

Collection is open for research.

Conditions Governing Use

Rights situation uncertain, but photographs are probably in the public domain due to copyright expiration.

Biographical / Historical

John Frances Little inherited this scrapbook from his uncle, who worked on the Canal and presumably took the pictures and compiled the scrapbook. (The 20 some smaller photographs in the back of the envelope are apparently his personal snapshots -- it is unclear whether he took the others.) His name is unknown.

Scope and Contents

82 photographs glued to pages in a scrapbook documenting the building of the Panama Canal. Subjects of the photographs include the workers, the worksite, equipment (steamshovels, trains, tools), the camp, building interiors and exteriors, and the local terrain. Locations include: Cucaracha; Culebra Cut; Cunette; Village of Tabernilla, C.Z.; Hodges Hill; Empire West and East Banks; Gold Hill; Contractor=s Hill; and Corozal.

Arrangement

Collection is arranged into one series.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

- Canal construction workers
- Canals -- Design and construction

Types of Materials:

- Photographs -- 1900-1950

Places:

- Panama Canal (Panama)

Container Listing

Box 1, Folder B

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