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Historical Collections

Guide to Collection

Lloyd, Lewis

Papers of Lewis Lloyd from Shungnak, Alaska, 1912-1936.

MS 4-11-9

1 Folder
6 letters with envelopes
2 letters from donor
2 Gelatin print Photographs
1 map

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ACQUISITION: The collection was donated by James Philip Asquith of Essex, England. The process began December 31, 1965 and was completed February 1, 1966.

ACCESS: The collection is unrestricted.

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PROCESSING: This collection has been described at the item level. Original order maintained. All items placed into a pH-neutral folder and archival box. Photographs and paper items placed into Mylar. Photocopies of letters were placed in the folder, as many of the items are fragile.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Lewis Lloyd left England sometime before 1914. He travelled first to Canada and then Alaska to prospect for gold. He corresponded with his nephew, William Asquith, father of the donor, James Philip Asquith, while in Alaska. Eventually, he married a woman named Ella, became an American citizen, and Post Master and notary public at Shungnak, Alaska. Lewis Lloyd died about 1951, in Seattle, at approximately age 80.

SCOPE AND CONTENTS NOTE

This collection primarily contains letters from Lewis Lloyd while living in Shungnak, Alaska, to his nephew William Asquith in Sunderland, England, 1912-1936. In these letters Lewis and Ella Lloyd describe their activities, village life, and their adopted Eskimo child, Jennie Anauok(?). Also included in this collection are two photographs, a map, and two letters from J.P. Asquith, the donor, dated 1965 and 1966. Jennie's history is described in J.P. Asquith's 1965 donation letter to Margaret Leibowitz. In addition, J. P. Asquith provides a diagram of family relationships which helps identify family members referenced in the correspondence. The map of Alaska shows the partial route of Mr. Lloyd on his travels in Alaska.

INVENTORY

1. Letter to Mrs. Leibowitz, State of Alaska Education Department, Dec. 31, 1965, written by J.P. Asquith in Essex, England about his family; included is a family diagram. 5 pp, holograph.
2. Letter of Nov. 19, 1915 to nephew [William Asquith] from Lewis Lloyd; includes his Notary Public seal of the Territory of Alaska. 2 pp, holograph.
3. Letter of June 16, 1913 to nephew [William A.] from Lewis Lloyd. 2 pp, holograph.
4. Letter of Sept. 18, 1916 to nephew [W.A.] from Lewis Lloyd [L.L.], plus blue envelope. 1 p, typewritten.
5. Letter of Dec. 15, 1916 to nephew [W.A.] from L.L., plus blue envelope. 3pp, holograph.
6. Letter with pencil note at top "In Dec. 1933 envelope." To Will and family, from Aunt Ella. Both sides of small sheet, originally folded in half, holograph.

7. Letter of Dec. 5, 1933 to Nephew William from uncle Lewis and Aunty Ella, Lloyd, plus envelope. 1 p, typewritten.
8. Letter of Jan. 31, 1936 to Our Dear Nephew William, unsigned, but envelope says Lewis Lloyd. [Note at bottom says (over), but nothing on verso.] 1 p, typewritten.
9. Letter with pencil note at top "In envelope with Jan. 31, 1936 letter." To Minnie and Little Phil from Aunt Ella. 1 p, holograph.
10. Letter of Feb. 13, 1966 to Mrs. Leibowitz from J.P. Asquith, plus blue envelope. Also enclosed are two photographs. One is a blurry view of an older woman and man posed formally, addressed to Sister Dora and signed Brother Lewis and Sister Ella (neg. # 01-436b). The other is labeled Lewis Lloyd and is a clearer head & shoulders portrait of the same man, younger (neg. #01-436a). 1 pp, holograph.
11. "Map of Alaska Showing Distribution of Mineral Deposits. Compiled under the direction of Alfred H. Brooks, Geologist in charge Division of Alaskan Mineral Resources. 1912. U.S.G.S. Bulletin 520, plate I. Two short pencil notes. 19" x 23 3/4"