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Guide to the Oscar Hiram Lipps Papers, 1912-1939

Ax 151

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OVERVIEW OF THE COLLECTION

Title: Oscar Hiram Lipps papers

Dates: 1912-1939 (inclusive)

Quantity: 1 linear feet
2 containers

Languages: Collection materials written in English.

Summary: Oscar H. Lipps served at the Carlisle Indian School, as superintendent of the Nez Perce Agency, at the Chemawa Indian School, and as a field representative of the U. S. Indian Service at the end of the 1800s. The collection includes general correspondence, 1934–1938, regarding Indian problems and Indian rights and Indian school press publications.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Oscar Hiram Lipps was born in Fayette, Indian and educated at American University, Harriman, Tennessee. He was a teacher, and entered the U.S. Indian School service in 1898. He served at the Carlisle Indian School, as superintendent of the Nez Perce Agency, at the Chemawa Indian School, and as a field representative of the U. S. Indian Service.

CONTENT DESCRIPTION

The collection includes general correspondence, 1934–1938, regarding Indian problems and Indian rights, with letters from Matthew K. Sniffen, secretary of the Indian Rights Association. Special reports include: "The Indian Tribes of Southeast Alaska," (1936); Metlakatla, Alaska Memory Book (Metlakatla, Alaska, 1937); The Case of the California Indians (Chemawa, Oregon, 1932); "Confidential Report on Conditions of California Indians" (1920); "Report on Economic and Social Conditions of the Indians of Idaho, Oregon and Washington" (1927); "The Eskimos of the Bering Sea" (1936). One folder contains a collection of Indian school press publications, particularly from Carlisle and Chemawa Indian schools.

ARRANGEMENT

Collection is organized into the following series: Correspondence and papers; Reports.

USE OF THE COLLECTION

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SUBJECTS

This collection is indexed under the following headings in the online catalog. Researchers desiring materials about related topics, persons, or places should search the catalog using these headings.

Lipps, Oscar H.--Archives
 Sniffen, Matthew K.--Correspondence
 Chemawa Vocational School
 U.S. Indian School (Chemawa, Salem, Or.)
 United States Indian School (Carlisle, Pa.)
 United States. Office of Indian Affairs
 United States. Office of Indian Affairs. Nez Perce Agency
 Indians of North America--Civil rights
 Indians of North America--Social conditions
 Student publications--Pennsylvania--Carlisle
 Student publications--Pennsylvania--Carlisle
 Indian agents
 School superintendents

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE COLLECTION

The following section contains a detailed listing of the materials in the collection.

CORRESPONDENCE AND PAPERS

Container(s)		Description	Dates
Box	Folder		
1	1	Correspondence and documents, re: work as field representative	1934-1938
	2	Contracts and correspondence, re: jobs	
	3	Correspondence, general	1934-1938
	4	Family history	
	5	Miscellaneous Papers	
	6	Miscellaneous publications	

REPORTS

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Box		
2	Lipps. The Indian tribes of southeast Alaska	1936
	Metlakatla, Alaska. Memory book	1937
	Lipps. Syllabus of course, Alaskan native village government and community life	1938
	Lipps. The case of the California Indians	1932
	Lipps. Voyaging in Eskimo land	1936
	Lipps. In the matter of the heirs of Edna Cox, deceased	1912
	Lipps. Description of vocational senior high school courses...Chemawa, Oregon	1930

	Lipps. Confidential report on conditions of California Indians	1920
	McDowell. Report on the landless Indians of California	1919
	Lipps. Report on the Indian Congress, Spokane, Washington	July 1926
	Lipps. Report on Indian organization, Flathead reservation	1937
	Lipps. Report on the economic and social conditions of the Indians of Idaho. Oregon and Washington	1927
	Lipps. Report of a survey of Industrial conditions, Blackfeet reservation, Montana	1922
	Lipps. The Eskimos on Bering sea. A report on their economic and social conditions	1936
Folder	Fort Bidwell (California). Indian Colony project	undated