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Missionary Research Library Archives: Section 9

Finding Aid
for

Samuel Guy Inman Papers, 1914-1929



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Summary Information

Creator: Mission Research Library
Title: Inman, Samuel Guy, 1877 - 1965
Inclusive dates: 1914 -1929
Abstract: Member of the Disciples of Christ, executive secretary of Committee on Cooperation in Latin America, and member of the Christian Women's Board of Missions. Survey of Panama; South American travel notes, 1914; essay on Hispanic American Congress of Evangelical Churches in Havana, Cuba, 1929.
Size: 1 box, 0.25 linear ft.
Storage: Onsite storage
Repository: The Burke Library
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Administrative Information

Provenance: Originally part of the independent Missionary Research Library, under the direction of Charles H. Fahs, curator of the Missionary Research Library from its foundation in 1914 until 1948, these records were moved with the MRL to the Brown Memorial Tower of Union Theological Seminary in 1929. In 1976 the records were accessioned to the Burke Library archives with the closure of the MRL.

Access: Archival papers are available to registered readers for consultation by appointment only. Please contact archives staff by phone, fax or email archives@uts.columbia.edu, as far in advance as possible.

Access Restrictions: The collection is unrestricted to readers.

Preferred Citation: Item description, MRL 9: Inman, Samuel Guy, 1877-1965, box #, folder #, The Burke Library Archives at Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York.

Note: The main collection of Inman's papers is deposited at the Library of Congress.

Biography

Dr. Samuel Guy Inman was an accomplished educator and authority on Latin American affairs. He was instrumental in the crafting of Franklin D. Roosevelt's Good Neighbor Policy, the policy of the U.S. in relation to Latin America and Europe from 1933-1945. Holding academic appointments both in the U.S. and abroad, he was named a League of Nations commissioner to the Latin American Republics in 1935 and in 1945 participated in the Conference for the Organization of the United Nations held in San Francisco.¹

Dr. Inman was an active member of the Disciples of Christ and organized conferences on Christian Work in Latin America and the Caribbean. Having attended Pan American Conferences on Christian missionary efforts since 1923, Inman later became executive secretary of the Committee on Cooperation in Latin America in 1925. This committee aimed to gather all the Protestant denominations in Latin America to focus on a variety of issues including education, evangelism, health ministry, religious education, and the Indians of South America.² He was also a founder of *La Hermosa*, a Disciples of Christ Church for Puerto Ricans in New York City.

Processing

When the Burke Library acquired the S.G. Inman papers, an attempt was made to maintain the original order. Folded materials were flattened. Staples, rubber bands, and metal clips were removed and replaced with plastic clips. All materials were placed in acid-free folders and boxes.

¹ "Samuel G. Inman, Educator, 77, Dies," Special to the New York Times [New York] 21 Feb. 1965.

² "To Confer on Religion," The New York Times [New York] 1 Mar. 1925.

Contents list

Box	Folder	Contents
1	1	A Survey of moral and religious conditions in the Canal Zone, Panama City, and Colon, made under the direction of S.G. Inman, Apr. 1917, 1v.
1	2	Census of Panama City, 1916
1	3	General Information on Panama [1917]
1	4	Travel notes of tour of South America (from Panama to Chile), 1914
1	5	"New Churches in Old Lands: Thoughts concerning the Evangelical Movement in Hispanic America" [1929?], re: Hispanic-American Congress of Evangelical Churches, Havana, Cuba, 1929