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Summary Information

Repository:	Rare Book and Manuscript Library
Creator:	Thacher, Thomas D (Thomas Day), 1881-1950
Title:	Thomas Day Thacher Papers
ID:	4078148
ID:	BAR Ms Coll/Thacher
Date [inclusive]:	1917-1950
Physical Description:	2000 items 7 boxes; 1 box of photographic negatives on glass
Language of the Material:	English .

Preferred Citation

Identification of specific item; Date (if known); Thomas Day Thacher Papers; Box and Folder; Bakhmeteff Archive, Rare Book and Manuscript Library, Columbia University Library.

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Biographical sketch

Lawyer, judge, and in 1930-33 Solicitor General of the United States.

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Summary

The papers include correspondence, subject files, photographs, and printed materials. The majority of the collection concerns the mission of the American Red Cross to Russia in 1917-1918; Thacher served as a secretary of the mission. There are letters and telegrams by W.B. Thompson and Raymond Robins, records of supplies, shipments, and distribution

reports and over 600 photographs from Russia, China, and Romania. There is substantial correspondence from 1918-1919 concerning Russia, including letters by Louis Brandeis, Felix Frankfurter, and Lillian Wald. A substantial part of the collection concerns Russian war relief in 1941-1942, an area in which Thacher was active. Printed materials include a pamphlet and an article on Russia prepared by Thacher after his return from that country in early 1918.

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Administrative Information

Publication Statement

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Revision Description

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Restrictions on Access

This collection has no restrictions.

Location of Originals Note

Bakhmeteff Archive. Rare Book and Manuscript Library. Columbia University.

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Papers: Source of acquisition--Mrs. Eleanor M. Thacher via Thomas Thacher. Method of acquisition--Gift; Date of acquisition--1975.

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Processing Information

Papers Accessioned 1975.

Processing Information

Papers Accessioned 1978.

Processing Information

Papers Accessioned 1979.

Processing Information

Papers Processed 05/--/79.

Processing Information

Papers Processed 03/--/81.

Restrictions on Access

This collection is located on-site.

Accruals

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Controlled Access Headings

- Americans -- Soviet Union

- World War, 1939-1945 -- Civilian relief
- Soviet Union -- Foreign relations -- United States -- 1917-
- Soviet Union -- History -- Revolution, 1917-1921
- Articles
- Letters (correspondence)
- Pamphlets
- negatives (photographs)
- Photographic prints
- Telegrams
- Ledgers (account books)
- Correspondence
- Glass plate negatives
- World War, 1914-1918 -- War work -- Red Cross
- Child welfare
- Maps (documents)
- World War, 1914-1918 -- Russia
- Brandeis, Louis Dembitz, 1856-1941
- Frankfurter, Felix, 1882-1965
- Robins, Raymond, 1873-1954
- Thompson, William Boyce, 1869-1930
- American Red Cross
- Breshko-Breshkovskaïa, Ekaterina Konstantinovna, 1844-1934
- Coffin, Henry Sloane, 1877-1954
- Coolidge, Archibald Cary, 1866-1928
- Hagedorn, Hermann, 1882-1964
- Francis, David R. (David Rowland), 1850-1927
- Hapgood, Norman, 1868-1937
- Haskell, Henry S.
- Huebsch, B. W (Benjamin W.), 1876-1964
- Hughes, Charles Evans, 1862-1948
- Kollontaï, A. (Aleksandra), 1872-1952
- Lamont, Thomas W (Thomas William), 1870-1948
- Lenin, Vladimir Il'ich, 1870-1924
- Lippmann, Walter, 1889-1974
- Lockhart, Robert Hamilton Bruce, 1887-1970
- MacLeish, Archibald, 1892-1982
- Peabody, George Foster, 1852-1938
- Reynolds, James Bronson, 1861-1924
- Robins, Margaret Dreier
- Robins, Raymond, 1873-1954
- Tolstoy, Alexandra, 1884-1979
- Wald, Lillian D., 1867-1940
- Wardwell, Allen, 1873-1953
- Willkie, Wendell L (Wendell Lewis), 1892-1944
- Carter, Edward C (Edward Clark), 1878-1954

Publications About Described Materials

Salzman, Neil V. Reform and Revolution: The Life and Times of Raymond Robins. Kent, Ohio: Kent State University Press, 1991.

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Collection Inventory

Series I: Cataloged Correspondence

Title/Description	Instances
Brandeis, Louis Dembitz	box 1
Breshko-Breshkovskaia, Ekaterina Konstantinovna	box 1
Coffin, Henry Sloane	box 1
Coolidge, Archibald Cary	box 1
Farnum, Henry W.	box 1
Francis, David R.	box 1
Frankfurter, Felix	box 1
Hagedorn, Hermann	box 1
Hapgood, Norman	box 1
Haskell, Henry S.	box 1
Huebsch, Ben W.	box 1
Hughes, Charles Evans	box 1
Kellogg, Paul U.	box 1
Kent, William	box 1
Kollontai, Aleksandra Mikhailovna	box 1
Lamont, Thomas W.	box 1
Lenin, Vladimir Il'ich	box 1
Lippmann, Walter	box 1
Lockhart, Robert Bruce	box 1
McCormick, Cyrus W.	box 1

MacDonald, William	box 1
MacLeish, Archibald	box 1
Peabody, George Foster	box 1
Reynolds, James Bronson	box 1
Robins, Margaret Dreier (Mrs. Raymond)	box 1
Robins, Raymond	box 1
Sisson, Edgar G.	box 1
Tolstaia, Aleksandra L'vovna	box 1
Wald, Lillian D.	box 1
Wardwell, Allen	box 1
Willkie, Wendell L.	box 1

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Series II: Arranged Materials

Red Cross Mission	box 2
Title/Description	Instances
Ambulance	box 2
Bulletins	box 2
Child welfare	box 2
General correspondence	box 2
Milk distribution <u>Physical Description</u> : 7 folders	box 2
Miscellaneous	box 3
Preparation, June-July 1917 <u>Physical Description</u> : 2 folders	box 3
Receipts for milk and food, January-May 1918 <u>Physical Description</u> : 2 folders	box 3
Reports	box 3
Requisitions for milk and food, January-April 1918	box 3
Supplies	box 4
Telegrams	box 4
Telegrams (photocopies from glass negatives)	box 4

Transportation and shipments <u>Physical Description</u> : 3 folders	box 4
Ledgers	box 5
Telegram log book, June-Nov. 1917	box 5
Inventory of medical supplies (2 ledgers)	box 5

Correspondence on Russia

Title/Description	Instances
Correspondence on Russia (incoming), 1918-1921 <u>Physical Description</u> : 4 folders	box 5
Correspondence on Russia (outgoing), 1918-1924 <u>Physical Description</u> : 3 folders	box 6
Correspondence on Russia, 1928-1939	box 6

Subject Files

Title/Description	Instances
Trade with Russia, 1920s-1930s	box 6
E. A. Ross, Russian Bolshevik Revolution; Russian Soviet Republic	box 6

Russian War Relief, 1941-1943

Title/Description	Instances
Correspondence, A-Z	box 6
Carter, Edward C.	box 6
Moore, Harriet	box 6
Related materials	box 6

Printed Materials

Title/Description	Instances
Pamphlet and article by T. D. Thacher on Russia	box 6

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Series III: Photographs

Title/Description	Instances
Photographs from Red Cross Mission; Map of Russia during World War I	box 7

Photographic Negatives on Glass Plates of Correspondence
and Documents from Red Cross Mission (stored with other
glass materials)

box 8

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