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Summary Information

Repository:	Rare Book and Manuscript Library
Creator:	Moore, William S
Title:	William S. Moore Photograph Collection
ID:	6984852
ID:	MS#1470
Date [inclusive]:	1922-1924
Physical Description:	0.25 linear feet 1 half manuscript box
Language of the Material:	English .
Abstract:	This small collection contains photographs taken by William Scoville Moore, during a trip to Greece on which he accompanied then U.S. Ambassador, Henry Morgenthau Sr. The subjects of the photographs are primarily refugees and the camps they had constructed. There are also a few documents including newspaper clippings and an award given to Moore by the Greek Cabinet.

Preferred Citation

Identification of specific item; Date (if known); William S. Moore Photograph Collection; Box and Folder; Rare Book and Manuscript Library, Columbia University Library.

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Biographical / Historical

In 1923, William Scoville Moore accompanied U.S. Ambassador Henry Morgenthau Sr. on a trip to Greece. The United Nations had recently loaned the country money in order to help resettle the many immigrants pouring in from various areas within the country. Once there, Moore and Englishman named Colonel Owen were responsible for overseeing the use and disbursement of the loan. Moore and Owen traveled extensively throughout the country in order to fully understand the depth of the situation. According to news sources, Moore was

documenting the trip visually as well as taking notes as a means of drawing attention to the catastrophe.

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Biographical / Historical

Moore's photographs offer insight into the humanitarian crisis that was developing in the region; however, they document not just the suffering of the refugees, but the efforts of the displaced peoples to maintain dignity in the face of aversion. For his work, administered through the Morgenthau Settlement Commission and the American Near East Relief, Moore was awarded the Order of the Savior by decree of the Greek Cabinet. This award was the first granted by the new Republican Government of Greece.

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Summary

This small collection consists primarily of photographs taken by Moore dating around 1922-1923. While the majority of the photographs are of the refugees, there are some of the visiting personages. A small amount of documents are held in the collection as well.

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Arrangement

This collection is arranged in two series.

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Administrative Information

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Immediate Source of Acquisition

2008-2009-M56: Source of acquisition--David Moore. Method of acquisition--Gift; Date of acquisition--2009/01/08.

Processing Information

Papers processed Lea Osborne 2006 January.

Accrual

No accruals expected

Accruals

Materials may have been added to the collection since this finding aid was prepared. Contact rbml@columbia.edu for more information.

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Related Materials

Related Material

The Department of Classics. The Program in Hellenic Studies at Columbia University has an online essay with scans of some of the [Photographs](#).

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Controlled Access Headings

- Greco-Turkish War, 1921-1922
- Population transfers -- Greeks -- History -- 20th century
- Population transfers -- Turks -- History -- 20th century
- Refugees -- Greece
- Turkey -- Emigration and immigration
- Greece -- Emigration and immigration
- Turkey -- History -- 1918-1960
- Greece -- History -- 1917-1944
- Photographic postcards
- Photographs
- Moore, William Scoville
- Morgenthau, Henry, 1856-1946
- Venizelos, Eleutherios, 1864-1936

Collection Inventory

Series I: Documents, 1923-1924

Scope and Contents

Series I holds several documents concerning William S. Moore's time in Greece. There are a couple of newspaper clippings covering his work in the region. The Order of the Savior is also in this series.

Title/Description	Instances	
Newspaper Clippings, 1923-1924 (French and English), 1923-1924	box 1	folder 1
Order of the Saviour, 1924 (Greek), 1924	box 1	folder 2

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Series II: Photographs, 1922-1923

Scope and Contents

The photographs are primarily of refugee families and their camps. There are also photographs of dignitaries, most notably Henry Morgenthau Sr. and the political leader of Greece, Elefthérios Venizélos. Also included are photographs of the landscape and purchased postcards portraying events that had occurred during the exodus. This series has been arranged alphabetically by topic.

Title/Description	Instances	
Buildings and Landscapes, 1922-1923	box 1	folder 3
Casualties, 1922-1923	box 1	folder 4
Dignitaries, 1922-1923	box 1	folder 5
Refugees, 1922-1923	box 1	folder 6

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