Guide to the
Wellington D. Jones
Papers 1909-1948

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Descriptive Summary

Identifier  ICU.SPCL.JONESW
Title  Jones, Wellington D. Papers
Date  1909-1948
Size  18 linear feet (16 boxes, 1 folder)
Repository  Hanna Holborn Gray Special Collections Research Center
            University of Chicago Library
            1100 East 57th Street
            Chicago, Illinois 60637 U.S.A.
Abstract  Wellington Downing Jones (1886-1957) Professor of Geography, 1913-1945. The bulk of the collection is photographs taken by Jones on research trips to China, India, Japan, and South America and at the University of Chicago. Also includes research materials, correspondence, notes, reports, student work, and marked maps of the Chicagoland area. Materials date from 1909 to 1948, with the bulk dating between 1909 and 1929.

Information on Use

Access  The collection is open for research.

Citation  When quoting material from this collection, the preferred citation is: Jones, Wellington D. Papers, [Box #, Folder #], Hanna Holborn Gray Special Collections Research Center, University of Chicago Library

Biographical Note  Wellington Downing Jones was born on April 4, 1886 in Kansas City, Missouri.

Jones studied at the University of Chicago, where he received his S.B. in 1908 and Ph.D. in Geography in 1914. He first began teaching in the geography department in 1913, and eventually received full professorship. In addition to his teaching duties, Jones was Dean of the Colleges of Science from 1918 to 1923 and Associate Dean of the College from 1924 to 1925. He became professor emeritus 1945.
Jones’ research interests included the regional geography of India, China, and Japan, the worldwide classification of agricultural regions, as well as economic geography. He authored several books, including An Introduction to Economic Geography (1925), Glacial Land Forms in the Sierra Nevada South of Lake Tahoe (1929), and Present Status and Future Possibilities of Agricultural Land Utilization in Patagonia (1932). His work was defined by a dedication to simple, objective data as well as careful, calculated reasoning. Jones was known within geography field as a great personality-- kind, assertive, even whimsical.

Wellington Downing Jones died on July 24, 1957, at the age of 71.

Scope Note
The collection has been divided into five series: Series I: Papers, Series II: Index to Photographs, Series III: Photographs, Series IV: Glass Plates, Series V: Film Negatives, and Series VI: Oversized Maps. Series I has been arranged chronologically by document type. In Series II-V, photograph related materials have been organized with a numbering system. When no identifying number has been given, materials have been organized by general content (rural scenes, Chicago - trains, people and portraits, etc.)

Related Resources
Department of Geography. Records
Department of Geography. 75th Anniversary Exhibit. Records
Platt, Robert S. Papers
Salisbury, Rollin D. Papers
University of Chicago Press. Records

Subject Headings
- Jones, Wellington Downing, 1886-1957
- Geography & environment research
- Geography -- China
- Geography, Economic
- Geography -- India
- Geography -- Japan
- Black-and-white photography--20th century
- Landscape photography -- China
- Landscape photography -- India
- Landscape photography -- Japan
INVENTORY

Series I: Papers, 1927-1948

This series contains correspondence, notes, and reports by Wellington D. Jones and his student, Beatrice Terry (1908-1989). These reports cover industrial, manufactural, and farming development in the Chicago area. The series also includes postcards that feature Jones' photographs of Japan. Materials date from 1927 to 1948.

Box 1
Folder 1
  Correspondence, 1927-1948
Box 1
Folder 2
  Reports, Papers, Notes, 1937
Box 1
Folder 3
  Beatrice Terry - Notebook, 1937
Box 1
Folder 4
  Postcards - Japan. I, undated
Box 1
Folder 5
  Postcards - Japan. II, undated

Series II: Index to the Photographs, 1909-1929

This series contains indexes to the photographs found elsewhere in the collection. These include exposure records, as well as records of place, date, and subject matter for the photographs with the corresponding identification number. Materials date from 1909-1929.

Box 1
Folder 6
  Index to Photographs #154-230, 1909-1910
Box 1
Folder 7
  Index to Photographs - unnumbered, 1913
Box 1
Folder 8
  Index to Photographs #301-996, 1915
Box 1
Folder 9
  Index to Photographs #1001-1231, 1914
Box 1
Folder 10
  Index to Photographs #1401-1570, 1915-1916
Box 1
Folder 11
   Index to Photographs #2526-3009, 1917-1919
Box 1
Folder 12
   Index to Photographs #3100-3308, 1919-1920
Box 1
Folder 13
   Index to Photographs #4001-4098, 1920
Box 1
Folder 14
   Index to Photographs #4099-4728, 1921
Box 1
Folder 15
   Index to Photographs #4729-5042, 1921
Box 1
Folder 16
   Index to Photographs #5076-5212, 1922
Box 1
Folder 17
   Index to Photographs #5232-5630, 1924
Box 1
Folder 18
   Index to Photographs #5631-5957, 1927-1929

Series III: Photographs, 1909-1929

Photographs in this series have been arranged in envelopes in groups of approximately 5 photos per envelope, with the exception of the photo albums from Jones’ trip to India. Subseries 1 contains photographs with numeral designation that correspond to the numbering system throughout the collection. Subseries 2 contains photographs not accounted for in this numbering system and is grouped by general subject matter. Locations include China, India, Japan, South America, Chicago, Hyde Park, and Gary, Indiana. Subject matter includes the University of Chicago, landscapes, rural and urban scenes, buildings, manual laborers, industrial sights, as well as family, friends, and co-workers of Jones. Materials date from 1909 to 1929.

Subseries 1: Numbered Photographs
   Box 2
      Photographs #13-2172
   Box 3
      Photographs #2174-4616
   Box 4
      Photographs #4617-4620

Subseries 2: Unnumbered Photographs
   Box 4
General Photographs from Expeditions and Trips, Trip to China

**Box 5**
Photographs from trip to Japan and South America, University of Chicago Campus, Hyde Park, Chicago, General Landscapes, Farm, Neighborhood, Rural, Industrial, and Forrest Scenes, People, Miscellaneous.

**Box 6**
India Photo Album. I, 1920-1921

**Box 7**
India Photo Album. II, 1920-1921

**Series IV: Glass Plates, 1909-1929**
This series contains glass plate negatives corresponding to photographs elsewhere in the collection. Original envelopes have been kept with the plates that contain handwritten descriptions of photographed content. Materials range from 1909 to 1929.

**Box 8**
Square Glass Plates #1-77

**Box 8**
Rectangular Plates #90-141

**Box 9**
Rectangular Plates #144-199

**Box 10**
Rectangular Plates #200-276

**Box 10**
Unnumbered Plates from Gary, Indiana

**Box 11**
Unnumbered Plates from Gary, Indiana

**Series V: Film Negatives, 1909-1929**
This series contains film negatives corresponding to the photographs elsewhere in the collection. The negatives have been organized numerically and housed in between pages in notebooks. Materials date from 1909 to 1929.

**Box 12**
Negatives for Photographs #901-1913

**Box 13**
Negatives for Photographs #1914-3100

**Box 14**
Negatives for Photographs #3101-5028

**Box 15**
Negatives for Photographs #5029-5986

**Series VI: Oversized, 1925-1936**
This series contains oversized maps with markings by Jones. These maps range from topological to road maps and refer to Chicagoland, primarily.
**Box 16**
Topographical Maps of Parts of Chicago with markings, 1925-1928

**Box 16**
World Continents Map with markings, 1927

**Box 16**
Highway and General Reference Road Map, “The Lakes Region,” 1936

**Box 16**
Geographical Survey Maps “Chicago Loop Quadrangle” and “Englewood Quadrangle,” 1929

**Box 16**
OVERSIZED FOLDER 1

**Box 16**
Map of Downtown Chicago with markings signed by Beatrice Terry, undated.