

Title: Henry Hersch Hart Papers

Dates: 1886-1974, undated

Location Code: Archives Storage Room

Collection Number: 26

Extent: 17.1 cubic feet (26 letter-sized Hollinger boxes, 1 half-sized Hollinger box, 3 legal-

sized Hollinger boxes, 6 small oversized boxes, 1 beige oversized box, 1 medium oversized box, 3 large oversized boxes, 1 large media box, 1 wooden glass slide

case, 10 small media boxes)

Scope and Contents

Abstract:

The collection includes drafts of Hart's books, lecture notes, newspaper clippings, personal and legal documents, photographs, postcards, stereographs, colored glass slides, Chinese artifacts, and various ephemera from Hart's life. Major periods covered by the papers include 1886-1918, 1920-1931, and 1932-1949. As Hart was a major collector of art, many of the photographs in the collection provide insight into life of various world locations between 1920 and 1960. Hart's lecture notes, drafts of published books, and letters show the state of cultural anthropology between 1930 and 1968.

Language: Collection mainly in English, some books and other materials in Chinese

System of Arrangement: The collection consists of 3 Series: Photographic Materials, which contains prints and negatives, postcards, stereographs, and colored glass slides, arranged by subject and alphabetically; Papers, which contains lectures, publications, publicity, and personal papers, arranged by subject and chronologically; Objects, which are arranged by subject and chronologically where applicable.

Subjects and China

Contributors: Hart, Henry Hersch, 1886-

Conditions

Collection open for research; copyright restrictions may apply.

Governing Access:

Immediate Source

of Acquisition:

Initially purchased from Barnet "Barney" Ruder in 1970.

Processor: Initially processed by Lucille Khlovdahl (date unknown); re-processed, re-housed,

and finding aid created by Andrew Fuller, 2013

Related Materials: Books had been previously separated from the collection and integrated into

Special Collections and Special Collections Overflow.

Historical or Henry Hart was born September 27, 1886 in San Francisco. He graduated from the



Biographical Note:

University of California in 1907 and received his Juris Doctor in 1909. Hart practiced law in San Francisco from 1909-1919. He married first wife, Alice Stern, in 1912 (died in 1936 due to cancer). His interest in East Asia began in 1919, and he made several visits to East Asia between 1921 and 1965. He married Helen Arch in 1941. He published various books between 1931 and 1968. Hart died in 1968.

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1886	Henry Hart's year of birth.
1911-1918	Appointed Assistant City Attorney for San Francisco.
1912	Marriage to First wife, Alice Stern.
1917	Deputy Sheriff in San Francisco.
1919	First Voyage to the Far East.
1925	Officer of the Order of Dragon on Annam.
1921-9132, 1937, 1939, 1960, 1962- 1965	Annual visits to locations such as China, Japan, and Hong Kong.
1933-1936	Visiting lecturer at UC Berkeley on Chinese Art and Culture, lecture series on China.
1933	Published first book, The Hundred Names: a Short Introduction to the Study of Chinese Poetry.
1941	Married second wife, Helen K. Arch.
1965	Last book published during lifetime: 700 Chinese Proverbs.
1968	Hart's year of death.

Bibliography

Mark, Lindy Li. "Dr Henry Hersch Hart's Life". Henry Hart Collection, Box 38, Folder 28. California State University, East Bay Library, University Archives.

Notes:

1974

Information regarding the initial purchase of the Henry Hart Collection may be found in Box 38.

The Charcoal Burner published posthumously.

Information regarding Henry Hart's life may be found in Box 38.



Series 1: Photographic Material, 1906-1940, undated

Volume: 10.5 cubic feet (16 letter-sized Hollinger boxes, 1 legal-sized Hollinger boxes, 4 small

oversized, 9 small media boxes, 1 wooden slide box, 1 beige oversized box, 1 medium

oversized box, 2 large oversized boxes)

Arrangement: By Type, Alphabetical

Summary: This series contains photographic prints, negatives, postcards, colored glass slides, and

stereograph slides

Box	Title	Date
1	Prints and Negatives Apartment, Art Store, Art Store Items, Africa, Alps, Arab	1920-1946, undated 1922-1937, undated
_	Emirates, Belgium, Cemetery Plot, Castles	1322 1337, undated
2	China, Egypt, England, France, Large Print Family Photos	1920-1940, undated
3	Small Print Family Photos, Germany, Greece, Hart Photos, Herbert Hoover, India	1946, undated
4	Islamic Architecture, Italy	undated
5	Italy, Japan, Korea, Mexico, Military Photos, Lecture Negatives, Netherlands, People & Places, Portugal, Roman Art/Architecture, Russia, Scandinavia, Spain	1943-1944, undated
6	Statues, Switzerland, Thailand, Turkey, United States	undated
31	Africa Safari Photo Album	undated
32	Mexico Photo Album	undated
51	Oversized Photos: Africa, Arab Emirates, China, England, France, Military Photograph	undated
52	Oversized Photos: Greece, India, Hawaii, Italy, Japan, Korea, Mexico, Places and People, Spain, Statues, Thailand, Chen Yuching Photo, Photo of Marco Polo's Will	undated
	Postcards	1909, 1945, undated
7	Africa, South America, Australia, Austria, China, England, Eastern Europe, Egypt, France	undated
8	France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, India, Indo-China, Indonesia	1909, undated
9	Ireland, Italy, Japan	undated
10	Japan, Jerusalem, Korea, Malta, Mexico, Philippines, Portugal, Singapore, Thailand, United Kingdom, United States	undated
11	United States, Vietnam	1945, undated
	Stereographs	1914-1918, undated
12	Various Scenes	undated
13	Various Scenes, World War I	1914-1918, undated



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14	World War I	1914-1918
15	World War I	1914-1918
16	World War I	1914-1918
33	Stereoscope	undated
	Colored Glass Slides	undated
17	Battleships, Canadian Life, Civil War, Coronation of George V	undated
18	Goldilocks, Heroes of the Victoria Cross, House That Jack	undated
	Built, Hymns	
19	Jack and the Beanstalk, Jack the Giant Killer, Life of Christ	undated
20	Pilgrim's Progress, Santa Claus, Songs	undated
21	Irish Scenes	undated
22	Irish Scenes, Hawaii	undated
23	Hawaii, Cinderella, Canada	undated
24	Scenes of London, Portraits, Misc Slides	undated
25	China, Street Scenes	undated
26	China, Beijing I	undated
27	China, Beijing II, Temple Scenes	undated
28	China, Ming Tombs, Great Wall, Farm Scenes	undated
29	China Misc., Japan, Thailand, Unknown Locations	undated
30	1906 San Francisco Earthquake	1906

Series 2: Papers, 1886-1977, undated

Volume: 4.8 cubic feet (7 letter-sized Hollinger boxes, 2 legal-sized Hollinger boxes, 1 small media

box, 1 large media box, 1 large oversized box)

Arrangement: By Type, Chronological

Summary: This series contains notes for Henry Hart's lectures, drafts for his published books,

newspaper publicity for his published works and lectures, and Hart's personal

paperwork.

Box	Title	Date
	Lectures	1933-1949, undated
34	China Lectures, Parts I-VI, Art and Culture of the Chinese	undated
35	China Lectures, Individual Topics	1933-1934, undated
36	Art and Literature Lectures	1933-1949
	Publicity	1932-1974
37	Publications and Lectures Publicity	1932-1974
53	Oversized Publicity: General Publicity, Lecture Publicity, The Hundred Names, Garden of Peonies, 700 Proverbs, Marco Polo: Venetian Adventurer	1932-1965
	Personal Papers	1886-1977, undated



38	Hart Personal Paperwork and Letters	1886-1974, undated
39	Postcards with Written Correspondence	1911-1961
53	Oversized: Scenes from Tibet, Asahi Shinbun Weekly	undated
	Magazine	
	Publications	1931-1974, undated
40	Drafts of Published Books, 1931-1943	1931-1943, undated
41	Drafts of Published Books, 1943-1956	1943-1956
42	Drafts of Published Books, 1956-1974	1956-1974
43	Draft of Sea Road to the Indies, Other Publications	1936, 1950, undated
44	The Charcoal Burner Book Page Proofs	1974

Series 3: Objects, 1900-1962, undated

Volume: 1.8 cubic feet (3 letter-sized Hollinger boxes, 2 small oversized boxes, 1 half-sized

Hollinger box)

Arrangement: By type

Summary: This series contains the awards and honors of Henry Hart, several Chinese artifacts, and

ephemera.

Box	Title	Date
45	Awards, Memberships and Honors, Ephemera	1900-1962, undated
46	6 Wood Printing Blocks	undated
47	Chinese Chess Set and Chess/Go Board	undated
48	Glazed Pottery End Tile	undated
49	Children's Scrapbook, Margaret "Peggy" Hart	undated
50	Portrait of Buddha	undated



Series 4: Books

Arrangement: By type, as listed in the original inventory

Summary: A collection of literature and poetry that was present in Hart's library, as well as several

Chinese dictionaries and art books. Most books have been separated from the collection and are located in Special Collections Reading Room and Special Collections Overflow.

Title	Call #
Tang nü Yu Xuanji shi ji [Anthology of poems by Yu Yuanji]	ff PL 2531 Y8 c.1
Kong zi jia yu.[Kongzi's words to the family]	ff B 128 Z9 K8 c.1 c.2
Gu ming qi tu lu [古 冥 器 圖 錄]	ff NK 4165 L6
Du Fu Gonbu shi ji [Anthology of poems by Du Fu, Gongbu]	f PL 2675 A1 1834
Er Ya [爾 雅]	f PL 2475 J89 c.1
Erh Ya Yin Tu [爾 雅 音 圖]	fff PL 2475 J8 c.1
Lidai Diwang Xiang [China Emperors – Portraits]	ff N 7615 L5 c1
Lidai Huashi Huizhuan [Collected biographies of historical artists]	(no call #)
Xixiang Ji [The western pavilion]	(no call #)
Du shi jing quan [Annotated poems of Du fu]	(no call #)
Jin Ping Mei	PL2698 C56
Rouputuan [The carnal cushion]	PL2698 L52 J8
Tieyun Canggui [Collected turtle plastrons of Tieyun]	PL2448 L5
Nü shi shuo [Narratives of women]	PL 2718 L5 N8
Bencao gangmu [Herbal encyclopedia]	RS180 C5 L45 1826
Yuanyi [Garden design]	(no call #)
Zi bu yu [The Master did not say]	PL 2735 U2 T98
Chen shi Zhongxi Huishi Rili	CE f 37 C49 1926
Dengcao Heshang zhuan [Saga of the lampwick monk]	PL 2698 K3 T4
Pinhua Baojian [Precious mirror of ranking flower]	PL 2700 C48 P5
Yuan yin Da Banruo boluomiduo jing	(no call #)
Can Song ban Li Ji ji shuo [Fragmentary Song edition of Li Ji commentaries]	(no call #)
Da Xue Yanyi bu juan 36 [Supplementary commentaries on the Great Learning volume 36 of 40]	(no call #)
Ming ban Qian Han Shu [Ming dynasty edition of the history of the Former Han dynasty]	(no call #)
Lidai junjian: [Emperors of millenia]	(no call #)



Nanhai xianzheng yigao [Autograph drafts of Nanhai] (no call #)

Du shi nianbiao fu yinde [讀史年表附引得] (no call #)
Zhu Xi tongjian gangmu [朱熹通鑒綱目] DS745 C5

Shan Hai Jing Jianshu [Records of mountains and seas]GR 335 S4 1810Shan Hai Jing Cun [Complete Records of mountains and seas]GR 335 S4 1859San Li Tu [Illustrations of the three rites]DS 723 N5 1679

Diji lu [Record of the good and the vicious] (no call #) Morrison's Chinese Dictionary (no call#) Chinese-English Dictionary (no call #) Dictionnaire Classique de la Langue Chinoise 3rd Edition (no call#) Saggi di Glottologia Generale Comparata (no call #) Eitel's Cantonese English Dictionary (no call #) Dictionnaire Des Formes Cursives des Caractères Chinois (no call #) Hua-Wen-Chu-Chieh: Chinese Language Lessons (no call #)

"An Heir in His Old Age": A Chinese Drama PL 2997. W8 BE5 1817

Shiba jia shi chao [十八家詩抄] PL2518 T8 Vol.12-16 only

Bai Xiangshan shiji: duanju jiaozheng 斷句校正 白香山詩集 PL2674 A6
Pingxuan goshi yuan 評宣古詩源 PL 2517 S452

Der Ölhändler und das Freudenmädchen (no call #)
Zhuyu cichao [Lyrics of Pearl and Jade] (no call #)

Song shi chao 宋詩鈔 (in 10 binders) PL 2533 W8 v.1-40

Qin ding quan Tang shi 欽定全唐詩 (in 8 binders) PL 2531 C45 v.1-32

Yu zhi Yuanming yuan tu yong PL 2517 C58
Songs of For Exercise: Selected Lyrics and Epigrams (no call #)
Yu zhi geng zhi tu N8217 F3 L6

Quan Han Sanguo Jin Nanbei chao shi PL2517 T5

 Li Taibai ji
 PL2671 A1 1907

 Li Taibai ji
 PL2671 A1 1717

 Li Taibai ji
 PL2671 A1 1717a

Baimei xin yong tu zhuan PL 2517 Y8
Wubaijia xiangyan shi PL 2518 H8



(no call #)

Shuowen Jiezi PL 1281 H8 1870

Ci yuan [Word source] f PL 1420 T9 1924-31

Huitu Xixiang ji PL 2693 H75 1925

Zhongguo shixuan PL 2518 C5

Gushi yuan [Sources of ancient poetry] PL 2517 S45

Xixiang Ji [The western pavilion] (no call #)

Xiuxiang Sanguozhi yanyi [Illustrated Romance of the Three PL 2690 S3

Kingdoms]

Di qi caizi piba ji [Romance of the Lute] PL 2698 K3 P5 1926

Huitu gujin qiguan [Legendary events from antiquity to (no call #)

the present, Illustrated]

A Manual of Chinese Quotations f PN6095.C4 C5 1908

Huiwen leiju [Classified anthology of palindromes PL 2517 S3

(illustrated)]

Liuyan Tang shi huapu [Illustrations of poems in (no call #)

hexameter of the Tang dynasty]

Gu shi xuan [Anthology of ancient poems] PL2517 W3

Gujinti shi xuan [Anthology of ancient and contemporary PL2517 W31

poetry

Lidai ming yuan ci xuan [Anthology of ci poetry] PL 2518 W8

Changzhen ge shi ji [Collected poems from Changzhen PL 2710 H8 C3

chamber]

Nüshi Danxianglou shi chao PL 2517 K6

(no call #) Quantu yizong jinjian [Golden handbook of completely

illustrated diagnostics]

Bencao gangmu [Herbal encyclopedia] RS180 C5 L45 1826

Chinese: Descriptive Sociology (no call #) (no call #) Kêng tschi t'u: Ackerbau und Seidengewinnung in China

1926, Imperial Order of the Dragon of Annam (no call #)

1929, Imperial Order of the Dragon of Annam (no call #)

Proverbi Cinesi

The Jews in China: Their Synagogue, Their Scriptures, (no call #)

Their History

Animaux Fantastiques de l'ancien Art Chinois: Quelques (no call #)

"Chimeres" Chinoises Les Unicornes

(no call #) Xiaojing dayi [Critical interpretation of the Book of filial piety]



Encyclopèdie de la Painture Chinoise (illustrated)
Kang Nanhai zhutian jiang [Essays on astronomy by
Kang Nanhai] 康南海諸天講

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