# THE CENTER FOR THE EVANGELICAL UNITED BRETHREN HERITAGE UNITED THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY DAYTON, OHIO

## **COLLECTION HC-5**

## **EUNICE MITCHELL BENNETT PAPERS**



Figure 1: HC-5 Box 1 File 3 South China Missionary Diary 1925

**Processed by Timothy Binkley** 

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#### INTRODUCTION

The Eunice Mitchell Bennett Papers are a small collection featuring photographs of United Brethren missionary work in China during the 1920s and 1930s. The correspondence included in HC-5 does not date from the period of Eunice's missionary work in China, but instead is from the final years of her life. Kathryn Lucille Shoop Allen received these materials from Eunice Mitchell Bennett in October of 1982 and donated them to the Center for the Evangelical United Brethren Heritage in 1986.

The collection has been organized as follows:

Series I: Provenance Note

Series II: Personal Correspondence

Series III: Mission Publications

Series IV: Photographs

#### **BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE**

Eunice Mitchell Bennett went to China in 1922 and attended language school for two years. During this time she stayed in the C. W. Shoop family's home where she became acquainted with Kathryn Lucille, the donor of HC-5. Eunice went on to teach at Miller Seminary in Siulaam (Siu Lam), a girls' boarding and day school run by the United Brethren in Christ Church. She served two terms as a missionary in South China before requesting permanent furlough in 1933 in response to family health needs. She died in 1984.

#### **SCOPE AND CONTENT**

Series I, Provenance Note, consists of a single hand-written note by the donor. The note gives a little background information on Eunice Mitchell Bennett and about the papers she is donating. Series II, Personal Correspondence, contains a number of notes and letters sent by Bennett to Allen during the early 1980s. Series III, Mission Publications, includes two items: a prayer calendar and a missionary directory. These items contain few personal notations. Series IV, Photographs, is the largest series. It consists of three photograph albums and a few loose photos dating between 1912 and 1948. Most of the photos have captions.

# **BOX AND FOLDER LISTING**

<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>	<b>Description</b>	<u>Dates</u>
Series 1	I: Provenan	rce Note Provenance Note	1986
Series 1	II: Correspo	Notes and Letters from E. M. Bennett and Alice Carpenter to K. L. S. Allen	1982-84
Series III: Mission Publications			
1	3	"South China Missionary Diary & Prayer Calendar"	1925
	4	"The South China Missionary Directory"	1932
Series IV: Photographs			
1	5	Loose Photographs:  "Mr. & Mrs. Ward & Gladys, Canton, China"  "Rev. and Mrs. E. B. Ward & daughter Gladys"  "Holiday Greetings from the Cooks"	1912 1915 1940s
	6	"China" photograph album	1922-26
	7	"Laan Tan" photograph album	1924-30
	8	"China Friends" photograph album	1929-48



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