
Preliminary Guide to the Margaret Mallory Collection, ca. 1910s

Collection number: Bernath Mss 5

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Descriptive Summary

Title: Margaret Mallory Collection,

Date (inclusive): ca. 1910s

Collection Number: Bernath Mss 5

Creator: Brown, Will L.

Extent: ca. 2 linear feet (1 document box, 1 card box, and 1 oversize box)

Repository: University of California, Santa Barbara. Library. Department of Special Collections
Santa Barbara, California 93106-9010

Physical Location: Del Sur and Del Sur Oversize

Abstract: Photographs of the Kasai District in the Belgian Congo and date books from Americans working in the region, 1914-1917. Includes collection of West African postcards. Also some unrelated material such as framed Western Americana.

Language: English

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None.

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Acquisition Information

Donation by Margaret Mallory, via transfer from UCSB Art Museum, ca. 1960s.

Scope and Content of Collection

The collection primarily contains 1914-1916 date books (diaries), a 1917 transit book, photos, picture postcards, and a few documents and letters of Will L. Brown, San Bernardino, California, who for much of that time was a miner/pro prospector/trader in the Kasai region of the Belgian Congo. The date books generally talk about drilling operations, day-to-day life, and relations with other Congolese and Europeans in the area. Also included are typed transcripts for the date books and a few unrelated items such as framed Western Americana. The connection between Margaret Mallory and Will L. Brown is unknown.

Margaret Mallory also gave Kasai region artifacts to UCSB, as well as books and manuscripts, many art related, to the UCSB University Libraries.