

Lavinia L. Dock Papers

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Collection Summary

Title: Lavinia L. Dock Papers

Span Dates: 1908-1949

Bulk Dates: (bulk 1935-1948)

ID No.: MSS18671

Creator: Dock, Lavinia L., 1858-1956

Extent: 350 items ; 1 container ; 0.2 linear feet

Language: Collection material in English

Location: Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Summary: Nurse, public health activist, and author. Correspondence, newspaper clippings, printed matter, and photographs relating to Dock's work with the American Association of the Red Cross, the Henry Street Settlement in New York, N.Y., and the International Council of Nurses.

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

People

Dock, Lavinia L., 1858-1956.

Organizations

American Association of the Red Cross.

Henry Street Settlement (New York, N.Y.)

International Council of Nurses.

Subjects

Nurses--Soviet Union.

Nurses--United States.

Nursing--Study and teaching.

Social settlements--New York (State)--New York.

Socialism.

Places

Soviet Union--Foreign public opinion, American.

Occupations

Authors.

Nurses.

Social activists.

Administrative Information

Provenance

The papers of Lavinia L. Dock, nurse, public health activist, and author, were given to the Library of Congress by Dock, 1945-1948, and by Elizabeth Brown in 1984.

Processing History

The papers of Lavinia L. Dock were arranged and described in 1998. The finding aid was revised in 2009.

Copyright Status

The status of copyright in the unpublished writings of Lavinia L. Dock is governed by the Copyright Law of the United States (Title 17, U.S.C.).

Access and Restrictions

The papers of Lavinia L. Dock are open to research. Researchers are advised to contact the Manuscript Reading Room prior to visiting. Many collections are stored off-site and advance notice is needed to retrieve these items for research use.

Preferred Citation

Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: Container number, Lavinia L. Dock Papers, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Scope and Content Note

The papers of Lavinia L. Dock (1858-1956) span the years 1908-1949, with the bulk of the material dating from 1935 to 1948. The papers include correspondence, news clippings, printed matter, photographs, and collected writings by others on nursing. Almost all of the papers concern Dock's work in public health nursing and with the International Council of Nurses, the American Association of the Red Cross, and the Henry Street Settlement in New York City. Many of her letters reflect Dock's enthusiastic support of the Soviet Union and world socialism, both before and after World War II, and her efforts to bring Russian nurses into the International Council of Nurses.

Arrangement of the Papers

This collection is arranged alphabetically by type of material.

Container List

| <i>Container</i> | <i>Contents</i> |
|------------------|---|
| BOX 1 | Correspondence, 1908, 1935-1949, undated (2 folders) |
| BOX 1 | Miscellany, circa 1935, 1943-circa 1948, undated |
| BOX 1 | News clippings, 1936-1947, undated |
| BOX 1 | Printed matter, circa 1937-1948, undated |