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Finding Aid: Personal Mission Materials, Sr. Philibert Fuite, SL

LHC17.P

Date Range: 1923-1992

Creator: Sr. Philibert Fuite, SL

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Creator of Material Biography: Philibert Fuite, SL, was born April 25, 1905 as Marie Genevieve Fuite in Grand Junction, Colorado to John Fuite and Marguerite Dowling. She grew up attending public schools in Grand Junction and received her bachelor's degree from Loretto Heights College in Denver in 1927. Later that year, she entered the Novitiate and was received into the Sisters of Loretto on December 8, 1927. For 20 years, Philibert taught at Loretto schools across the Midwest and Southwest before being released from teaching to write a book about the life of Mother Francisca Lamy. Inspired by Willa Cather's 1927 novel *Death Comes for the Archbishop*, Philibert conducted her own research about Catholic history in New Mexico, particularly Santa Fe's first Archbishop, Jean-Baptiste Lamy. She was especially interested in the archbishop's niece, Marie Lamy, who joined the Sisters of Loretto and became Mother Francisca Lamy. Philibert worked extensively on a biography about Francisca Lamy, but never completed it. However, she did produce a number of historical booklets and newspaper articles about Catholic history in New Mexico and the Lamy family. Philibert died October 9, 1992 at Nazareth Hall in El Paso, Texas.

Description: Material created by, collected by, or about Philibert Fuite.

Related Materials: Personnel file for Philibert (LHC04) and for the original diaries of Sr. Francisca Lamy; LHC13 for copies of some of her pamphlets.

Arrangement

Material was grouped into sub-series and files by the archivist, Laurel Wilson.

Sub-series 1: LHC17.P.a Biographical Materials and Short Writing Pieces

Box 1: LHC17.P.a.01

Folder 1: Biographical Materials

Folder 2: Correspondence

Folder 3: Talks/Essays

Folder 4: Newspaper Articles (1)

Folder 5: Newspaper Articles (2)

Folder 6: Drafts of Articles (1)

Folder 7: Drafts of Articles (2)

Folder 8: Pamphlets

File contains pamphlets written by Sr. Philibert. Titles: "Did Vargas Win His Battle with a Banner?;" "Winning the Nations with La Conquistadora;" "Did a Yard-High Statue Stall an Arm?;" "John XXIII and Saint Anthony in Istanbul."

Sub-series 2: LHC17.P.b Research Materials

Box 1: LHC17.P.b.01

Folder 1: Correspondence Related to Lamy Research

Folder 2: Research (1)

Folder 3: Research (2): Includes Maps and Sketches

Folder 4: Research (3)

Folder 5: Research (4): Photos and Drawings

Folder 6: Research (5)

Box 1: LHC17.P.b.02

Folder 1: Francisca Lamy's Diary, 1891-1904

Folder 2: Francisca Lamy's Diary, 1905-1912

Sub-series 3: LHC17.P.c Drafts of Francisca Lamy Biography

Box 1: LHC17.P.c.01

Folder 1: Drafts (1)

Folder 2: Drafts (2)

Folder 3: Drafts (3)

Folder 4: Drafts (4)

Box 2: LHC17.P.c.02

Folder 1: Drafts (5)

Folder 2: Drafts (6)