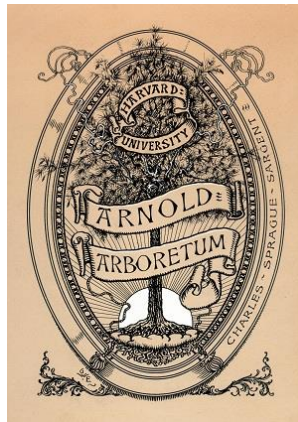


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### **Descriptive Summary**

**Repository:** Arnold Arboretum, Jamaica Plain, MA

**Call No.:** III EHW

**Location:** Archives.

**Title:** Ernest Henry Wilson (1876-1930) papers, 1896-2017.

**Dates:** 1896-1952.

**Creator:** Wilson, Ernest Henry, 1876-1930.

**Quantity:** 20 linear feet, 30 boxes

**Abstract:** The Ernest Henry Wilson papers reflect his contribution to horticulture and botany as a plant collector who, through numerous expeditions to China, Korea, and Japan, introduced many new species into cultivation in arboreta, parks, and private gardens. The collection includes his extensive correspondence written between 1899 and 1930 to Arnold Arboretum staff, mainly Charles Sprague Sargent (1841-1927), the Arboretum's first director; copies of his letters to other Arboretum explorers and colleagues such as Joseph Charles Francis Rock (1884-1962), David Fairchild (1869-1954), Frank Nicholas Meyer (1875-1918) Alfred Rehder (1863-1949), and members of the Veitch Nurseries in England. Other material includes field and plant collection notes, diaries, account books, shipping lists, maps, and manuscripts of both published and unpublished works. There are Chinese and other travel documents, letters of recommendation, certificates and material relating to Wilson's life as a student and his early work as a gardener. There is an extensive collection of clippings from newspapers and copies of articles from botanical and horticultural journals. Material relating to the administration of Arnold Arboretum and his other activities at Harvard University are included, as well. Of special note is Wilson's photograph collection of approximately 7,700 images taken at the Arnold Arboretum, throughout New England, in Eastern Asia, and around the world.

**Note:** Access to Finding Aid record in [HOLLIS](#).

**Preferred Citation:** Ernest Henry Wilson (1876-1930) papers, 1896-2017. Archives of the Arnold Arboretum of Harvard University.

**Additional Forms:** Some volumes have been reproduced and are available on microfilm. See Series W.XIX: Microfilm

**Additional Material:** Additional Ernest Henry Wilson correspondence can be found by searching the [Arnold Arboretum Correspondence Database](#). In addition to links to digitized material listed in this guide, Harvard University Library Open Collections Program provides Wilson material online through their website, "[Expeditions & Discoveries: Sponsored Exploration and Scientific Discovery in the Modern Age. Ernest H. Wilson Expeditions to China, Japan, Korea, Formosa, and Islands in the Japanese Sea 1899-1919.](#)"

## **Processing Information**

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## **Acquisition Information**

### **Provenance**

The major part of the E.H. Wilson collection has been at the Arnold Arboretum since Wilson's employment (1906-1930). The Veitch letters and many of the manuscripts were provided by his daughter, the late Muriel Primrose Wilson Slate (1906-1976), and her husband, Dr. George Slate (1899-1976) in 1952. Newspaper clipping and letters written by Wilson to his friend and nurseryman, Harlan Page Kelsey (1889-19?) were presented to the Arnold Arboretum by his son, Seth Kelsey, in 1970. In 1981, Wilson's granddaughter, Mrs. John R. Abbott (Barbara Slate Abbott), gave additional documents and mementos to the archives. At that time some of the material contributed by Mrs. Abbott was transferred by Peter Shaw Ashton, the Arboretum's director, to the advocates of the creation of a museum dedicated to Wilson in Chipping Campden, England, and the present site of the E. H. Wilson Memorial Garden. Scheduled to open in 1984, the museum never materialized. In September 1996, the transferred papers and books were returned to the Arnold Arboretum from the Library of the Royal Botanic Garden, Kew where they had been on deposit. Wilson's letters to C.S. Sargent and the letters from Messrs. James Veitch and Sons, nurserymen, were included in the Wilson papers in 1984. In 1996, C.S. Sargent's letters to Wilson were removed from the Arboretum's Pre-1927 correspondence file and placed in the archives. Several of Wilson's notebooks which were originally catalogued and shelved in the library were moved to the archives in 1980. Parts of the Wilson papers were microfilmed in 1980: Harvard University Photographic Department. Microfilm: 80-3626. Master C804, Reel 3, 4.

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## Historical Note



"Ernest Henry Wilson wished to go down in memory as 'Chinese Wilson,' and so it has been. His reputation today is certainly that of one of the most successful individuals to introduce horticulturally valuable plants from China to western gardens. Over 1,000 different plants were gathered by Wilson and introduced in England and America as seeds, bulbs, cuttings, or plants; these have since become established in the horticultural trade and in private or botanical gardens."

Introduction to "[E.H. Wilson as a Botanist](#)," by Richard A. Howard, Director, Arnold Arboretum *Arnoldia*, 40; 3, 4, 1980.

E. H. Wilson was born at Chipping Campden, Gloucestershire, England, on February 15, 1876, the eldest of Henry and Annie (Curtis) Wilson's seven children. On leaving school, Wilson apprenticed at the nurseries of Messrs. Hewitt of Solihull, Warwickshire. In 1892, at sixteen, he was employed at the Birmingham Botanical Gardens as a gardener and, on his own time in the evening, studied botany at the Birmingham Technical School. His next employment, which began in January 1897, was at the Royal Botanic Garden, Kew. In October of the following year, Wilson began studies at the Royal College of Science in South Kensington.

When the nursery firm of Veitch and Sons asked William Turner Thiselton-Dyer (1843-1928), the director of the Royal Botanic Gardens at Kew (1885-1891), to recommend a suitable man to be sent to China to collect seeds and plants, it was the young E.H. Wilson he nominated. After six months of training under George Harrow at Veitch's Coombe Wood Nursery, Wilson left for China in 1899 and began a successful career in introducing Asiatic plants to the West. On his way to China, he visited at the Arnold Arboretum for five days, and initiated a life-long



collaboration with the institution. In April 1902, Wilson returned to England and on

June 8, 1902 married Ellen Ganderton of Edgbaston, Warwickshire. They had one daughter, Muriel Primrose, who would later marry the American botanist, George Slate, a





plant breeder at the Agricultural Experiment Station in Geneva, New York. Wilson went on a second trip to China for Veitch that lasted from 1903 to 1906. For the remainder of 1906, he worked as an assistant at the Imperial Institute, London.

His third and fourth China expeditions (1906-1911) were arranged by C.S. Sargent under the sponsorship of the Arnold Arboretum of Harvard University. "A good set of photographs are really about as important as anything you can bring back with you," Sargent wrote as he prepared for his first Arboretum-sponsored expedition. Sargent insisted Wilson take on this journey and on all that would follow, a large format Sanderson whole-plate field camera capable of recording both great detail and broad perspectives without distortion. For three years, beginning in late 1906, Wilson explored western Hupeh and western Szechuan. He arrived in Boston in 1909 via Beijing, Moscow, St. Petersburg, Berlin, Paris, and finally London, where he spent several months developing the glass-plate negatives and seeing his 720 images for the first time. Also in 1909, the family moved to Boston; Ernest and Ellen Wilson would eventually live in a house constructed for them on the grounds of the Arboretum, where they would make their home for the rest of their lives.



The purpose of his second Arboretum expedition, which began in 1910, was to collect cones and conifer seeds in the central and southwestern parts of China. In September of that year, while traveling between Sungpan and Chentu, a landslide hit the expedition group, crushing Wilson's leg. After several months in a hospital at Chentu, Wilson returned to Boston in March 1911, much earlier than planned. Before the accident, however, he had managed to take 374 images and to collect and ship bulbs of *Lilium regale*, the Easter Lily, to Boston.



In January 1914, accompanied by his wife and daughter, Wilson sailed for Japan, where he would focus his attention on cultivated plants, horticulture, conifers, Kurume azaleas, and Japanese cherries. By the time the Wilsons returned to

Boston at the beginning of 1915, there were 619 new images to add to the photograph collection. Wilson next undertook a "systematic exploration" of the region in 1917 and travelled to the Bonin Islands, Japan, Formosa, and along the Yalu River into the far northern reaches of Korea,



returning to Boston in 1919 with seeds, living plants, 30,000 herbarium specimens, and 700 photographs. His last expedition, a tour of the gardens of the world, took place from 1920 to 1922 and included, in alphabetical order: Australia, England, France, India, Kenya, New Zealand, Pakistan, Singapore, South Africa, and Tasmania.

In addition to being a plant explorer and a botanist, Wilson became a prolific author and a much sought-after lecturer. His articles appeared in the popular press as well as in the botanical literature, and he often illustrated his talks with hand-colored lantern slides adapted from the glass plate negatives created during his travels. In 1919, Wilson was appointed Assistant Director; after Sargent's death in 1927, Wilson became "Keeper" of the Arnold Arboretum. Three years later, his remarkable career was cut short when he and his wife were killed in an automobile accident on October 15, 1930 outside Worcester, Massachusetts. Ernest and Ellen Wilson are buried in the Mont-Royal Cemetery in Montreal, Canada.

*Fig. 1: E.H. Wilson, Mrs. E.H. Wilson, and Muriel family portrait taken in Tokyo 1914. Photographer unknown.*

*Fig. 2: Ficus Wightiana Japan. Wilson, Ernest Henry (1876-1930). x-56.*

*Fig. 3: Japan – Hondo. Wilson, Ernest Henry (1876-1930). x-466.*

*Fig. 4: Korea - Kongo-san. Wilson, Ernest Henry (1876-1930). n-525.*

*Fig. 5: Patung Hsien, China. Wilson, Ernest Henry (1876-1930). o-131.*

*Fig. 6: E.H. Wilson on the Hunnewell Building steps, September 25, 1922.*

## Scope and Content

Although there are a small number of personal family photographs in the collection, no family papers or family correspondence appear to exist. The first trip to China for Messrs. Veitch is the least documented expedition in the collection. No diary from this trip has been found, although evidence indicates that a diary was kept. No letters from Wilson to the Veitch firm have been located from the expeditions for Messrs. Veitch. However, the Veitch's letters to Wilson, as well as their instructions to him for both trips, are included.

His papers also include some early work and education records, diaries, field and plant notes, account books, shipping lists, maps, Chinese and other travel documents, manuscripts, clippings, and several hundred letters to and from Wilson. Also included in his archives is an extensive and virtually complete collection of Wilson's photographs, lantern slides, and glass plate negatives. Some references to photography can be found in the notebooks, but no separate photography notebook exists.

Also in the collection are contemporary articles and books about Wilson, records pertaining to exhibits of Wilson material, and correspondence relating to the Arboretum's archival holdings.

Appendix 1 holds two earlier drafts of the finding aid for the Ernest Henry Wilson Papers, from 1984 and 1997. The 1984 document is the first finding aid created by the Archives of the Arnold Arboretum Library.

## Arrangement

### [Series W.I: Biographical Material.](#)

This series is divided into six subseries, A-F:

- W.I:A: The Early Working Years in England, 1896-1898, consists of letters of recommendation, work certificates, and examination records from Wilson's early years of working as a gardener in England
- W.I:B: Harvard employment documents including certificates of employment
- W.I:C: Personal legal documents including his marriage certificate, will and passports
- W.I:D: Awards, certificates, honors, and primary school certificates (1883-1887), an honorary doctorate from Trinity College, and several medals presented to Ernest Henry Wilson
- W.I:E: Photographs include formal portraits, family photographs, and pictures of Wilson with various friends and associates
- W.I:F: Personal documents regarding friends and family members

### [Series W.II: First Expedition to China for Messrs. Veitch, 1899-1902.](#)

NOTE: Asiatic place names are Romanized according to Wilson's personal system and do not necessarily conform to either historic or current standards.

The main purpose of this trip was to collect the elusive Dove Tree, *Davidia involucrata* which had first been discovered by the French missionary Père Armand David (1826-1900) in Sichuan Province near the Tibetan border. James Herbert Veitch's (1868-1907) directive to Wilson stated that, "The object of the journey is to collect a quantity of seeds of a plant (*Davidia*) ... This is the object—do not dissipate time, energy or money on anything else." Wilson traveled to Ichang via Boston, San Francisco, and Hong Kong to Yunnan, where he met fellow explorer Augustine Henry (1857-1930). Wilson used Ichang as his headquarters, and following Henry's advice, searched for the Dove Tree in Western Hupeh and Szechuan and along the Yangtze River. Eventually he found several fruiting trees reportedly sent 14,875 of seeds of *Davidia involucrata* to the Veitch nurseries.

Material in this series includes the handwritten "agreement" between Wilson and Messrs. Veitch, a notebook kept by the Veitch firm on seeds received from Wilson between 1899 and 1905, and notations by Wilson on "Hosie's itinerary," published in *Three years in western China; a narrative of three journeys in Ssŭ-ch'uan, Kuei-chow, and Yün-nan*, written in 1887 by Sir Alexander Hosie (1853-1925). Also in this series is Wilson's plant collection notebook which also contains shipment lists, propagation data, and other lists. Collection numbers of seeds from this trip: 1-1310. Collection numbers of herbarium specimens: 1-2800. No dates are given and field localities are not in a logical sequence. (Howard) The correspondence from this expedition is available in Series W.VII. Travel documents, mainly Chinese passports, are in Series W.XI.

### [Series W.III: Second Expedition to China for Messrs. Veitch, 1903-1905.](#)

The main goal for this expedition was to collect the rare alpine plant *Meconopsis integrifolia*, often called the Himalayan or yellow poppy. Wilson arrived in Shanghai in March 1903 and traveled north through Western Szechuan to the Sino-Tibetan border, where he found *Meconopsis integrifolia* growing at an altitude of 11,000 feet. This arduous expedition was first described by Wilson in a series entitled in, "Leaves from my Chinese notebook," published in *The Gardeners' Chronicle* between June 1905 and June 1906. James H. Veitch's hand-written instructions, and Wilson's final account with the Veitch firm is also in this series. There are several field diaries, written in pencil and often difficult to read, which contain dated entries and locations. Collection lists, field notes for seeds and herbarium specimens, a list of "Wilson plants received from Veitch" [at the Arnold Arboretum] 1907-1909, are also part of this series. For letters and travel documents, see Series W.VII. and W.IX. Collection numbers of seeds from this trip: 1400-1910. Herbarium specimens are numbered: 3000-5420.

### [Series W.IV: Third Expedition to China—The First for The Arnold Arboretum, 1907-1909.](#)

In December 1906, Wilson signed an agreement to collect plants in China for the Arnold Arboretum. The main objective for this expedition was to collect seeds and herbarium specimens of as many woody plants as possible, but Wilson was also assigned to collect more broadly for private subscribers to the expedition. When Sargent instructed Wilson to document the expedition with photographs he set the precedent of asking all his future explorers to do so as well. Field cooperation was arranged with the United States Department of Agriculture, through David Fairchild, who had sent Frank Meyer to China in 1905 as an agricultural plant explorer for the Office of Foreign Seed and Plant Introduction. Harvard's Museum of Comparative Zoology sent Walter Reaves Zappey (1878-1914), a trained collector and museum preparator to accompany Wilson and collect skins and pelts.

Wilson and Zappey landed at Shanghai on February 4, 1907, and met with Meyer later that month. They spent most of the first year in Western Hupeh with Ichang as a base. The second year, they travelled in a house-boat which they named "The Harvard" up the Yangtze to Kiating, then overland, through the Province of Szechuan to the Tibetan border. They collected in the Min Valley, and the surrounding mountains using Kiating as a base. Zappey collected 3,135 birds, 370 mammal skins and various reptiles and fishes. Wilson returned to Boston in 1909, via Peking, Moscow, Leningrad (St. Petersburg), Berlin and Paris. He also spent several months in London developing the 720 glass plates he had taken during the expedition.

These activities are reflected in the diaries, collection notes, and accounts in this series. The four diaries from this expedition are dated and localities are given. They include some references to photographs taken and work with Zappey. The collection field notes refer to plants sent to the various sponsors. A special column indicates the location at the Arnold Arboretum where seeds were planted. The collection numbers have been given a new numerical sequence for the Arnold Arboretum: Seeds: 1-1474; Herbarium specimen: 1-3817, 4000, 4002, 4005. Photograph Collection: Z-Series: Z-1 - Z-720.



#### [Series W.V: Fourth Expedition to China—The Second for The Arnold Arboretum, 1910-1911.](#)

On February 26, 1910 Wilson signed a new agreement with Harvard to collect in China. He arrived in Ichang by the end of May. The main objective of this expedition was to collect cones and seeds of conifers in the central and southwestern parts of China. The conifers had been found in a non-fruiting condition during his previous trip. In September, while Wilson was traveling between Sungpan and Chengtu, the expedition was hit by a landslide. Wilson's leg was seriously injured and he had to spend several months at hospitals in Chengtu recovering. The accident forced an early return to Boston on March 11, 1911, much sooner than had been planned. Before the accident, Wilson had made arrangements to have bulbs of *Lilium regale* collected, prepared for shipment and sent to Boston.

The two diaries in this series were kept between June 4 and September 3, 1910. The field notes were kept in the same ledgers as during the previous Arnold Arboretum expeditions. These ledgers can be found in Series W.IV. The letter of agreement, Wilson's accounts, and some of his medical bills are also here. Collection numbers of seeds from this trip: 4000-4462; Herbarium specimen numbers: 4006-4744. The collection of numbers 4463-4744 were probably made by assistants after Wilson's accident. (Howard) Photograph Collection: O-Series: O-1 - O-374.

#### [Series W.VI: The Fifth Expedition to Japan—February 1914-January 1915.](#)

Beginning in the spring of 1911, in addition to curating his collections and fulfilling a variety of duties as a staff member, Wilson began work with the Arboretum's taxonomist, Alfred Rehder, on the manuscript for *Plantae Wilsonianae : an enumeration of the woody plants collected in western China for the Arnold Arboretum of Harvard University during the years 1907, 1908, and 1910* by E. H. Wilson which would be ultimately published between 1913-1917 in three volumes.

By January 1914, it was time for a fifth expedition to the Far East, this time to Japan, accompanied by his wife and daughter. His objective for this trip was to study the native forests, cultivated plants, and Japanese horticultural practices. Special attention was directed to the Japanese flowering cherries and learning more about Kurume azaleas which he saw in a nursery in the Angyo district of Kawaguchi. Wilson also made important contacts with Japanese colleagues. February and March were spent in southern Japan; April through June, in central Japan. In July and August, the Wilsons visited Hokkaido, Hondo, and Saghalien, and returned to central and southern Japan in the fall. Because of the war situation, the Wilsons had to return to Boston in the beginning of 1915.

This series contains two books of field notes, two books with notations on plants in alphabetical order, and an account book. Collection numbers: 6001-7888 (many duplicates). (Wilson never used the numbers 4744-6000.) Photograph Collection: X-Series: X-1 - X-619.

#### [Series W.VII: Wilson's Sixth Expedition to the Far East—Japan, Korea, Manchuria, Formosa, and Islands in the Japanese Sea, January 1917-March 1919.](#)

Wilson continued his work at the Arnold Arboretum until early 1917, when another expedition to the Far East was organized. From a scientific point of view, this is considered

Wilson's most important expedition. During this trip, he successfully collected a selection of azaleas in the small town of Kurume on the southern Island of Kyushu. The "Kurume azaleas" had been originally developed by Motozo Sakamoto, a Japanese nurseryman. Wilson's collection of these azaleas came to be known as "The Wilson Fifty." In December 1918, Wilson returned to Boston.

This series contains five collection notebooks, each with mixed diary and collection notes. There is also a group of loose-leaf notes with extensive notations from certain areas. Collection numbers: 8000-11268. Photograph Collection: N-Series: N-1 - N-703.

#### [Series W.VIII: Wilson's Visit to "Gardens of the World," October 1920-August 1922.](#)

In July 1920, Wilson left Boston for Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, India, Kenya, Rhodesia, and South Africa. He was to establish contacts with botanical gardens and to arrange the exchange of scientific literature. Wilson traveled via England and through the Suez Canal to Australia where he arrived in October. In April 1922, Wilson was back in England. The spring and summer were spent in Europe and in August, Wilson returned to the Arnold Arboretum.

This series contains two diaries with collection notes mixed in from Australia and New Zealand, mainly from 1920. The series also has two diaries from 1921 and two small notebooks from England and France in 1922. Collection numbers (new series): 1-799. Plant collecting at this time had become hampered by new rulings by the Federal Horticultural Board of Washington, which prohibited import to the United States of plants from abroad. Photograph Collection: Y Series: Y-1 - Y-193.

#### [Series W.IX: Photograph Collections.](#)

"E. H. 'Chinese' Wilson, the Arboretum's most famous collector, composed his plant portraits with exquisite appreciation of their cultural surroundings ... These photographs go far beyond the simple records of specimens encountered on botanical travels to a distant land. They can also present a cultural narrative about the people who have inhabited those lands for many centuries and their intimate relationships with the plants that surround them. And, in the hands of an exceptional photographer such as Wilson, many of these images became remarkable works of visual quality ..."

From the introduction by Robert E. Cook, Director, Arnold Arboretum, to "The Nature of Things" an exhibit of Arboretum images held at the Photographic Resource Center, Boston University, 2000-2001.

Wilson's images exist in many formats: glass plate negatives, black and white and hand-colored lantern slides, black and white prints mounted on boards or in bound albums, a small number of unmounted prints, 35mm negatives, contact prints, 35mm slides, and digital images on deposit at Harvard's digital repository. Each image has detailed documentation that includes either plant name, geographic location, habitat, tree height and dbh [diameter at breast height], altitude, and date or geographic location in the case of views. The vast majority of his photographs consist of 8½ x 6½ inch black and white prints mounted on 11¾ x 9½ inch acidic, black boards that are housed in vertical files. They are

arranged alphabetically either by the Latin binomial, or by geographic location, and are interfiled within the larger Arboretum Photograph Archives in the library's reading room.

A list of Wilson's images taken in the Arboretum is available in the accession records of the A Series (A-1- A-936). An incomplete listing (1923-1926) of his images taken elsewhere in North America (principally New England) are listed in the M Series (M-1 - M-397). These accession lists, along with those of his expeditions (Series O, Z, X and Y) are located in the archives file: X. AA Photographs: A-4. Records.

In addition to the prints mounted on boards, a second set of prints from the two expeditions to China are arranged in chronological order by accession number in two sets albums: Series Z (1907-1909) consists of 7 volumes; Series O (1910-1911) consists of 3 volumes. An additional set of 619 prints from the Japan trip, Series X, are arranged alphabetically by genus in 6 bound volumes. Wilson's glass plate negatives and lantern slides are housed in vertical files, and arranged by negative number. Digital copies of all of Wilson's Eastern Asian images are on deposit at the Digital Repository Service (DRS) and can be accessed through HOLLIS Images < <https://images.hollis.harvard.edu/> >, Harvard's union catalog of visual resources. To capture the largest number of Wilson records in VIA, Search for **Eastern Asian** in *Anywhere* and Search for **E. H. Wilson** in *Name* and Limit repository to: **Arnold Arboretum Horticulture Library (Jamaica Plain).**

As part of a 1985 IMLS Conservation Grant, all of Wilson's glass plates, the format for the majority of his images, were replicated on 35mm safety film with corresponding contact sheets. They are also available in slide format.

#### [Series W.X: Maps and Travel Handbooks.](#)

The majority of the maps in this series are the original ones used by Wilson in the field. However, the original maps from the expeditions to China are lacking.

#### [Series W.XI: Legal Documents for Expeditions, 1899-1910.](#)

The travel documents in this series are related to the China expeditions. Most are passports issued by British (and American) Consulate officials and countersigned by local Chinese officials. The text is usually in Chinese ink script on large size Chinese fiber paper. Many of the documents have added notations in English. Wilson is identified as a person collecting wild plants.

#### [Series W.XII: Manuscripts, 1903-1904.](#)

This series consists of handwritten manuscripts that appear to agree with the content of Wilson's series "Leaves from my Chinese Notebook" published in *The Gardeners' Chronicle*, v.37 (1905): 337-338, 356-357, 382-384; v. 38 (1905): 4-5, 24, 65-66, 94-95, 124-125, 146-147, 174, 202-203, 245-246, 266-267, 277, 323-324, 355, 388-389, 420-422, 459; v.39 (1906): 11-13, 27-28, 60, 101, 138-139, 165-166, 179-180, 258-259, 293-294 331-332, 340-342, 402-403, 419-420.

#### [Series W.XIII: Unpublished Manuscript and Related Correspondence, 1928-present.](#)

This series contains a copy of the manuscript of the unpublished "Wilson plants in cultivation" on which Wilson was working at the time of his death. This series also includes a manuscript on rhododendrons that "might form a part of Wilson's unpublished manuscript" (Stephen A. Spongberg, August 5, 1983). There is correspondence between Wilson and twenty horticulturists in England and one in France in 1929 on results of Wilson's introductions. In addition there is correspondence in 1941 related to a possible publication of the unfinished manuscript, and correspondence between Robert E. Cook and Stephen A. Spongberg, Arnold Arboretum taxonomist 1970-1998, regarding Spongberg's working manuscript based on Wilson's unpublished manuscript.

#### [Series W.XIV: Correspondence, 1899-1930.](#)

The correspondence series is divided into six subseries: A-F:

- W.XIV:A: Several hundred letters written by Wilson to Charles Sprague Sargent and Alfred Rehder between 1906-1922
- W.XIV:B: Letters written by members of the Veitch family and received by Wilson, 1899-1913
- W.XIV:C: Copies of letters written by Wilson 1906-1910, 1922-1930 to various recipients
- W.XIV:D: Wilson's letters to Harvard University during his months as "assistant director in charge" after Sargent's death in 1927
- W.XIV:E: Letters received by Wilson. Of special interest are four letters from Frank Meyer, in China, 1907; all other letters are from the years 1916-1930
- W.XIV:F: Letters written by Wilson to his longtime friend, Harlan Page Kelsey, 1913-1930

#### [Series W.XV: Published Material about Wilson \(1902-Present\).](#)

Composed mainly of articles, pamphlets, and newspaper clippings published from 1912 to date. The material describes Wilson's activities as an explorer, plant collector, lecturer and author and illustrates the successful role he played in providing public relations for the Arnold Arboretum. (Note: Folder 1 contains the article "Chinese Wilson—plant hunter" in the *World's Work* (November 1913), which includes a drawing from Wilson's "lost" diary from the first expedition to China). There is also a selection of Wilson's books, some autographed or inscribed by Wilson.

#### [Series W.XVI: Collected Works, Selected Published Articles, 1901-1953.](#)

This series is divided into four subseries: A-D:

- W.XVI:A: Articles written or compiled by Wilson
- W.XVI:B: Articles written by Wilson and collected by Harlan Page Kelsey
- W.XVI:C: Publishers' flyers on monographs written by Wilson
- W.XVI:D: Other articles by Wilson

[Series W.XVII: Correspondence and Other Unpublished Material Relating to Wilson, 1930-Present.](#)

This series is divided into six subseries: A-F:

- W.XVII:A: Correspondence related to the transfer of Wilson material from Kew/Chipping Campden to the Arnold Arboretum
- W.XVII:B: Material from Wilson's nephew, Roy Briggs, about research for his book *"Chinese" Wilson: a life of Ernest H. Wilson, 1876-1930*, published in 1993
- W.XVII:C: Wilson memorials
- W.XVII:D: Plant lists and labels
- W.XVII:E: Material relating to Wilson exhibits
- W.XVII:F: Correspondence about Wilson, 1909-present

[Series W.XVIII: Wilson's Personal Library.](#)

This series consists of 67 volumes arranged alphabetically by author.

[Series W.XIX: Microfilm](#)

[Series W.XXX: Symposia](#)

**Related Material**

For additional information about E.H. Wilson published by the Arnold Arboretum, see:

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## **Container List**

### **Series W.I: Biographical Material**

This series is divided into five subseries: A-F

#### **Subseries W.I:A: The Early Working Years in England, 1896-1898.**

##### **Box 1**

##### **Folder 1.**

- Letter of recommendation on behalf of EHW, signed by W. Spinks, manager of Hewitt & Co., a nursery at Edgbaston, Birmingham, England. Dated August 20, 1896.

##### **2.**

- Letter of recommendation on behalf of EHW, signed by W.B. Latham, curator at the Botanical Gardens, Edgbaston, Birmingham, England. Dated August 17, 1896.

##### **3.**

- Letter of recommendation on behalf of EHW, signed by Joseph W. Oliver, Municipal Technical School, Birmingham, England. Dated August 20, 1896.

##### **4.**

- Certificate of work at Royal Gardens, Kew, England, January 4, 1897 to October 1, 1898, and signed by Director Dyer and Curator Nicholson, October 1, 1898.

##### **5.**

- Examination in Botany, London, 1898.

##### **6.**

- List of candidates who were successful in their examination. Department of Science and Art of the Committee of Council on Education. EHW's name listed, 1898.

7.

- Certificate of courses taken by EHW, while employed in the Royal Gardens, Kew, October 1, 1898.

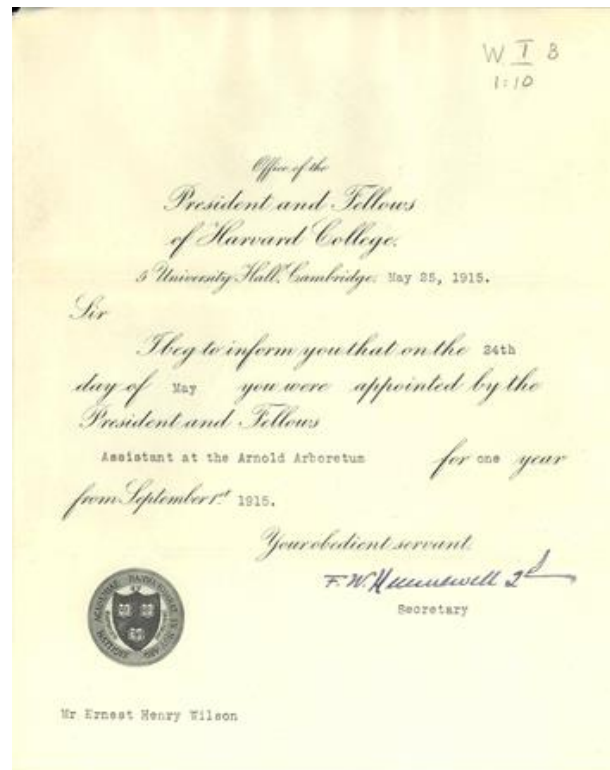
8.

- Printed Rules and Regulations for Workmen. Royal Garden, Kew, 1895.

9.

- Letter of recommendation on behalf of EHW, signed by Wyndham Dunhan, Imperial Institute, London, S. W. November 16, 1906.

**Subseries W.I:B: Harvard Employment Documents**



**Box 1**

**Folder 10**

- Certificate of EHW's employment as an Assistant at the Arnold Arboretum, 1915. (Seen above)

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- Similar certificate for 1916.

- Similar certificate for 1917 and Assistant Director, 1919.

- Salary notice to EHW from the Harvard College Bursar's office, 1918.

- Similar notice for 1919.

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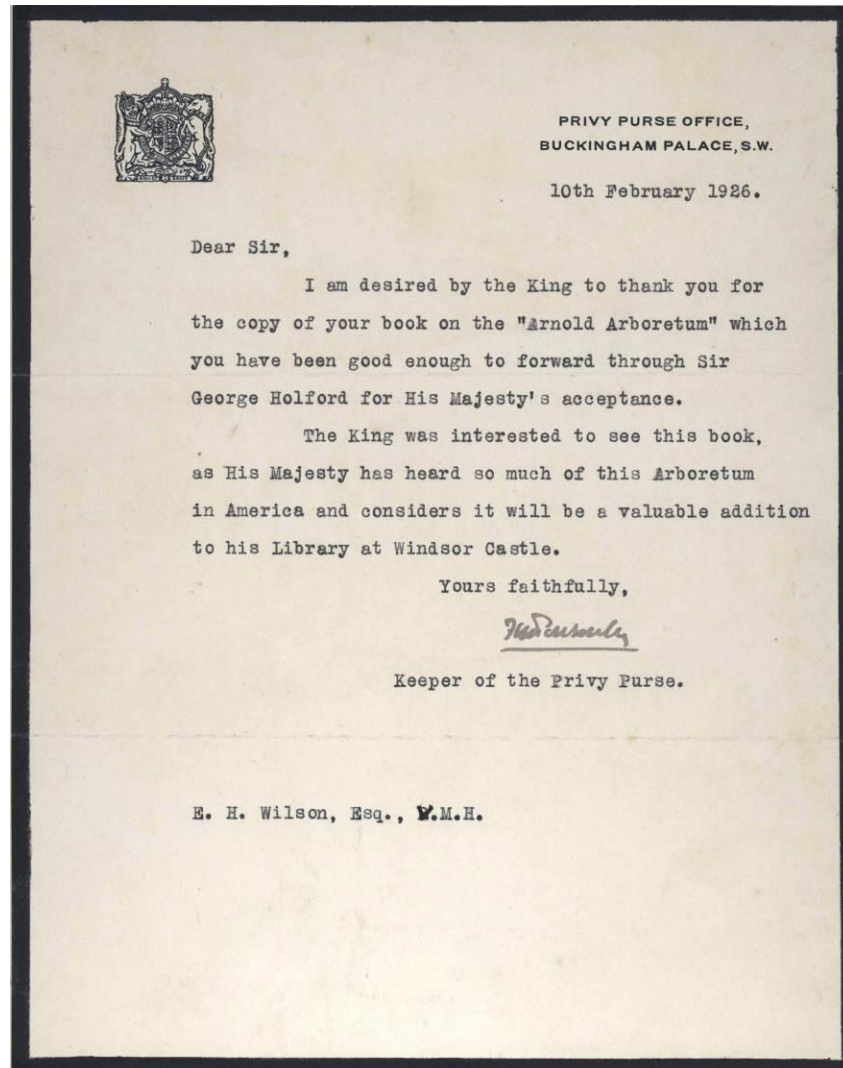
## Folder 15

- Copy of EHW's will.
- EHW and Ellen Wilson's marriage certificate, 1902.
- *EHW and Ellen Wilson's joint passport. (Seen above)*
- Muriel Wilson's passport.

**16.**

- Passenger records for EHW's arrival at Ellis Island on December 14, 1906 and on August 24, 1911. (Printouts from [www.ellislandrecords.org](http://www.ellislandrecords.org))

### **Subseries W.I:D: Awards, Certificates, Honors and Oversized Materials**



### **Box 2: Oversized Materials**

#### **Folder 1: Photographs of awards**

- The tie pin presented to EHW by the Veitch firm after the second expedition to China. The pin represents *Meconopsis integrifolia* with gold petals and forty diamonds for stamens. (2 different photographs)
- The pocket watch presented to EHW inscribed "With Best Wishes of The Horticultural Club of Boston" January 1914. "E.H. Wilson from James H. Veitch 1899-1902 Well Done!" (2 different photographs)

## 2.

- Shirley C.E. Schools' certificates for the years 1883-1887, 1889.
- Shirley C.E. Schools' Certificate of merit, 6th standard, 1888.
- Good conduct and proficiency certificate in religion, 1889.
- Good conduct and proficiency certificate in arithmetic, 1889.
- Certificate of passage of 1st class, advanced stage, botany, 1896.
- Certificate of passage of examination in horticulture, 1st class, higher grade.
- Certificate of honors in botany, 1898.
- Certificate for the Victoria Medal of Honour issued by the Royal Horticultural Society, 1912.
- *Letter from Privy Purse Office, Buckingham Palace, thanking EHW for donation of book, Arnold Arboretum, 1926. (Seen above)*
- Honorary membership in Worcester County Horticultural Society, 1927.
- Photograph of the Loder Rhododendron Cup Award, EHW, 1927.
- Certificate of Fellow of American Academy of Arts and Sciences, 1929.
- Vote of thanks certificate from Massachusetts Horticultural Society for help in Centennial Exhibition, 1929.
- Honorary doctorate, in Latin. Trinity College, 1930.
- Honorary membership in American Orchid Society.
- Printed replicas of medals received by EHW.

### Box 2: Loose Materials

- Certificate of passage of elementary stage of botany, 1895.
- Certificate of corresponding membership in Massachusetts Horticultural Society, 1911.
- Certificate of Life Membership in Massachusetts Horticultural Society, 1915.
- Certificate for grand medal of Société Nationale d'Acclimatation of France, 1918.



- Life membership certificate in American Rose Society, 1923.

▪ **Box 3**

- 1. The tie pin presented to EHW by the Veitch firm after the second expedition to China, 1905.
- 2. Medal: Royal Horticultural Society. "To the Harvard University for photographs of expedition to China by E. H. Wilson, August 1909."
- 3. Medal: Massachusetts Horticultural Society. Awarded to EHW for photographs illustrating his plant collecting expeditions in China, January 1910.
- 4. Royal Horticultural Society. Victoria Medal, 1912.
- 5. Medal: Massachusetts Horticultural Society. Awarded to EHW in further recognition of his eminent service to horticulture, 1912.
- 6. George Robert White Medal of Honor. Massachusetts Horticultural Society Award to EHW MCMXV for eminent service in Horticulture.
- 7. Medal: Iside Geoffroy St. Hilaire. Société Nationale d'Acclimatation de France. EHW, 1918.
- 8. Medal: Massachusetts Horticultural Society. Awarded to EHW. For Introduction of Kurume Azaleas, March 1920.
- 9. The Veitch Memorial Medal. "Mr. E. H. Wilson. For his introductions to gardens and his books. 1926."
- 10. Medal: Massachusetts Horticultural Society. Centennial 1929. EHW for inspirational books.
- 11. Massachusetts Horticultural Society. Centennial 1929. Award to EHW. For a planting of *Lilium Regale*. 1929.
- 12. The Veitch Memorial Medal. Presented to Wilson in recognition of his great services to horticulture by the discovery and introduction of new plants from China. 1906. The other is: Awarded to Ernest H. Wilson in appreciation of the discovery and introduction of the Regal Lily and the many other outstanding and valuable plants from China. (Removed from exhibit hall).

**Subseries W.I:E: Photographs**

- **Box 1**

- **Folder 17: Portraits of Ernest Henry Wilson**



- *Earliest known photograph of EHW. Taken at Birmingham Botanical Gardens, Edgbaston, 1894. (1 photograph) (Seen above)*
- Portrait of EHW as a young man, Birmingham, no date. (1 photograph)
- Portrait of EHW, Hong Kong. (1 photograph)
- Portrait of EHW, used as a publicity photograph, taken in 1921. (18 photographs and 1 slide)
- EHW standing on the steps of the Hunnewell Building of the Arnold Arboretum, September 25, 1922. (16 photographs and 2 negatives)
- EHW sitting on the steps of the Hunnewell Building of the Arnold Arboretum, September 25, 1922. (6 photographs—one is cropped and one negative)
- EHW in garden at home at 380 South Street, Jamaica Plain, MA, holding a cigar, September, 1924. (2 different photographs)
- EHW looking at the *Cornus kousa chinensis* in the Arnold Arboretum, 1924.

- EHW in the Arnold Arboretum Reading Room, Hunnewell Building, November 5, 1924. (2 different photographs (3 copies of one))
- EHW, Botanist and Keeper of the Arnold Arboretum, no date. (1 photograph)
- EHW sitting on a fence, no date. (1 photograph)
- EHW standing on a road, no date. (1 photograph)
- EHW, President of Horticultural Club of Boston, 1927?
- EHW at the Arnold Arboretum, 1929?
- EHW in cap and gown, seated among the lilies of South Street garden after receiving his honorary doctorate from Trinity College, 1930. (10 photographs and 2 negatives)
- Sketch of EHW by Pamela Bruns, no date. (1 drawing and 1 negative with display card.)
- Correspondence and other documentation concerning EHW portrait painted by Mrs. G.C. Page in 1933. Painting on loan from the Massachusetts Horticultural Society, hanging on the 4th floor Hunnewell Building, 2009.

▪ **Folder 18: Ernest Henry Wilson Family Photographs**



- Muriel Wilson, age 5, next to *Vitus labrusia* growing in the original Arnold Arboretum shrub collection, circa 1908. (1 photograph)

- EHW, Ellen Wilson, and Muriel family portrait taken in Tokyo, 1914. (6 photographs, 3 negatives)
- "Yours Truly Mu," Woking, England, 1923. (1 photograph)
- "Our first car, Jewell, taken at Arnold Arboretum," with Ellen Wilson, Minnie Prevost, and Aunt Betty, 1923. (1 photograph)
- Aunt Betty outside 380 South Street, Jamaica Plain, MA. (1 photograph)
- Ellen Wilson, Aunt Betty Mumford (Collins), and Muriel at 380 South Street, Jamaica Plain, MA. (2 photographs)
- *EHW and Muriel with family dog on a picnic in Canada. (2 photographs)] (Seen above)*
- EHW, Ellen Wilson, Muriel, and Betty Mumford near Willoughby Lake, VT. (2 photographs)
- EHW, Muriel and unknown man near Willoughby Lake, VT. (2 photographs)
- Aunt May (Wilson) (Mrs. Butter). (1 photograph)
- Aunt Flo (Wilson) (Mrs. Furland). (1 photograph)
- EHW's granddaughter Barbara Abbott at Arnold Arboretum standing steps of the Hunnewell Building. Posed as the 1922 EHW photograph. (2 photographs, 1 sheet of negatives and 1 contact print)
- **Folder 19: Photographs of Ernest Henry Wilson Friends and Associates**
  - "Bothy" crew at Royal Botanical Gardens Kew. (1 photograph)

NOTE: Royal Botanical Gardens Kew states that "This photograph has been examined by several Kew staff and we do not think it was taken at Kew."

- EHW and Professor Charles Sprague Sargent standing in front of the *Prunus subhirtella*, May 2, 1915. (2 photographs)
- C.W. Hoitt, Judge of Supreme Court of New Hampshire, December 24, 1920. (1 photograph)

- EHW and R. Kanakawa outside the Hunnewell Building, March 19, 1929. (1 photograph)
- EHW and Fred Landis at the Arnold Arboretum, July 1929. (1 photograph)
- Thomas Roland Memoriam with photograph, 1863-1929, by Walter Gardner Kendall. (1 photograph)
- T. Howard Stewart in Montreal. Died September 1951 at the age of 82. Close friend of EHW. (1 photograph)
- **Folder 20: Photographs relating to Wilson's birthplace and Memorials**
  - EHW's birthplace Chipping Campden, England. (2 different photographs—one from W.H. Judd, January 15, 1936; the other by Stephen A. Spongberg, no date)
  - E.H. Wilson's birthplace, Chipping Campden, England. Photographs gift of his nephew, Roy Briggs, 1989. (16 photographs, includes some of the memorial garden)
  - The parish church of St. Georges Edgbaston where Ellen "Nellie" Ganderton and EHW wed on June 8, 1902. (2 photographs—one from Roy Briggs.)
  - Ernest Henry Wilson Monument in Mont-Royal Cemetery, Montreal. (No mention of Ellen Wilson on stone. S. Connor) (1 photograph)
  - Ernest Henry Wilson memorial garden in Chipping Campden, England. (1 photograph)
  - Unidentified ship. (1 photograph)

### **Subseries W.I:F: Family and Friends Documents**

- **Box 1**
  - **Folder 21** Collins, Elizabeth M.
    - Social Security Death Index (copy). There is speculation the "Elizabeth Collins" listed on the index is "Aunt Betty."
  - **Folder 22** Slate, Muriel Wilson.
    - Obituary (copy).



- Letter Dunham to Slate, confirming election as Fellow of the Royal Horticulture Society, 1932.

## **Series W.II: First Expedition to China for Messrs. Veitch, June 1899-April 1902**

### ○ **Box 4**

- **Folder 1** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2576116>
  - Memorandum and agreement between James Veitch & Sons, Royal Exotic Nursery, Kings Road, Chelsea, and EHW concerning Wilson's first expedition to China for Messrs. Veitch (March 27, 1899). Two copies, one includes a sheet with "alterations."
  - Item record in [Hollis](#). 99153878703503941.
- **Folder 2** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2551779>
  - Copy of a letter from Charles Sprague Sargent to Veitch with advice for EHW's first expedition, March 17, 1899.
  - Item record in [Hollis](#). 99153878700503941.
- **Folder 3** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2580546>
  - Bound notebook. On spine: "Wilson. Numerical list of seeds collected 1899-1901."
  - Item record in [Hollis](#). 99153878697603941.

#### Contents of notebook:

- Numerical list and description of seeds numbers: 1-1310
- Propagation data on seed numbers 1-1310, in reverse order with Ernest Henry Wilson's comments on degree of success.
- Numerical list and description of specimen numbers: 1-2800
- Consignment data on three shipments from Hong Kong, December 2-December 27, 1899.
- List "a". Plant list.
- Inserted sheet with a list of "Plants wanted from Hong Kong and Ceylon."
- Notes entitled "Lankai & Yunnan"

- List "a" of orchids from Yunnan.
- List of seeds and spores presented to Charles Ford Esq.
- List of orchids to Charles Ford Esq.
- List "b". Herbarium Lankai
- Consignment data on six shipments sent from Ichang via Shanghai, October 7, 1900-January 30, 1902.

Arnold Arboretum Library accession number: 39648.

NOTE: See also Series W.III, Box 6, Folder 13 for "Wilson plants received (at the Arnold Arboretum) from Veitch, November 1907."

- **Folder 4** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2640437>
  - EHW's notebook: "Hosie's itinerary. Tatien-lu to Chentu..." (Notes from A. Hosie, "Three years in Western China," 1887?)
    - Item record in [Hollis](#). 99153880609203941.
- **Folder 5** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2640438>
  - Notebook. Records kept at the Veitch nurseries, 1899-1905. "Numerical list of seeds numbers: 1-1907 collected by E.H. Wilson on his first and second expeditions to China for Messrs. Veitch & Sons, 1899-1905; records kept at the Veitch nurseries."
    - Item record in [Hollis](#). 99153886190303941.

Contents of notebook:

- Section One: "Seeds collected by E.H. Wilson during his first trip to Yunnan and the Yangtze Valley, Central China, 1900-1903." Collection numbers: 1-1307.
- Section Two: "Seeds received from E.H. Wilson, collected during his second trip to Central and Western China February 7, 1903-April 1905." Collection numbers: 1400-1906.

The records include: Dates received - Number - Department or Foreman - Name - Remarks on seed package and in letters: - Habit, Height, Color, Soil, Elevation, Habitat, Results. A copy of a letter dated December 30, 1903, written by E.H. Wilson is glued to the notebook cover.

NOTE: Arnold Arboretum Library accession number 39647.

### **Series W.III: Second Expedition to China for Messrs. Veitch, 1903-1905**

Diaries and Field Notes: Book I-Book IV (Wilson's numbers.) Folders 2-10.

NOTE: Records kept by Messrs. Veitch on seed propagation results for seeds collected 1903-1905 are found in: Series W.II, Box 4, Folder 5, Section Two.

- **Box 5**

- **Folder 1** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2466169>
  - General instructions from Messrs. Veitch, 1902.
    - Item record in [Hollis](#). 99153910420003941.
- **Folder 2** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2633103>
  - Book I: April-June 16, 1903. Western Hupeh and Ichang to Kiating Fu: November 30, 1903-December 22, 1903. Kiating to Tung Sing: April 23-April 30, 1904. Sui Fu to mouth of Tung.
    - Item record in [Hollis](#). 99153910419803941.
- **Folder 3** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2633104>
  - Book IA: April 25-June 18, 1903. Ichang to Kiating. Plant notes.
    - Item record in [Hollis](#). 99153985005903941.
- **Folder 4** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2633105>
  - Book II, Part 1: June 25-July 26, 1903. Kiating Fu to Tachien-lu and return via Wa-chan.
    - Item record in [Hollis](#). 99153985006003941.
- **Folder 5** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2633106>
  - Book II, Part 2: July 28-August 4, 1903. Kiating Fu to Tachien-lu and return. Turned around, this notebook has a separate section: July 14-23, 1903, Tachien-lu, Tung Valley.
    - Item record in [Hollis](#). 99153985004003941.
- **Folder 6** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2633107>
  - Book IIA: June 25-August 4, 1903. Plant notes.
    - Item record in [Hollis](#). 99153985003703941.
- **Folder 7** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2633108>

- Book III, Part 1: August 10-September 23, 1903. Kiating Fu to Sung Pan Ting via Cheng Fu and return.
    - Item record in [Hollis](#). 99153985003603941.
  - **Folder 8** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2633109>
    - Book IV: October 13-23, 1903; November 6-20, 1903. Kiating to Mount Omei and return.
      - Item record in [Hollis](#). 99153985003503941.
  - **Folder 9** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2633110>
    - (Unnumbered Book): March 15-April 24, 1904. Ichang to Sui Fu.
      - Item record in [Hollis](#). 99153985003403941.
  - **Folder 10** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2640464>
    - (Unnumbered Book): May 6-September 19, 1904. Kiating to Chengtu. Includes hand-drawn map and insert of six leaves of geological notes.
      - Item record in [Hollis](#). 99153985003303941.
- **Box 6**
  - **Folder 11** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2640431>
    - Notebook. "Field Notes." 1903-1905.

Contents of notebook:

    - Section One: Wilson's list of collected seeds. Collection numbers: 1400-1910. pp. 1-46.
    - Section Two: Wilson's list of collected herbarium species. Collection numbers: 3000-5420. pp. 49-259. Collection sites given. No collection dates. Occasionally "details" on habitat are given and cross-references between seed lists and herbarium specimen.

NOTE: Arnold Arboretum Library accession number: 39649.

- Item record in [Hollis](#). 99155659617103941.
  - **Folder 12** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2580548>
    - EHW's account notes with Messrs. Veitch, 1903-1904.

- Item record in [Hollis](#). 99155659616803941.
- **Folder 13** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2466170>
  - "Wilson plants received from Veitch, November 1907." List of plants collected by EHW for Messrs. Veitch and received at the Arnold Arboretum. 8 pages in a folder. Seed collection numbers: 1-1310 (see Series W.II, Box 4, Folder 3) with exception of 4c. Seed collection numbers: 1400-1900 (see Folder 11 of this Series, W.III.)
  - Item record in [Hollis](#). 99155659616503941.

NOTE: Arnold Arboretum Library accession number: 39922.

- **Folder 14** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2466171>
  - Five bank drafts "Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corp," 1903-1904.
  - Item record in [Hollis](#). 99155659616403941.

#### **Series W.IV: Wilson's Third Expedition to China—The First for The Arnold Arboretum, 1907-1909**



NOTE: Folders 7, 8, 9 contain notebooks with collection data from two expeditions to China for the Arnold Arboretum. (1907-1909 and 1910-1911)

#### ○ **Box 7**

- **Folder 1** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2466172>
  - EHW's draft on financial terms for the 1907-1909 expedition, August 8, 1906. (1 page)
  - Item record in [Hollis](#). 99155659616303941.

- **Folder 2** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2580549>
  - Agreement between Harvard College and EHW concerning the first expedition to China for the Arnold Arboretum. Signed December 6, 1906 by Charles Sprague Sargent and Wilson. (2 copies)
- **Folder 3** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2640432>
  - Diary from expedition in Western Hupeh, accompanied by Walter Reaves Zappey. Notes include weather observations, plant lists, notes on expenses. Turned around, this diary lists photographs taken, with data on dates, motives, and technicalities, April 2-19, 1907.
- **Folder 4** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2640433>
  - Diary from expedition to Western Szechuan, Min Valley, Mount Wa, Mont Omei, with Kiating as a base. Includes one map, May 11-August 12, 1908.
- **Folder 5** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2640434>
  - Diary. Western Szechuan with Kiating as a base, September 4-24, 1908.
- **Folder 6** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2640435>
  - Diary. Western Hupeh with Ichang as a base. Beside botanical observations, this diary includes comments on photography and on hunting with Walter Reaves Zappey, May 3-June 10, 1909.
- **Folder 7** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2640436>
  - Field notes. Wilson used a new collection number sequence for the Arnold Arboretum.

Contents of notebook:

- Section One: Collection notes from the 1907-1909 expedition. Collection numbers: 1-1474. pp. 4-107. Includes notes on seeds, plants, cuttings, grafts, photographs, numbers of packages sent. Notations are made on plants sent to Messrs. Farquhar, Messrs. Veitch, Prof. Sargent, Miss Willmott, U.S. Dept. of Agriculture. No dates are given.
- Section Two: Collection notes from the 1910-1911 expedition. Collection numbers 4000-4462. pp. 110-141.

(This section [4000-4462] was published as Field Notes, 1911.)

This notebook also includes lists of "sample packages dispatched." Package numbers 2-320 (May 1907-February 1908). p. 271. Package numbers 1-327 (August 1908-February 22, 1909). pp. 271, 273.

NOTE: Arnold Arboretum Library accession number: 39526.

- **Box 8**

- **Folder 8** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2640439>
  - Numerical list of specimens collected on EHW's Arnold Arboretum expeditions to Eastern Asia, "1907-1918," [sic] Vol. 1.

Contents of notebook:

- Section One: Collection entries made during the 1907-1909 expedition. Primary entries in Wilson's hand. Includes habitat notes. Collection numbers 1-3817, 4000, 4002, 4005. (The numbers 3818-3999 were not used in this ledger.)
- Section Two: Collection entries made during the 1910-1911 expedition. Collection numbers: 4006-4744. (Collections numbered 4463-4744 were probably made by assistants after Wilson's landslide accident.)

NOTE: Arnold Arboretum Library accession number: 39525.

- **Folder 9** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2640440>
  - Notes. Numerical list of seeds collected on EHW's Arnold Arboretum expeditions to Eastern Asia, 1907-1908, 1910, which were planted in the Arboretum nurseries.

Contents of notebook:

- Section One: Seeds collected during the 1907-1909 expedition. Collection numbers: 1-1474.
- Section Two: Seeds collected during the 1910-1911 expedition. Collection numbers: 4006-4442. A special column in the notebook indicates the general location where the seeds were planted.

NOTE: Arnold Arboretum Library accession number: 39611.

- **Folder 10** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2640441>



- Account book.

Contents of account book:

- Section One: "The Arnold Arboretum Expedition to China, 1906-1909." "E.H. Wilson in charge." pp. 4-49. Includes "Photographic account." p. 49.
- Section Two: "The John E. Thayer Expedition to China, 1907-1909." "E.H. Wilson in charge." pp. 100-129.
- **Folder 11** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2576117>
  - Account sheet. "The John E. Thayer Expedition to China, 1907-1909." Signed by EHW, December 12, 1909.

NOTE: John E. Thayer Expedition refers to Museum of Comparative Zoology support of their staff member Walter Reaves Zappey on this expedition.

- **Folder 12** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2576118>
  - Account sheet. "The Arnold Arboretum Expedition to China, 1906-1909." Signed by EHW, December 12, 1909. Two similar sheets.
- **Folder 13** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2576119>
  - Account sheet. "E.H. Wilson in account with President and Fellows, Harvard College." "EHW Acct. July 15, 1907." Signed by EHW, Ichang, July 25, 1907. Four sheets.
- **Folder 14** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2551780>
  - A letter from Harvard College with information on a draft, sent on July 13, 1909.

**Series W.V: Wilson's Fourth Expedition to China—The Second for The Arnold Arboretum, 1910-1911**



Notes on seeds and plants collected during this expedition are found in Series W.IV, Box 7, Folder 7. Collection numbers 4000-4462. Notes on specimen collected during this expedition are found in Series W.IV, Box 8, Folder 8. Collection numbers 4006-4766. Notes on seeds planted in the Arnold Arboretum from this expedition are found in Series W.IV, Box 8, Folder 9. (Photo above: O-229)

- **Box 9**

- **Folder 1** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2576120>
  - Agreement between Harvard College and EHW concerning the second expedition to China for the Arnold Arboretum. Signed by Charles Sprague Sargent and Wilson, February 26, 1910.
- **Folder 2** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2551781>
  - Proposed circular to subscribers towards the Wilson Chinese Expedition, April 25, 1910.
- **Folder 3** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2551782>
  - List of British subscribers to the expedition by EHW to Western China, 1910.
- **Folder 4** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2640442>
  - Diary. Expedition to Sungpan. Notes from August 4, 1910 describe a visit to an experimental farm outside Chengtu, June 4-August 4, 1910.
- **Folder 5** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2640443>
  - Diary. Expedition with Chengtu as a base, August 8-September 3, 1910.
- **Folder 6** <https://iif.lib.harvard.edu/manifests/view/drs:12297722>

- Correspondence. Colonial Secretary of Hong Kong to EHW and response; offer of position of "Assistant Superintendent of the Botanical and Forestry department" (declined by EHW), October 27-November 26, 1910.
- **Folder 7** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2640465>
  - Expense accounts. "The Arnold Arboretum's Second Expedition to China, 1910-1911. The President and Fellows of Harvard University in account with E.H. Wilson." pp. 2-24.
- **Folder 8** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2551783>
  - Two medical bills: one from Ichang, 1910, and one from the Friends Mission, Chentu, 1911.

#### **Series W.VI: The Fifth Expedition to Japan—February 1914-January 1915**



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#### ○ **Box 10**

NOTE: Folders 5, 6, 7, 8 all contain extensive notations made on loose leaves removed from a notebook (by Wilson?).

- **Folder 1** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2640459>
  - Field notes on collected plants and seeds. Collection numbers 6001-7199 (numbers 4744-6000 have not been used.) No notations are made in this note book between July 7 and September 23. Additional notes, on collections numbered 6469-6558 of *Prunus*, are found on pp. 106-112. Notes include plant names, dates and places. Primary notes are made in EHW's hand. February 18-October 24, 1914.

NOTE: Arnold Arboretum Library Accession number 39527.

- **Folder 2** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2640460>
  - Field notes of collected plants and seeds. On spine: "Wilson numerical lists, Vol. III., Nos. 7200-7888. Collection numbers 7200-7888." July 19-December 4, 1914.

NOTE: Even if the collection numbers follow the ones in the previous note book, the collection dates are not in sequence. Collection notes from September and October appear in both books of field notes.

NOTE: Arnold Arboretum Accession number 39528.

- **Folder 3** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2640461>
  - Notations on plants in alphabetical order. Place names are given. Dates and names of Japanese botanists appear occasionally.
- **Folder 4** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2640462>
  - Notations on plants in alphabetical order. Includes notes on Japanese botanists and references to earlier collectors; for example Charles Sprague Sargent. Place names are given, but seldom dates for observations. Some notes are made in a handwriting different than Wilson's.
- **Folder 5** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2551775>
  - Notes on plants and places in alphabetical order. *Abies* to *Vitis*, July-September 1914. (44 pages)
- **Folder 6** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2551776>
  - Notes from Mount Takai. (3 pages)
- **Folder 7** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2551777>
  - "Conifers of Formosa and Liukiu Islands in the Tokyo Botanical Herbarium examined with Dr. Hayata, Nov. 6, 1914." (22 pages)
- **Folder 8**
  - Transcription of "Conifers of Formosa and Liukiu Islands in the Tokyo Botanical Herbarium examined with Dr. Hayata, Nov. 6, 1914." (22 pages)
- **Folder 9** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2551778>

- "Corean conifers; material in Tokyo Botanical Garden Herbarium, examined with Dr. Nakai, November 7, 1914." (5 pages)
  - **Folder 10** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2640463>
    - Account book. "E.H. Wilson in account with the Arnold Arboretum Journey to Japan, 1914." pp. 1-33. (pp. 41-148 of book used for accounts 1928-30.)
  - **Folder 11**
    - Transcription of account book from Folder 10.
- **Box 11**
- **Folder 1**
    - Transcribed field notes on collected plants and seeds 7200-7888, July 19-December 4, 1914. Corresponding box/folder numbering 10:2. From EHW's 5th Expedition—Japan, February 1914-January 1915.
  - **Folder 2**
    - Transcribed field notes on plants in alphabetical order, corresponding box/folder numbering 10:3-10:9. Place names are given. From EHW's 5th Expedition—Japan, February 1914-January 1915.
  - **Folder 3**
    - Transcribed field notes on collected plants and Seeds 6001-7199, February 18-October 26, 1914. Corresponding box/folder numbering 10:1. From EHW's 5th Expedition—Japan, February 1914-January 1915.
  - **Folder 4**
    - Transcribed field notes on collected plants and seeds 6001-7199, February 18-October 26, 1914. Corresponding box/folder numbering 10:1. From Wilson's 5th Expedition—Japan, February 1914-January 1915. Modern names for the Wilson accessions 6001-11, 268. (David Mitchner, Arboretum staff member 1984-1987)
  - **Folder 5**
    - Transcribed notes 10:3-10:9 on Wilson's 5th Expedition—Japan, February 1914-January 1915.

- **Folder 6**

- Transcribed notes, field data and diaries from two of EHW's six expeditions to the Far East. Transcribed October 1, 1985-September 30, 1986 by Carin Dohlman.

Note in folder indicating that printout is a duplicate.

**Series W.VII: Wilson's Sixth Expedition to the Far East—Japan, Korea, Manchuria, Formosa, and Islands in the Japanese Sea, January 1917-March 1919.**

- **Box 12**

NOTE: Folders 7-18 contain loose-leaf notes made during 1917 and 1918, and "removed from diary" (by Wilson?). Also, a second set of folders 7-18 contain transcriptions of corresponding loose-leaf field notes.

- **Folder 1** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2561699>
  - Letter to Charles Sprague Sargent from F.R.S. Baulfour regarding "subscription" to Korea and Formosa expedition.
- **Folder 2** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2640444>
  - Collection notes. [February]-May 6, 1917. Collection numbers: 8000-8415. Okinawa, Liukiu Island, Bonin Island, Hachijo Island.

Arnold Arboretum Library accession number: 39529.

- **Folder 3** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2640445>
  - Collection notes. May 17-December 9, [1917]. Collection numbers: 8216-9637. Korea and Manchuria: Islands of Dagelet, Island of Quelpaert.

Arnold Arboretum Library accession number 39530.

- **Folder 4** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2640446>
  - Collection notes. [January]-June 12, 1918. Collection numbers: 9634-10375. Formosa via Japan, Kyushu Island, Mount Arisan, Mount Morrison.

Arnold Arboretum Library accession number 39531.

- **Folder 5** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2640447>
  - Collection notes. June 17-September 17, 1918. Collection numbers: 10376-10756. Second trip to Korea, Korea to Formosa via Japan.

Arnold Arboretum Library accession number 39532.

- **Folder 6** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2640448>
  - Collection notes. October 20, 1918-January 29, 1919. Collection numbers: 10757-11268. (on spine) Japan and Formosa.

Arnold Arboretum Library accession number 39533.

- **Folder 7** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2561700>
  - "Karama Islands." March 2-6, 1917. (7 pages)
  - Includes typed transcript (draft)
- **Folder 8** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2561701>
  - "Northern Korea." No date. (9 pages)
  - Includes typed transcript (draft)
- **Folder 9** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2561702>
  - "Liukiu." February 25-March 1917. (5 pages)
  - Includes typed transcript (draft)
- **Folder 10** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2561703>
  - "Diamond Mt." October 7-17, 1917. (5 pages)
  - Includes typed transcript (draft)
- **Folder 11** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2561704>
  - "Idzu-Oshima?" (De Vriese Island.) No date. (6 pages)
  - Includes typed transcript (draft)
- **Folder 12** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2561692>
  - "Quelpaert." "Saishu." No date. (3 pages)
  - Includes typed transcript (draft)
- **Folder 13** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2561693>
  - "Kongo-san." [Korea] No date. (6 pages)
  - Includes typed transcript (draft)
- **Folder 14** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2561694>



- "Korean notes in alphabetical sequence removed from diary, Jan. 25, 1918. " A, B, C, Q, P, T only. (23 pages)
  - Includes typed transcript (draft)
- **Folder 15** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2561695>
  - "Yalu Timber Co., Antung." No date. (2 pages)
  - Includes typed transcript (draft)
- **Folder 16** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2561696>
  - "Varieties of Peonies, mountain cult. Yamamoto, near Osaka, May 8, 1918." (3 pages)
  - Includes typed transcript (draft)
- **Folder 17** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2561697>
  - "Chosen, Karamatsu." No date. (6 pages)
  - Includes typed transcript (draft)
- **Folder 18** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2561698>
  - "Formosa." No date. (16 pages)
  - Includes typed transcript (draft)
  - A photocopy of a letter dated November 3, 1909 from Charles Sprague Sargent to Prof. Goodale, regarding Wilson photographs.
- **Box 13**
  - **Folder 1**
    - Transcribed collection notes 8416-9202, May 17-December 9, 1917; 9:2. Wilson's 6th Expedition.
  - **Folder 2**
    - Transcribed collection notes 9203-9637, May 17-December 9, 1917; 9:2. Wilson's 6th Expedition.
  - **Folder 3**
    - Transcribed collection notes 9634-10375, January-June 12, 1918; 9:3. Wilson's 6th Expedition.
  - **Folder 4**

- Transcribed collection notes 10376-10756, June 17- September 17, 1918, 9:4. Wilson's 6th Expedition.
- **Folder 5**
  - Transcribed collection notes 10757-11268, October 20-January 29, 1919, 9:5. Wilson's 6th Expedition.
- **Folder 6**
  - Transcribed collection notes on habitat and plant descriptions. 9:6-9:17. Marked Duplicates. Wilson's 6th Expedition.
- **Folder 7**
  - Transcribed collection notes 9:6-9:17 on habitat and plant descriptions. Wilson's 6th Expedition.
- **Folder 8**
  - Material on funding and contributors of the Wilson expedition for the Arnold Arboretum. Compiled by Sheila Connor, 1979.
- **Folder 9**
  - EHW's itineraries for Japan trip (1914) and Korea (1917-1918) and copies of maps.

**Series W.VIII: Wilson's Visit to "Gardens of the World," October 1920-August 1922**



NOTE: The collection notes in this series are not made in Wilson's handwriting. Picture above: *Areca catechu*. Wilson, Ernest Henry. 1921.

- **Box 14**

- **Folder 1**

- Catalog of the library of the Arnold Arboretum of Harvard University. Selected titles "prepared for Mr. E.H. Wilson to take along on his trip to visit gardens of the world." [Ethelyn Tucker, librarian, Arnold Arboretum, 1921]. Sections include Australia, New Zealand, India and Ceylon, Straits Settlements.

- **Folder 2**

- Alternating diary and collection notes. Australia. "Perth to Westonia." Collection numbers: 1-507. October 21, 1920-November 20, 1920.

- **Folder 3**

- Alternating diary and collection notes. Australia and New Zealand. "'Goolgardie to Widgremootha', Australian trip with Dr. D.A. Herbert", "Hills around Adelaide, S. A.," "New South Wales," "Sydney," "Trip to forest north of Sydney." Collection numbers: 520-717, October 21, 1920-January 9, 1921.

- **Folder 4**
  - Diary notes. Australia and New Zealand. Notes are entered in ledger: "Australian 1921, Rough Diary," January 11, 1921-April 24, 1921.
- **Folder 5**
  - Collection notes on loose leaves. Australia. Bribie Island, Fraser Island, Benarkin, Imbil. Collection numbers: 700-799, May 1921.
- **Folder 6**
  - Diary notes. July 19, 1921-November 1, 1921. "India." Includes inserted loose leaf notes, October 21-November 1, 1921.
- **Folder 7**
  - Notebook. England and France. Includes: "Linnean Herbarium," "Aldenharn Honbi," "Brit. Museum," "Les Barres Arbor," "Edinburgh." Mainly notations on plants and locations with some comments. Includes personal names and addresses. Some shorthand notes. Some notes taken in unknown handwriting, May 31, 1922-July 17, 1922.
- **Folder 8**
  - Notebook. England. Includes: "Wisley," "Hillier's nursery," "Kew," "Lilies in herbarium of Kew." Some notes are entered in the notebook turned around, July 21, 1922-August 11, 1922.
- **Folder 9**
  - "Wilson's African plants." "Identified by R. Marloth, 4/25/23." Notes on one leaf. Collection numbers: 80-430.
- **Folder 10**
  - Accounts. "Account Arnold Arboretum and Baring Bros. & Co., 1921-1922." (2 pages)

#### **Series W.IX: Expedition Photographs in Bound Volumes and Related Materials**

- Shelved volumes
  - Wilson, Ernest Henry. *Vegetation of Western China: A series of 500 photographs with index and an introduction by Charles Sprague Sargent*. London : Printed for the subscribers, 1912.

An index issued to accompany a selection of 500 photographs from his Arnold Arboretum expedition to China, 1907-1909.

- Wilson, Ernest Henry. *Arnold Arboretum Expedition to China, 1907-1909 : photographs*. 1911.

A set of 720 photographic glass plates of trees, forest views, landscapes, villages, and people, which were printed and bound in a six volume set in chronological order. Detailed documentation for each photograph is attached and includes locality, genus species plant name, description of site, tree height and dbh [diameter at breast height], altitude and date, or geographic location in the case of views.

- Wilson, Ernest Henry. *Arnold Arboretum Second Expedition to China, 1910-1911 : photographs*. 1911.

A set of 374 glass plates of trees, forest views, landscapes, villages, and people, which were printed and bound in a three volume set in chronological order. Detailed documentation for each photograph is attached and includes locality, genus species plant name, description of site, tree height and dbh [diameter at breast height], altitude and date, or geographic location in the case of views.

- Wilson, Ernest Henry. *Arnold Arboretum Expedition to Japan, 1914 : photographs*. 1914.

A set of 619 photographic glass plates of trees, forest views, landscapes, villages, and people, which were printed and bound in a six volume set in chronological order. Detailed documentation for each photograph is attached and includes locality, genus species plant name, description of site, tree height and dbh [diameter at breast height], altitude and date, or geographic location in the case of views.

- **Box 15**

- **Folder 1: Photographs of Ernest Henry Wilson taken during Expeditions, Individual and Group**



- *EHW's houseboat "Harvard" used in expedition to China, 1907-1908. Photograph taken in Ichang, China. (1 negative) (Seen above)*
- EHW with two other men in Ichang, China. (1 photograph)
- EHW and Walter Reaves Zappey, who accompanied Wilson on trip, with dogs in China, 1908. (1 photograph)
- EHW in Western China. (1 photograph)
- EHW south of Ichang, January 20, 1909. (3 photographs)
- EHW, Boy, Coolie, and Dog "Major" with 33 ordinary pheasants and 3 Reeves pheasants, February 1, 1909. (2 photographs)
- EHW, Boy, and Coolie with 25 ordinary pheasants, 1909. (2 photographs)
- *Lilium*, Ichang, China. "Packing Lily-bulbs", February 9, 1909. (2 photographs)
- "My Chinese collectors, all faithful and true." Ichang, W. Hupeh. February 15, 1911.
- EHW and the Japan Railway used on expedition in Japan. (2 different photographs)
- EHW in nursery in Japan? (4 different images)
- EHW in Japan. (2 different images)
- EHW with a woman in Japan? (1 photograph)

- EHW with his most efficient Japanese "Boy" Morita (second to right) at a Japanese fruit and vegetable market. (1 photograph)
- EHW and J. Nakai in Oorigong, Japan. (1 photograph)
- Ellen, Muriel, and Amah. Karasawa, Kyoto, Japan, 1913. (1 photograph)
- Ellen Wilson and Muriel in tea ceremony in Tokyo, 1914. (1 photograph)
- Ellen Wilson and Muriel in kimonos, Tokyo, 1914. (2 different photographs)
- Muriel in front of a mirror wearing a kimono, Tokyo, 1914. (1 photograph)
- EHW surrounded by Japanese officials from the forestry department, Korea, 1914. (1 photograph)
- Diamond Mountains in Korea. "Entrance to fairyland." From 1917–1918 expedition. (1 photograph)
- Diamond Mountains in Korea. "The worst is over." From 1917–1918 expedition. (1 photograph)
- A young man with a girl. R. Kanakawa with Muriel? Chosen Hotel Seoul. (1 photograph)
- Ellen Wilson, Muriel, and Payoda at the Xeyasu Shrine, May 13, 1914. (2 different photographs)
- Ellen Wilson and Muriel seated at tables of the garden party at the British Consulate, Seoul, Korea. (1 photograph)
- Ellen Wilson and Muriel in the group photograph of the garden party at the British Consulate, Seoul, Korea. (1 photograph)
- EHW in Korea, 1917. (2 photographs)
- Ellen Wilson with dog and Muriel and two unidentified men in the Diamond Mountains in Korea, 1917-1918. (1 photograph)
- EHW, T. Miyoshi and H. Ushio taken in Kagoshima, presented to Wilson in 1917. (1 photograph)
- EHW with reformed headhunters and armed policemen in the mountains of Formosa, 1918. (2 photographs)
- EHW's collection of herbarium specimens made in Formosa and Korea during 1917 and 1918. Photographed in the atrium, 1st



floor, Herbarium Wing, Hunnewell Building, April 1919. (1 photograph)

- EHW and Formosan officials, no date. (1 photograph)
- "Born Hunters." Two Formosans holding guns. (1 photograph)
- EHW in Tasmania, 1920. (4 different photographs)
- EHW posed with two unidentified men, no date. (1 photograph)
- EHW in Singapore. (1 photograph)
- Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Henry Wilson and Muriel with 3 unidentified women in Asia? (1 photograph)
- **Folder 2**
  - Photographs of herbarium material and labels, summer 1980.
- **Folder 3**
  - Water Lilies and Japanese Iris believed to have been taken in City Park, Springfield, MA, July 10, 1927. (9 different photographs, 2 copies of m447)

NOTE: on Photograph labeled m453—Writing on back of photograph describes this image as "Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, London, England. Water lily pond. Japanese iris in foreground. Your Mother used to play here as a small child." Kew disputes location.

- **Folder 4**
  - IMS Grant for Wilson Archives 1985, and typed notes. *Plant Science Arnold Arboretum Newsletter* v.5(1) Fall/Winter 1985 and v.6(1) Fall/Winter 1985-86.
- **Folder 5**
  - BGBase printout listing all of Wilson's glass plate negatives with modernized nomenclature.
- **Folder 6**
  - "In search of Ernest Henry Wilson – Dec 2002;" DVD-RW, 5 photographs with notes by Dean Ho on recreating Wilson's images, "The Asia Center at Harvard University" brochure that inspired Ho's project.
- **Compact Disc**

- "Wilson Glass Negative Wilson Print Testing 06/01" (Harvard College Library Digital Imaging Group)
- **Mini Compact Disc 1**
  - "Wilson's Sungpan Yesterday ... Today," July 12, 2004. Created by Dean Ho who retraced Wilson's trip to Song Pan in 1910 and re-photographed several of Wilson's landscapes in 2004.
- **Mini Compact Disc 2**
  - "Wilson's Sungpan Yesterday ... Today," July 12, 2004. 2nd copy.
- **Box 16 (oversized)**

Please see Wilson's Photograph Books for accurate documentation. One copy unless otherwise noted.

- **Series Z: Expedition to China 1907-1909.**
  - Z-25. *Pistacia chinensis*. Tree 80 ft. x 12 ft. (male). Near City of Wan Hsien. Yangtsze river, April 1908. (2 copies)
  - Z- 26. *Juniperus chinensis*. Tree 25-30 ft. high. Often planted among graves. Wan Hsien, Yangtsze River, April 1, 1908.
  - Z-29. *Ficus lacor*. Tree 50 ft. x 15 ft. Head 90 ft. through. Wan Hsien, Yangtsze River, April 1, 1908 (BGBase Acc 1973). (2 copies—both missing from box.)
  - Z-39. *Ficus lacor*. Tree 40 ft. x 12 ft. Head 60 ft. through. With shrine and opium poppy, April 16, 1908. (5 copies, a)from 35mm negative b)digitized from glass plate—all missing from box.)
  - Z-58. *Pterocarya stenoptera*. Typical farm-house on Chentu Plain with Cypress and Bamboos, May 14, 1908 (BGBase Acc 2002). (2 copies)
  - Z-91. Vidam groups of Bom-Po (Phallic) religion. Tunglin shan Temple, May 31, 1908 (BGBase Acc 2035).
  - Z-101. *Machilus bournei*. Temple with Bamboo and Nanmu trees. 2700 ft., June 16, 1908 (BGBase Acc 2045).
  - Z-102. The An-Lan chio. Bamboo suspension bridge 300 yards long, June 16, 1908 (BGBase Acc 2046).
  - Z-106. Hsuan Kou. Typical riverine village of western Szechuan, June 17, 1908 (BGBase Acc 2050). (2 copies)

- Z-110. *Lilium giganteum*. White flowers. Niu-tou-shan, June 20, 1908 (BGBase Acc 2054). (2 copies)
- Z-128. *Primula veitchii*. At home. Flowers rosy pink. Alt. 11,500 ft., June 23, 1908 (BGBase Acc 2072).
- Z-129. *Cypripedium tibeticum*. At home. Flowers dark red. Alt. 11,500 ft., June 23, 1908 (BGBase Acc 2073).
- Z-130. *Cypripedium tibeticum*. At home. Flowers dark red. Uplands Pan-lan-shan, June 23, 1908 (BGBase Acc 2074). (2 copies)
- Z-132. *Primula*. Combined Hostel and Temple, June 23, 1908 (BGBase Acc 2076). (2 copies)
- Z-137. *Meconopsis integrifolia*. Miscellaneous alpine flowers. Uplands Pan-lan-shan. Alt. 13,000 ft., June 24, 1908 (BGBase Acc 2081).
- Z-169. *Picea retroflexa*. Tree 60 to 70 ft. x 5 to 8 ft. Forests of Ta-pao-shan. Alt. 10,500 ft., July 5, 1908.
- Z-193. *Larix potaninii*. "Batalin" Tree 60 ft. x 8 ft. Forests of the Ta-pao-shan, July 7, 1908.
- Z-194. *Rheum alexandrae*. Flowers pale yellow spikes 3 ft. 6 in. high and *Primula involucrata*. 13,000 ft., July 7, 1908 (BGBase Acc 2138).
- Z-197. View of snow-clad peaks 21,000 ft. or more, July 7, 1908 (BGBase Acc 2141).
- Z-199. View of snow-clad peaks 21,000 ft. or more, July 7, 1908 (BGBase Acc 2143).
- Z-204. Caravan and gear which crossed from Kuan Hsien to Tachien-lu, July 9, 1908 (BGBase Acc 2148).
- Z-218. The Ya-chia-k'an snows and alpine region, July 19, 1908 (BGBase Acc 2162).

NOTE: Z-218 and Z-219 mounted on same board, both images reversed.

- Z-219. Tachien-lu and site of ancient town demolished by landslide, July 27, 1908 (BGBase Acc 2163).
- Z-244. Slate slabs with figures of Buddha and the mystic prayer, "Om ...," July 29, 1908 (BGBase Acc 2188). (3 copies)

- Z-246. *Lilium thayerae* growing in a garden. Alt. 8,400 ft., July 30, 1908 (BGBase Acc 2190). (2 copies)
- Z-248. View in ravine of the Tachien-lu river. This stream falls 4,000 ft. in less than 20 miles. Alt. 6,000 ft., July 30, 1908 (BGBase Acc 2192). (2 copies)
- Z-249. Men laden with "Brick Tea." One man's load weighs 317 lbs., July 30, 1908 (BGBase Acc 2193). (3 copies, 1 negative)
- Z-270. *Diospyros lotus*. Tree 80 ft. x 12 ft. Foot of Fei-Yueh-Ling, August 3, 1908. (2 copies)
- Z-279. Ching chi Hsien from distance. Ta-Hsien-ling Mountains in mists, August 5, 1908. (3 copies)
- Z-285. *Nelumbium speciosum*. Flowers pink in pond. Alt. 2,000 ft., August 10, 1908 (BGBase Acc 2229).
- Z-286. "Pai-lu" memorial arch to memory of a virtuous widow, a common wayside feature of the west, August 10, 1908. (3 copies)
- Z-291. Pavilion with ornate stone pillars. Alt. 1,700 ft. Ching Yang Temple, August 18, 1908 (BGBase Acc 2235). (3 copies)
- Z-297. *Broussonetia papyrifera* in the foreground. Alt. 1,700 ft., August 22, 1908 (BGBase Acc 2241).
- Z-299. *Machilus bourniei*. Pavilion side of river with Bamboo and Nanmu trees. Alt. 1,700 ft., August 24, 1908 (BGBase Acc 2243).
- Z-324. Hamlet of Ping-ling-shih with Mt. Wa-wu in the distance. Alt. 31,350 ft., September 8, 1908 (BGBase Acc 2268).
- Z-329. Summit of Mt. Wa-wu. *Abies Delavayi*, September 10, 1908.
- Z-385. *Ormosia hosiei*. Sedan chair, November 11, 1908 (BGBase Acc 2329).
- Z-402. Foot of Ting Shin Shan, W. Szechuan. View of ravine, showing house and general vegetation. Alt. 5,000 ft., October 28, 1908.
- Z-405. British Consulate, Chentu. Center: EHW, November 4, 1908 (BGBase Acc 2349). (2 copies)

- Z-408. Collection of rare and valuable vases, November 4, 1908 (BGBase Acc 2352).
- Z-419. Collection of valuable porcelain, property of Prof. Smith, November 19, 1908 (BGBase Acc 2363). (3 copies)
- Z-420. Collection of valuable porcelain, property of Mr. Kung. November 9, 1908 (BGBase Acc 2364). (2 copies)
- Z-432. Raft used for navigating the shallow and rapid Ya River, built of *Bambusa vulgaris* stems, also bag of 53 duck and miscellaneous birds, December 9, 1908.
- Z-436. "The Harvard boat with boy and boat captain on roof." Kiating Fu, December 13, 1908 (BGBase Acc 2380).
- Z-450. Mantzu cave with ornate facade, fashioned by a race now extinct, December 22, 1908 (BGBase Acc 2394). (3 copies)
- Z-472. *Xylosma congestum*. Pubescens tree 55 x 6 ft. With snow planted among graves, January 20, 1909 (BGBase Acc 2394).
- Z-484. General view of country to the south of Ichang, January 21, 1909. (2 copies)
- Z-589. Packing lily-bulbs. Ichang, February 2, 1909. (2 copies, image reversed on 1)
- Z-600. EHW and boy with pheasants, 1909.
- Z-635. *Ulmus parvifolia*. Tree 25 ft. x 6 ft., *Dalbergia hupeana*, Hance on tomb, February 27, 1909.
- Z-639. Tomb with stone effigies of horses, tigers, cats, deer, men, etc. with a temple, February 28, 1909. (2 copies)
- Z-644. Ichang Fu, W. Hupeh, March 1, 1909.
- Z-697. *Davidia sp.*, no date.
- Z-711. Native craft lined up in tiers. March 3, 1908 (BGBase Acc 2755).
- Z-713. *Primula sinensis*. Flowers mauve pink, at home, limestone cliffs. Alt. 120 ft., March 5, 1908 (BGBase Acc 2757).
- No number. "The Harvard" with crew, December 13, 1908. (3 copies).

○ **Box 17 (oversized)**

▪ **Folder 1: Series N: Expedition to Eastern Asia, 1917-1919**

- N-15. Liukiu houses, East Asia, February 26, 1917.
- N-89. Haha-jima (west coast) from Nagaphama, Muko-jima on horizon, April 27, 1917 (BGBase Acc 89).
- N-111. Oo-ryong-too (Dagelet Island) northeast coast, general view, June 1, 1917 (BGBase Acc 111).
- N-134. Dodo, chief port of Oo-ryong-too (Dagelet Island), June 15, 1917 (BGBase Acc 134).
- N-311. *Quercus glauca*. Vegetation on Quelpaert Island, with *Quercus glandulifera*, November 2, 1917 (BGBase Acc 311).
- N-585. *Pinus densiflora*. On cliffs, broad-leafed trees in foreground, September 11, 1918 (BGBase Acc 585).

▪ **Folder 2. Series X: Expedition to Japan, 1914**

- X-140. *Prunus subhirtella* var. *pendula* Tanaka. Tree 30 ft. x 10 ft.; crown 50ft. through. Kogetsu Temple, Ongata village, near Tokyo. Arnold Arboretum Expedition to Japan, 1914, volume 5, p. 442, April 1, 1914.
- X-317. *Pinus thunbergii*. With four *Pinus densiflora*. S. and Z. in foreground, sandstone, June 30, 1914 (BGBase Acc 1268). (2 copies)
- X-335. *Pinus thunbergii*. Furo-zan, remarkable cliffs of gray limestone, July 8, 1914 (BGBase Acc 1286). (2 copies)
- X-394. Unidentified. (2 copies)
- X-564. *Sciadopitys verticillata* var. *Pendula* 80 ft. x 9 ft. With down-curved branches; habit very unusual (BGBase Acc 1515). (2 copies)
- X-603. *Ginkgo biloba*. 50 ft. x 30 ft. (BGBase Acc 1554). (2 copies)

▪ **Series O: Expedition to China, 1910-1911**

- O-2. View across the Yangtze River opposite Ichang with net and small boats used in fishing with otters, February 22, 1911 (BGBase Acc 1572).
- O-11. View of terraced hills and cliffs, no identifying information.

- O-18. *Cornus kousa*. A branch, flowers 5 inches across. Alt. 3,500 ft., June 6, 1910 (BGBase Acc 1588). (2 copies)
- O-19. *Rosa multiflora* var. *cathayensis*. A fine form with pink flowers, side of stream, June 6, 1910 (BGBase Acc 1589). (2 copies)
- O-20. A yellow man's burden! Weight about 267 lbs., June 6, 1910 (BGBase Acc 1590). (3 copies)
- O-29. *Gleditsia macracantha*. Farmhouse with Bamboo and "soap" tree, February 23, 1911. (2 copies)
- O-54. Our lodgings. Peasant's home at Hsien-tien-tsu, June 11, 1910 (BGBase Acc 1624). (2 copies)
- O-72. General view of country in northwest Hupeh. Peaks 5,000 ft., June 14, 1910 (BGBase Acc 1642).
- O-84. Hostel Fang-hsien, Hupeh, June 15, 1910.
- O-100. Hostel hotel of Hsao-lung t'ang. Alt. 7,000 ft. With bee hives, June 16, 1910 (BGBase Acc 1670).
- O-114. *Liriodendron chinense*. Tree 60 ft. x 7 ft., June 21, 1910. (2 copies)
- O-135. *Rheum officinale*. Cultivated for medicine. Alt. 6,000 ft., June 24, 1910 (BGBase Acc 1705). (2 copies)
- O-140. View near Hupeh—Szechuan boundary from Szechuan side, June 24, 1910 (BGBase Acc 1710).
- O-143. General view, limestone cliffs 3,000 ft. above camera, June 24, 1910 (BGBase Acc 1713).
- O-151. Wayside shrine with votive offerings to tutelary genius, June 25, 1910 (BGBase Acc 1721).
- O-159. Some inhabitants of Taning Hsien, victims of their own curiosity, June 27, 1910. (3 copies)
- O-167. *Salix babylonica* and bridge. Pine woods beyond. Alt. 1,000 ft. June 29, 1910 (BGBase Acc 1737). (2 copies)
- O-172. *Thea sinensis*. An ordinary plantation, bushes 3-5 ft. high, Grove of Bamboo. June 29, 1910 (BGBase Acc 1742). (2 copies)
- O-185. *Eucommia ulmoides*. Man carrying load of Tu-chang bark, a valued tonic medicine, July 1, 1910 (BGBase Acc 1755).

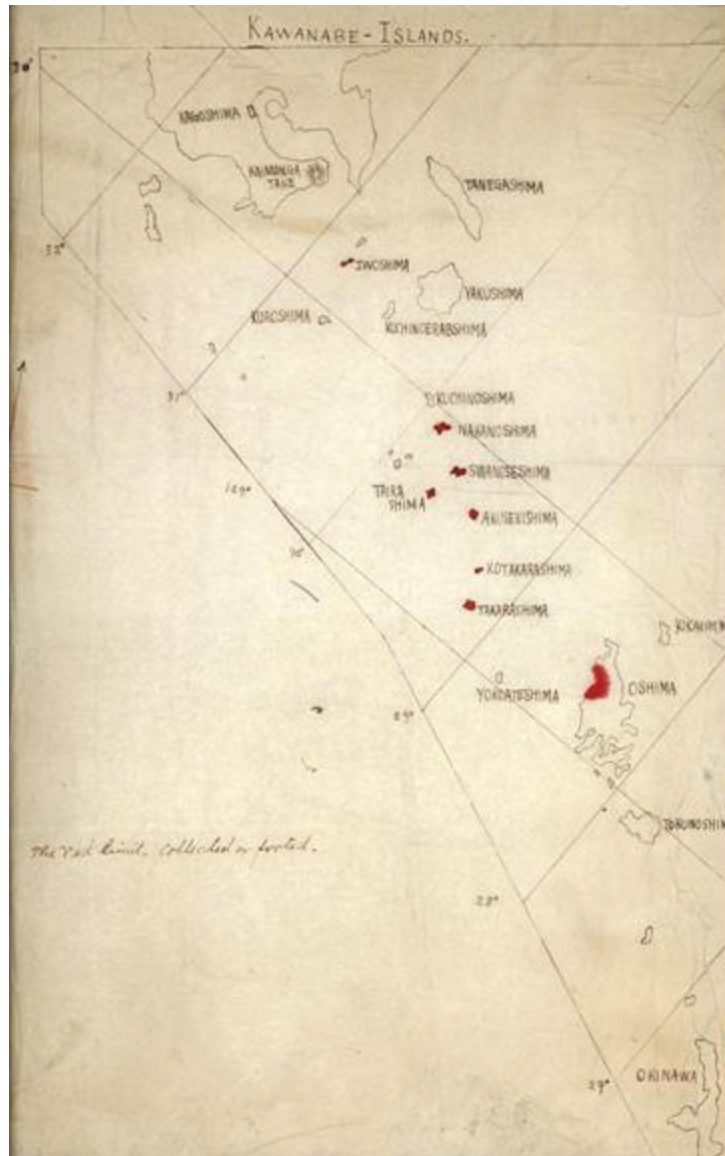


- O-188. Exit from natural tunnel 50 yards long. Alt. 2,500 ft., July 1, 1911 (BGBase Acc 1758).
- O-193. "A study in architecture," castle of rich family named T'ao, July 2, 1910 (BGBase Acc 1763).
- O-201. North Central Szechuan, cliff in red sandstone region. Tung-Haiang Hsien, Alt. 2,500 ft., July 6, 1910. (missing from box)
- O-203. *Lilium formosum*. At home on sandstone cliff. Alt. 2,500 ft., July 9, 1910 (BGBase Acc 1773).
- O-214. *Pistacia chinensis*. Sandstone bridge with Cypress and Bamboo. Alt 2,100 ft. July 14, 1910 (BGBase Acc 1784).
- O-215. *Lilium formosum*. Flowers, white, interior suffused with yellow. Alt 2,100 ft., July 14, 1910 (BGBase Acc 1785). (2 copies)
- O-217. Teng-Kou covering an O-me-to-fu stone, covered by hats to keep off sun and rain, July 15, 1910.
- O-221 *Albizzia kalkora*. Tree 70 ft. x 10 ft. With corn-stack in foreground to right, July 17, 1910 (BGBase Acc 1791). (2 copies)
- O-232. *Sapindus mukorossii*. Tree 80 ft. x 12 ft. With small pagoda and inn. Alt. 2,100 ft., July 21, 1910 (BGBase Acc 1802). (2 copies)
- O-234. *Platycodon grandiflorum*. Field cultivated for medicinal purposes. Alt. 1,900 ft., July 25, 1910 (BGBase Acc 1804). (2 copies)
- O-242. Machine used for spinning cotton, with peasant woman in holiday dress, February 6, 1910 (BGBase Acc 1812). (2 copies)
- O-255. View from Peh-yang-chang looking in direction of Sungpan. August 16, 1910 (BGBase Acc 1825).
- O-256. *Buddleia davidii*. Bush 6 ft., flowers rich violet purple. Alt. 5,000 ft. August 16, 1910 (BGBase Acc 1826).
- O-259. Bamboo suspension bridge 65 yards long. Alt. 2,700 ft. August 12, 1910 (BGBase Acc 1829). (2 copies)
- O-260. Showing structure of Bamboo suspension bridge, August 12, 1910 (BGBase Acc 1830).

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- O-273. *Lilium brownii*. Flowers white, red-purple without. Alt. 7,000 ft., August 16, 1910 (BGBase Acc 1843).
- O-284. *Gentiana*. A beautiful plant with carmine red flowers. Alt. 9,000 ft. August 21, 1910 (BGBase Acc 1854).
- O-296. The hostel of San-chia-tsze. Alt. 12,500 ft., August 23, 1910 (BGBase Acc 1866).
- O-311. View of Sungpan valley looking north from east gate, September 25, 1910 (BGBase Acc 1881).
- O-319. Two peasants, tribesmen, on to right. *Sifau*, August 25, 1910 (BGBase Acc 1889).
- O-341. "Indispensables." Men laden with sandals made from Bamboo, August 31, 1910 (BGBase Acc 1911).
- O-342. Tea for Sung-Pan market, Min Valley, August 31, 1910.
- O-356. "My Chinese collectors, all faithful and true, Ichang," February 15, 1911 (BGBase Acc 1926).
- O-362. E. Hupeh, "The ford of Kiu-Ling (Yo-Chow) entrance to Tung-Ting Lake with lake craft," February 26, 1911.
- O-363. The Treaty port of Shasi on Yangtze River, 900 miles from mouth, February 25, 1911.
- O-367. Boats and nets used in fishing with otters, February 23, 1911 (BGBase Acc 1937).
- O-368. Otter used locally in fishing, February 23, 1911 (BGBase Acc 1938). (2 copies)

### **Series W.X: Maps and Travel Handbooks**



○ **Box 18**

▪ **Folder 1**

- China. Map of Western Hupeh and Szechuan. Photographic reproduction of map with caption: "A naturalist in Western China." EHW's travel route marked, no date.

▪ **Folder 2**

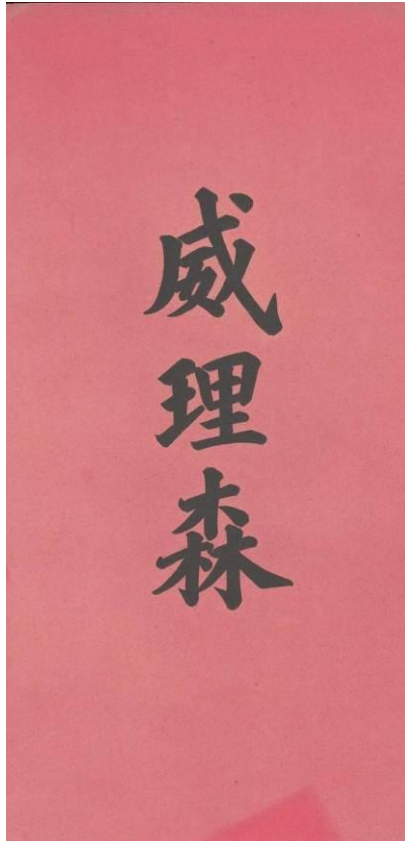
- Area map of Szechuan. Photographic reproduction, no date.

▪ **Folder 3**

- Enlarged area map of Szechuan. Photographic reproduction, no date.
- **Folder 4**
  - Korea. "Map of Chosen Railways." Two identical maps. One of the maps has notations in EHW's handwriting.
- **Folder 5**
  - Japan. "Imperial government railways." Railroad map with areas circled. No date.
- **Folder 6**
  - *Hand-drawn map of "Kawanabe-Islands" with notation: "The red limit, collected or footed." No date. (Seen above)*
- **Folder 7**
  - "Arisan railway, Formosa," published by Arisan Forestry Bureau, 1913.
- **Folder 8**
  - "Formosa (or Taiwan)." Travel handbook with map, published by Japan Tourist Bureau, Formosa, 1916.
- **Folder 9**
  - "General map showing the geological formation and mineral distribution of Formosa, Japan." Published by Bureau of Productive Industries, Formosan Government, 1909. Notations on minerals by Wilson.
- **Folder 10**
  - New Zealand. "Map of the South Island." Reverse side shows: "Map of the North Island," no date.
- **Folder 11**
  - Australia. "Map of Western Australia," 1920.
- **Folder 12**
  - India. "India showing railways." Map prepared for Newman's Indian Bradshaw, 1920. Some notations in EHW's handwriting.
- **Folder 13**

- "The distribution of the trees in Kuishu" by J. Miyoshi, with letter to EHW, dated November 5, 1915. (Added to Wilson papers, 1989.)
- **Folder 14**
  - "Forest distribution in Chosen." Keijyo, 1915. (Added to Wilson papers, 1989.)
- **Folder 15 [OVERSIZE]**
  - "Map of the island of Kang-Hwa and surrounding territory" (Added to Wilson papers, 2014.)
- **Folder 16 [OVERSIZE]**
  - "Kongōsan = Keum-gang-san." 1947. Tokyo: Rikuchi Sokuryōbu, Taishō 6. (Added to Wilson papers, 2021.) [Catalog record](#).

**Series W.XI: Legal Documents for Expeditions, 1899-1910**



- **Box 18**
  - **Folder 1** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2551891>

- Certificate of Registration. Issued by the British Consulate in Chungking, 1903. In English.
- **Folder 2** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2551892>
  - Certificate of Registration. Issued by the British Consulate in Ichang, 1904.
- **Folder 3** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2576121>
  - Agreement between EHW and a Chinese assistant "Boy-Cook," written in English and Chinese. The English version is written in Wilson's hand, 1904.
- **Folder 4** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2551893>
  - Copy of a letter from the Prince of Ching to Mr. Fletcher concerning a permit for EHW to export stuffed bird skins from China. In English. Dated November 5, 1907.
- **Folder 5** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2551894>
  - *Four red calling cards EHW used in China, spelling his name phonetically. One 8x10 black and white print of Wilson's calling card. (Seen above)*
- **Folder 6** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2551895>
  - USDA Official Papers for Agricultural Explorer for EHW. October 28, 1913.
  - Letter of Introduction from the American Embassy in Japan. February 5, 1914.
- **Folder 7** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2551896>
  - Chinese Travel Documents (Railway Tickets?)
- **Folder 8**
  - Permission to export from Southern Rhodesia, January 18, 1922.
  - Receipts of purchased goods, 1909, 1922.
- **Box 18 (Oversize)**
  - **Folder 1** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2553659>
    - Travel permit issued in Canton, 1899.
  - **Folder 2** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2553660>

- Travel permit issued in 1899 for travels in Yunnan.
- **Folder 3** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2553661>
  - Travel permit issued in Hupeh province, 1900.
- **Folder 4** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2553662>
  - Travel permit issued in Ichang, 1900. (Framed, digital copy on wall across from the Library office.) Translation of this document is available in Folder 4.
- **Folder 5** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2553663>
  - Travel document issued for a Chinese assistant in Ichang, 1900.
- **Folder 6** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2553664>
  - Similar document for another Chinese assistant, 1900.
- **Folder 7** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2553665>
  - Travel document issued for a Chinese assistant, 1901.
- **Folder 8** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2553666>
  - Travel permit issued for EHW and Walter Reaves Zappey. The permit includes permission to carry hunting guns and cartridges. Ichang, 1908. (Framed, digital copy on wall across from the Library office.)
- **Folder 9** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2553667>
  - Travel permit issued in Peking, 1910. A translation is available in this folder. (Framed, digital copy on wall across from the Library office.)
- **Folder 10** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2593143>
  - Four identical "Notice to the Public" documents (in Chinese). Chungking, 1910.

## **Series W.XII: Manuscripts: 1903-1904**

### ○ **Box 18**

- **Folder 1** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2551897>
  - "Chungking," May 22-June 19, 1903. (82 pages in two parts)
- **Folder 2** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2551898>

- "Kiating to Washan: en route to Tatieu-lu," June 23-June 30, 1903. (16 pages)
- **Folder 3** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2551899>
  - "Fulin to the Tung Valley: en route to Tatieu-lu," July 8-July 11, 1903. (10 pages)
- **Folder 4** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2551900>
  - "Wa-ssu kuo to Tatieu-lu," July 14, 1903. (3 pages)
- **Folder 5** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2551901>
  - "A stretch of the Tung Valley," no date. (5 pages)
- **Folder 6** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2551902>
  - "The Min Valley: Kuan Hsien to Sungpan Ting," August 17-August 20, 1903. (17 pages).
  - "The Min Valley: Kuan Hsien to Sungpan Ting," August 22-August 27, 1903. (14 pages)
- **Folder 7** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2551903>
  - "Chentu to Sungpan via Sun...?" August 15-23, 1904. (13 pages)
- **Folder 8** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2551904>
  - "Lungan-Fu Song?" Sungpan, August 24-31, 1904. (19 pages)
- **Folder 9** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2551905>
  - Untitled manuscript containing general lecture on China, no date. (28 pages).
  - Typed copy of the same lecture, no date.

#### **Series W.XIII: Unpublished Manuscript and Related Correspondence, 1928-present**

##### ○ **Box 19**

- **Folder 1**
  - Manuscript to the unpublished "Wilson plants in cultivation." (2 photocopies of the original typed manuscript.) Table of contents/index compiled by Richard Howard. (Received March 1989.) One copy of Wilson manuscript given by Barbara Abbott to Arboretum while Peter Ashton was director.



- **Box 20**

Correspondence with horticulturists in England and one French gardener. Each folder contains all or part of the following: a) a letter from the horticulturist, b) a copy of letter from Wilson to the person who filled in the questionnaire, c) a questionnaire. Correspondents are listed alphabetically.

- **Folder 1a**
  - Balfour, F.R.S.
- **Folder 2a, b, c**
  - Bean, W.J.
- **Folder 3a, b, c**
  - Beckett, Edwin.
- **Folder 4a, c**
  - Besant, J.W.
- **Folder 5a, c**
  - Chenault, Leon.
- **Folder 6a, c**
  - Clarke, S.R.
- **Folder 7c**
  - (No name) "Edinburgh."
- **Folder 8c**
  - Eley, Charles.
- **Folder 9a**
  - Hillier & Sons.
- **Folder 10a, b, c**
  - Johnston, George.
- **Folder 11a, b, c**
  - Loder, Gerald W.
- **Folder 12a**

- John Sterling (Pollok House).
- **Folder 13a**
  - McDonall, Kenneth.
- **Folder 14a, b, c**
  - McLaren, H.D. The letter from EHW to McLaren in this folder contains the following sentence: "Since we started last November [1928] we have covered about 225 plants with about 1000 more to go."
- **Folder 15a, c**
  - Millais, J.G.
- **Folder 16a, b, c**
  - Moore, H.A.
- **Folder 17a, b**
  - Ramsden, Sir John.
- **Folder 18a, b, c**
  - Williams, J.C.
- **Folder 19a, b, c**
  - Williams, P.D.
- **Folder 20**
  - A typed manuscript on the Rhododendrons of Western China.
- **Folder 21**
  - Copy of typed manuscript in Folder 20.
- **Folder 22**
  - Notes on Lily observations, in EHW's handwriting.
- **Folder 23**
  - A list of plants, in EHW's handwriting. The list is selected from Wilson's collection numbers: 300-1848 (*Ardisia-Aconitum*).
- **Folder 24**
  - List of plantings; possibly in EHW's handwriting, 1913-1916.

- **Folder 25a**
  - Four letters from George H.M. Lawrence, Bailey Hortorium, to George Slate (Wilson's son-in-law). This folder also contains two copies of George Slate's letters to Lawrence.
- **Folder 26**
  - Copy of a letter from Richard Howard to Norton Batkin, suggesting illustrations in the proposed "Wilson plants in cultivation." "E.H. Wilson and the 'Nodding Lilac'—Yearbook of the Lilac Society." By Richard A. Howard.
- **Box 20**
  - **Folder 27**
    - Correspondence between Stephen A. Spongberg and Robert E. Cook relating to EHW's unpublished manuscript.
    - Copy of Spongberg's working manuscript based on EHW's unpublished manuscript.

**Series W.XIV: Ernest Henry Wilson Correspondence, 1899-1930.**

This correspondence series is divided into six subseries: A-F. Boxes: 15-19.

- **Subseries W.XIV:A: Letters written by Ernest Henry Wilson in the field to the Arnold Arboretum. Most of the letters are addressed to Charles Sprague Sargent; a few are addressed to Alfred Rehder. Arranged chronologically. 1906-1922.**
  - **Box 21**

NOTE: Folders 8-10 contain letters written by Wilson during his sixth expedition to the Far East. 1917-1919. (67 letters total)

NOTE: Folders 11-15 contain letters written by Wilson to the Arnold Arboretum during his expedition to the Southern Hemisphere. "The Gardens of the World." 1920-1922. (87 letters total)

- **Folder 1**
  - From London and Kew, May-September 1906. (9 letters)  
Handwritten version:  
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Transcribed version:  
<http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:4516632>
- **Folder 2**

- From Oakland, CA, January 1907. (1 letter)  
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Transcribed version:  
<http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:4646393>
  
- **Folder 3**
  - From China, February-December 1907. (17 letters)  
Handwritten version:  
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Transcribed version:  
<http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:4646395>
  
- **Folder 4**
  - From China, January 1908-April 1909. (29 letters)  
(Includes copy of letter to Messrs. Veitch, 1909)  
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- **Folder 5**
  - From England, 1909. (12 letters)  
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<http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:4669677>
  
- **Folder 6**
  - From China, June 1910-February 1911. (13 letters)  
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<http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:4676289>
  
- **Folder 7**
  - From Japan, February 1914-January 1915. (34 letters)  
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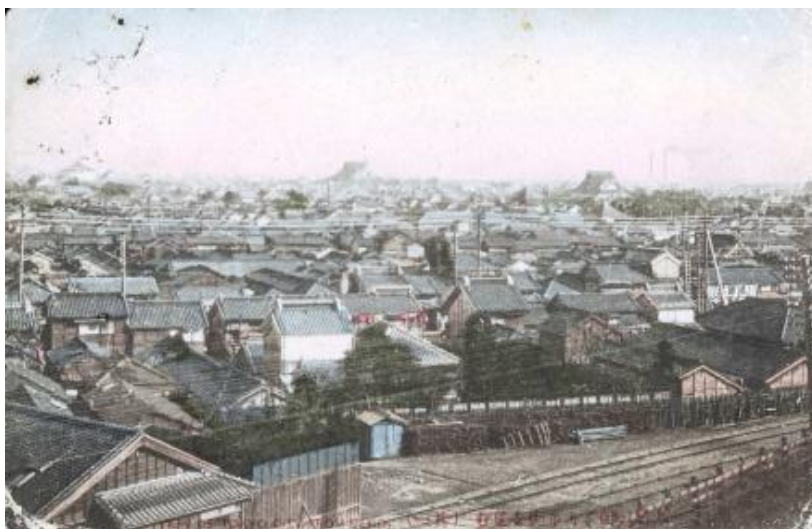
- **Folder 8**
  - To Charles Sprague Sargent and Alfred Rehder, 1917. (19 letters)  
Handwritten version:  
<http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2562600>  
Transcribed version:  
<http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:4677654>
- **Folder 9**
  - To Charles Sprague Sargent and Alfred Rehder, 1918. (41 letters)  
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<http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2562601>  
Transcribed version:  
<http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:4692499>
- **Folder 10**
  - To Charles Sprague Sargent, 1919. (7 letters)  
Handwritten version:  
<http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2562602>  
Transcribed version:  
<http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:4695651>
- **Folder 11**
  - From England and Australia, 1920. (20 letters)
- **Folder 12**
  - From Australia and New Zealand, 1921. (20 letters)
- **Folder 13**
  - From India, 1921. (17 letters)
- **Folder 14**
  - From South Africa, November 1921-1922. (9 letters)
- **Folder 15**
  - From England, 1922. (21 letters)
- **Box 22**
  - Spiral bound transcriptions of letters for the years: 1906-1922, 1914-1915, 1917-1919. Duplicate transcriptions of letters for the years: 1906-1908, 1910, 1914, 1917-1918.

**Subseries W.XIV:B: Letters received by EHW from James, Harry J., and George H. Veitch, 1899-1913. Arranged chronologically**

- **Box 23**

- **Folder 1** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2449489>
  - From James Veitch, 1899-1902. (36 letters)
  - Torn newspaper clippings. One dated February 23, 1901.
- **Folder 2** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2449490>
  - From James Veitch, 1903. (12 letters)
- **Folder 3** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2449491>
  - From James Veitch, 1904. (12 letters)
- **Folder 4** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2449492>
  - From James Veitch, 1905-1907. (4 letters)
- **Folder 5** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2449493>
  - From Harry J. Veitch, 1906-1913. (10 letters)
- **Folder 6**
  - From George Harrow Veitch, 1913. (3 letters) (EHW comment on July 4 letter)
- **Folder 7**
  - Golden Wedding Commemoration Studio Card with Portrait Photographs of Sir Harry and Lady Veitch, 1917.

**Subseries W.XIV:C: Letters (copies) and postcards written by Ernest Henry Wilson, 1907-1910, 1922-1930**



In some cases Wilson's letter is copied on verso of a letter received. In other cases Wilson's letter is filed with a letter received. One or two letters unless otherwise indicated. Arranged alphabetically.

- **Box 24**
  - **Folder 1**
    - Allanson, H.E., Washington D.C.: 1925.
  - **Folder 2**
    - Ames, Oakes: 1928-1930. (8 letters)
  - **Folder 3**
    - Anderson, M.S., GA: 1930. (3 letters)
  - **Folder 4**
    - Besant, J.W.: 1929.
  - **Folder 5**
    - Burtnett, G.B., Los Angeles, CA: 1928.
  - **Folder 6**
    - Christophersen, Erling, Norway: 1928.
  - **Folder 7**
    - Coville, Frederick V., Washington, DC: 1925.
  - **Folder 8**

- Dewar, Alex P., Boston, MA: 1929.
- **Folder 9**
  - Dodwell and Co., Shanghai: 1907.
- **Folder 10**
  - Eastwood, Alice, San Francisco: 1930.
- **Folder 11**
  - Fairchild, David, Washington, DC: 1907.
- **Folder 12**
  - Farquhar, Boston: 1908-1909.
- **Folder 13**
  - Grove, A., London: 1928-1929. (3 letters)
- **Folder 14**
  - Hoffman, Arthur C., Rochester, NY: 1928.
- **Folder 15**
  - Hooper, G., Sydney, New South Wales: 1926.
- **Folder 16**
  - Horsford, C.P., VT: 1928-1930. (11 Letters)
- **Folder 17**
  - Houghton Mifflin Co., Boston, MA: 1929.
- **Folder 18**
  - Hunt, B.W., University of Georgia: 1930.
- **Folder 19**
  - Kneass, S., Sewickley, PA: 1930.
- **Folder 20**
  - Long, E., India: 1930. (5 letters)
- **Folder 21**
  - Marshall, W.E., New York, NY: 1929.



- **Folder 22**
  - Meyer, Frank: 1907. (4 letters)
- **Folder 23**
  - Nakai, T.: 1929.
- **Folder 24**
  - Napier, George F., England: 1930.
- **Folder 25**
  - Palmer, E.J., MO: 1928.
- **Folder 26**
  - Perry, Joseph H., Worcester, MA: 1928-1929.
- **Folder 27**
  - Ripley, Charles, Dorchester, MA: 1926, 1930.
- **Folder 28**
  - Rock, J.F., China: 1927. (6 letters)
- **Folder 29**
  - Rockwill, William W., Peking: 1907.
- **Folder 30**
  - Royal Horticultural Society: 1927.
- **Folder 31**
  - Smith, W. Wright, Edinburgh: 1924-1928.
- **Folder 32**
  - Taylor, John H., Harvard University: 1928-1929.
- **Folder 33**
  - Thayer, John E., Boston: 1922.
- **Folder 34**
  - Tutchter, W.J., Hong Kong: 1910.
- **Folder 35**

- White, C.T., Brisbane, Australia: 1922-1928.
- **Folder 36**
  - Willmott, E., England: 1908-1909.
- **Folder 37**
  - Wilson, Mrs. Ernest Henry: 1917. (3 postcards)
- **Folder 38**
  - Yokohama Nurseries, Japan: 1919-1930. (5 letters).

**Subseries W.XIV:D: Official correspondence with the administration of Harvard University during Ernest Henry Wilson's months of working as "assistant director in charge," after Charles Sprague Sargent's death in 1927.**

- **Box 24**
  - **Folder 1**
    - Ames, Oakes: 1927.
  - **Folder 2**
    - Harvard University: March-May 1927.

**Subseries W.XIV:E: Letters received by Ernest Henry Wilson and Mrs. Wilson: 1906, 1907, 1916-1930. One or two letters from each correspondent, unless otherwise indicated. Arranged alphabetically.**

- **Box 24A**
  - **Folder 1**
    - Ames, John S.: 1920.
  - **Folder 2**
    - Balfour, F.R.S.: 1911, 1913.
  - **Folder 3**
    - Bangs, Outram: 1906.
  - **Folder 4**
    - Bean, W.J.: 1910, 1912-1913, 1916.
  - **Folder 5**

- Bobbink, L.C., 1930.
- **Folder 6**
  - Botanic Garden Society, Sydney, 1921. (correspondent's name illegible)
- **Folder 7**
  - Boyd, James, Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, 1927.
- **Folder 8**
  - Candler, Thomas H.: 1909.
- **Folder 9**
  - Clements, V.: 1925.
- **Folder 10**
  - Compton, R.H.: 1923.
- **Folder 11**
  - Converse, Myron F.: 1930.
- **Folder 12**
  - Corville, F.Y.: 1925.
- **Folder 13**
  - Craig, William N.: 1929.
- **Folder 14**
  - Dunn, S.T.: 1903.
- **Folder 15**
  - Dykes, W.
- **Folder 16**
  - Eley, Charles: 1916.
- **Folder 17**
  - Elwes, H.J.: 1913.
- **Folder 18**

- Emperor of Japan, 1917.
- **Folder 19**
  - Evans, I.P.
- **Folder 20**
  - Farquhar, John K.M.L.: 1921.
- **Folder 21**
  - Ferguson, J.C.: 1926.
- **Folder 22**
  - Fletcher: 1907.
- **Folder 23**
  - Forrest, George E.: 1915?
- **Folder 24**
  - Fuller, Alvan: 1926.
- **Folder 25**
  - Gable, Joseph B.: 1927-1928.
- **Folder 26**
  - Harrow, George: 1909.
- **Folder 27**
  - Hemsley, W. Botting: 1912.
- **Folder 28**
  - Henshaw, Samuel: 1914.
- **Folder 29**
  - Henry, Augustine: 1927-1928.
- **Folder 30**
  - Herbst Brothers: 1929.
- **Folder 31**
  - Hoitt, C.W.: 1922.

- **Folder 32**
  - Holworthy, Charles E.: 1907.
- **Folder 33**
  - Hooker, Sir J.D.: 1911.
- **Folder 34**
  - Hubbard, I.S.: 1924.
- **Folder 35**
  - Jacob, Adolf: 1931.
- **Folder 36**
  - Laney, C.C.: 1924.
- **Folder 37**
  - Loder, Gerard W.: 1922.
- **Folder 38**
  - Marloth, R.: 1919.
- **Folder 39**
  - Masters, Maxwell: 1906.
- **Folder 40**
  - McFarland, J. Horace: 1930.
- **Folder 41**
  - Meyer, Frank J.: 1907-1908.
- **Folder 42**
  - Millais, John J.: 1924.
- **Folder 43**
  - Mi...ng, E.B., Governor's House, Ottawa: undated.
- **Folder 44**
  - Miyabe, Kingo: 1917.

- **Folder 45**
  - Morgan, Henry: 1930.
- **Folder 46**
  - Myers, J.: 1930.
- **Folder 47**
  - Nakai, T.: 1929.
- **Folder 48**
  - Prain, David: 1911.
- **Folder 49**
  - Rhododendron Association: 1927.
- **Folder 50**
  - Robertson, C.C.: 1923.
- **Folder 51**
  - Robinson, Wilhelm: 1925-1930.
- **Folder 52**
  - Saeger, W.C.: 1927.
- **Folder 53**
  - Sargent, Charles Sprague: 1906-1908.
- **Folder 54**
  - Sargent, Charles Sprague: 1909-1921.
- **Folder 55**
  - Scaife, R. L.: 1929.
- **Folder 56**
  - Shaw, G.R.: undated.
- **Folder 57**
  - Sillitoe, F.S.: 1926.
- **Folder 58**

- Silva-Tarouca: 1913.
- **Folder 59**
  - Smith, William W.: 1922, 1924, 1926
- **Folder 60**
  - Standley, Paul: 1928.
- **Folder 61**
  - Stewart, William J.: 1918.
- **Folder 62**
  - Sutton, I.M.: 1923.
- **Folder 63**
  - Tanaka, Tyozaburo: 1926.
- **Folder 64**
  - Thayer, John E.: 1908.
- **Folder 65**
  - Thiselton-Dyer, W.
- **Folder 66**
  - Thomas, C.C.: 1925.
- **Folder 67**
  - Trollope, Mark N.: 1926.
- **Folder 68**
  - Vilmorin, John.
- **Folder 69**
  - Vilmorin, Maurice: 1889, 1906.
- **Folder 70**
  - Ward, Francis Kingdon: 1919.
- **Folder 71**
  - Watson, W.: 1903, 1907.

- **Folder 72**
  - White, C.T.: 1922-1927.
- **Folder 73**
  - Wilks, D.: 1912.
- **Folder 74**
  - Williams, John C.: 1907, 1916-1930.
- **Folder 75**
  - Williams, P.D.: 1925.
- **Folder 76**
  - From Wilson, A.: 1930.
- **Folder 77**
  - From Wolcott, W.P.: 1929.

**Subseries W.XIV:F: Correspondence between Ernest Henry Wilson and Harlan Page Kelsey between 1913-1930. Arranged chronologically**

- **Box 25**
  - **Folder 1**
    - From Charles Sprague Sargent to Harlan Page Kelsey, 1913, sent with the Veitch list of "New hardy plants from Western China introduced through Mr. E.H. Wilson." The list is checked by staff at the Arnold Arboretum. (2 letters)
  - **Folder 2**
    - 1922-1914. (22 letters)
  - **Folder 3**
    - 1925-1926. (43 letters)
  - **Folder 4**
    - 1927-June 1928. (55 letters)
  - **Folder 5**
    - July 1928 – 1930. ( letters)



- Also loose in box, 4 notecards and business card of Henry T. Moon for copies of "America's Greatest Garden."

**Series W.XV: Published material about Ernest Henry Wilson (1902-present) and monographs by and about Wilson (1916-1993)**

Articles are arranged in chronological order.

○ **Box 26**

▪ **Folder 1**

- Clippings about EHW's expeditions, 1902-1932.

▪ **Folder 2**

- Bullard, F. Lauriston, "A museum of living trees: The Arnold Arboretum, of Harvard University, which is gathering every tree and shrub in the world that will grow in the latitude of Boston—the Daring Work of its Explorers in Western China and Tibet," *The World's Work* 21 (1910-1911). pp. 14147-14158.

▪ **Folder 3**

- Clippings on honors and awards presented to EHW, 1912-1930.

▪ **Folder 4**

- Additional clippings on EHW, 1912-1930.

▪ **Folder 5**

- "Chinese Wilson—Plant hunter," *The World's Work* (1913) (2 copies)

▪ **Folder 6**

- Articles on EHW's expedition to Japan, 1914-1915.

▪ **Folder 7**

- Clippings on lecture by EHW on "Flowers of Japan," *Boston Transcript* (1916).

▪ **Folder 8**

- Articles on EHW's expedition to Japan, Korea, Formosa, 1919.

▪ **Folder 9**

- Articles on the "Kurume Azaleas," 1920.

- **Folder 10**

- Articles on EHW's expedition to the Southern Hemisphere, the "Gardens of the World," 1920-1922.

- **Folder 11**

- Clippings saved by EHW from newspapers in the Southern Hemisphere, 1920-1922. Includes *The Australian Forestry Journal*, 8:2 (February 1925). With Wilson's picture on the cover, and notation on p. 33. Also includes Cockayne, Leonard. "Professor E.H. Wilson on New Zealand Forests and Forestry," [proof] *New Zealand Journal of Science and Technology*, (1921?).

- **Folder 12**

- Clippings on lectures given by EHW upon his return from the Southern Hemisphere, 1922-1924.

- **Folder 13**

- Book reviews of books written by EHW, 1925-1929.

- **Folder 14**

- *EHW obituaries, 1930.*

- **Folder 15**

- Articles on EHW, 1931-1932.

- **Folder 16**

- Various periodical articles, mainly on EHW's plant introductions, 1918-1952.

- **Folder 17**

- Pamphlet titled, *Ernest H. Wilson*, by the Garden Club of America, January 21-March 7, 1941.

#### *Ernest Henry Wilson*

There is hardly a garden in all our land, lovingly planned and tended, that will not every spring and summer for countless generations to come, glorify with its spires and clumps of bloom, the memory of Ernest Henry Wilson, the late keeper of the Arnold Arboretum of Harvard University.

Our old-fashioned gardens had their bright and fragrant flowers—lilacs, peonies, roses, pinks, stocks—brought originally from the old home in England, but, within the last twenty or thirty years, these long-familiar plants have made the acquaintance of strange, lovely exotics discovered in the Far East through the indefatigable labors of the Arboretum's collector. China, Tibet, Manchuria, the high slopes of the Himalayas, remote, rarely traveled islands of the China and Japan seas, he has searched them high and low for new specimens of plant life that might enrich our native possessions. Most of these have taken kindly to our soil, and, to most of those who own them they now seem as much a part of our original flora as the may-flower and the mountain laurel.

In the records of "Chinese" Wilson's life, now so swiftly and lamentably closed, there will be found a fuller record of his great contributions to the science of botany. One of the most modest of men, shrinking from any trumpeting of his achievements, jealous only that his work as a naturalist should be sound and enduring, he was, in his own field, worthy to be named in the company of his great countrymen, Darwin and Huxley, and our own Asa Gray.

- Edwards, Vincent. "Columbus of the Plant World," *Forward*, (1940s?) .
- **Folder 18**
  - White, William Chapman. "Just about Everything: The Lily and the Broken Leg" *New York Herald Tribune*, (June 25, 1954).
  - Aldredge, James. "'Chinese' Wilson, Columbus of the Plant World," *New England Homestead*, (1958).
- **Folder 19**
  - Pamphlet titled, *Excerpts: Letters of C.S. Sargent to Rochester Park Personnel*, 1961.
  - Doleshy, Frank. "Distribution and Ecology of Certain Japanese Rhododendrons: A Progress Report," *Quarterly Bulletin of the American Rhododendron Society*, (July 1968).
  - Tanner, Anne. (Book Review) "In Flowery Praise of Chinese Wilson," *Rochester Democrat and Chronicle*, (September 28, 1969).
  - Hall, G.K. "Index to American Botanical Literature, 1886-1966" *Torrey Botanical Club*, (1969).
- **Folder 20**
  - [\*Arnoldia\*](#), (May 1972).
  - "Salute to the Arboretum on its Centennial," *Boston Globe*, May 21, 1972.
- **Folder 21**
  - "Craftman's Concrete: Sir Gordon Russell's Garden at Kingcombe, Chipping Campden." *Concrete Quarterly* 98, (July-September 1973) pp. 33-35.
- **Folder 22**
  - Rose, Dorothy. "'Chinese' Wilson, Plant-Hunter," *Country Life*, June 3, 1976.
  - Chvany, Peter J. "E.H. Wilson: Photographer" *Arnoldia*, 36:5 (September/October 1976). (2 copies)
- **Folder 23**

- Loke, Margaret. "Glimpses of Old China," *New York Times*, (April 30, 1978).
- **Folder 24**
  - *Arnoldia*, 40:3 (May/June 1980). (3 copies) Includes article by Richard Howard, "E.H. Wilson as a Botanist (Part 1)," and article by Kristen Clausen and Shui-Ying Hu, "Mapping the Collecting Localities of E.H. Wilson in China."
  - *Arnoldia*, 40:4, (July/August 1980). Includes article by Richard Howard, "E. H. Wilson as a Botanist (Part 2)."
  - Howard, R.A. "E.H. Wilson and the 'Nodding Lilac'" *Yearbook of the Lilac Society*, 9 (1980). pp. 13-15. Includes original artwork for the four maps published in the article.
- **Folder 25**
  - Pollack, Lori. "Walking Through China in Search of Plants," *The Morton Arboretum Quarterly*, 19:3 (Autumn 1983).
- **Folder 26**
  - "Arduous Trek Through China for Beauty," *The Boston Globe*, (May 6, 1985).
  - *Blithewold Gardens & Arboretum Newsletter*, 6:4 (Fall 1985).
  - Reed, Christopher. "Lilies for 'Chinese Wilson'," [\*Harvard Magazine\*](#), (March/April 1986).
  - "Arboretum Heads Down 'Chinese' Path," *Harvard Gazette*, (February 6, 1987).
- **Folder 27**
  - "The Closer You Get to the 'Rhodies,' the Better They Look," *Smithsonian*, 17:2 (May 1986). pp. 52-62. With photograph of Wilson and mention of him as one of the first rhododendron hunters to collect for an American institution.
- **Folder 28**
  - Heriz-Smith, Shirley. "Choicest Chinese Take-Away: Ernest Wilson, Plant Collector," in *Country Life*, (May 18, 1989). pp. 256-260.
  - "Moments in Time," *Harvard Magazine*, 92:2, (November/December 1989). pp. 46- 47. Featuring Wilson's photograph in Japan of *Prunus subhirtella pendula*.

- **Folder 29**

- Tozer, Eliot. "On the Trail of E.H. Wilson," *Horticulture*, 72:9 (November 1994). pp. 50-58. (3 copies, incomplete)
- Klingaman, Gerald L. "East Meets West." *American Nurseryman*, 186:2 (July 15, 1997). pp. 28-39.

- **Folder 30**

- Brochure, *The Asia center at Harvard University*, 2001, with two notes inside (from Sarah O'Brien Mackey and Noelehua Lyons) regarding the cover photograph (taken by Wilson in 1908).
- *Arnoldia*, 61:3 (2002). Includes "Wilson's Lost Tree" by Mark Flanagan and "Across the Chino-Thibetan [sic] Borderland [1908]" by E.H. Wilson.
- Hobson, Katherine. "Green Dreams: A plant collector's quest for rarities," *U.S. News and World Report*, 136:7 (February 23/March 1, 2004).
- Mollendorf, Miranda. "Wilson's American Beauties: Revealing the Famed Plant Explorer's American Photographs," *Silva* (Spring/Summer, 2014.) pp. 8-9.

- **Folder 31**

- Furui, Tomoko. [Wilson's Yakushima : memories of the past](#). Tōkyō : KTC chūōshuppan, 2013.

- **Folder 32**

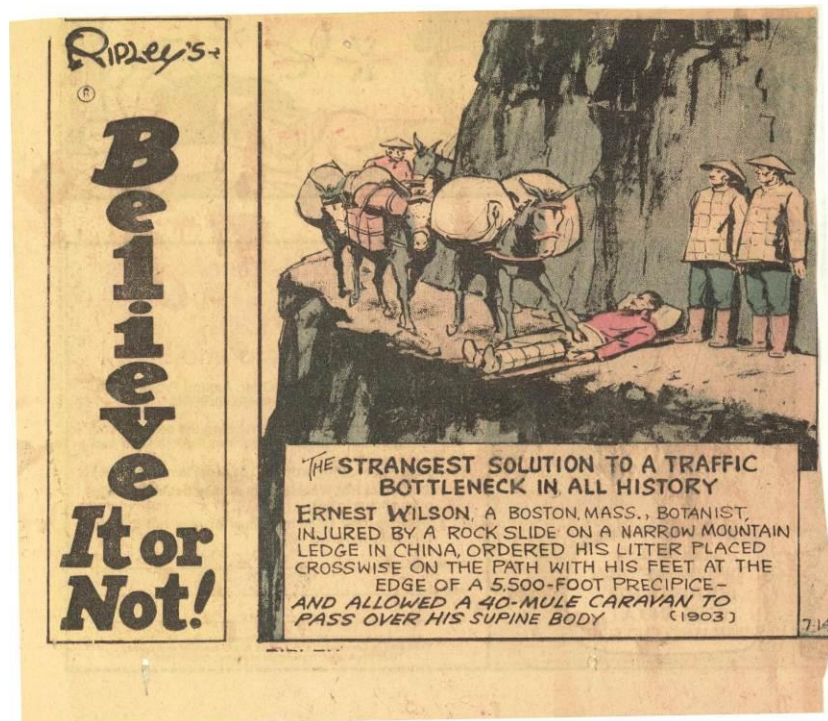
- Furui, Tomoko. [Wilson's Kagoshima : Tracing the footsteps of a plant hunter](#). Kagoshima-shi : Nanpōshinsha, 2016. Gift of the author.

- **Folder 33**

- Furui, Tomoko. [Wilson in Tokyo 1914](#). Tōkyō : Yasakashobō, 2019.

- **Folder 34**

- Clippings from Tomoko Furui (Researcher/Writer) regarding Wilson photographic exhibit in Kagoshima, [Japan]. Gift dated February 22, 2016.
- **Folder 35**
  - Clippings from Tomoko Furui (Researcher/Writer) regarding Wilson photographic exhibit in Tokyo, [Japan]. April-June 2019. Gift dated June 14, 2019.
- **Folder 36**
  - Ein pechvogel namens Wilson. Frankfurt am Main : Pinguin Druck GmbH, [undated]. Gift of Dr. Ulrike Brunken, 2016 [letter included].
- **Folder 37**
  - Undated clippings, including "Ripley's Believe It or Not!" cartoon panel on Wilson's 1903 leg injury.



- **Folder 38**
  - Copy of *Arnoldia*, 36:5, (September/October 1976). Interleaved proofs and negatives of images published in issue. Including

additional negatives; color prints from the Birmingham Botanical Garden—the Wilson Border, 1989; and one slide.

- **Folder 39**

- "Editorial: Ernest Henry Wilson" and "Books by Ernest H. Wilson: A Memorial List" both from *Landscape Architecture* XXI:3, April 1931.

- **Folder 40**

- Harvey, Yvette and David, John. "Revisiting the UK's 'Wilson 50' Kurume azaleas." *Rhododendrons, camellias & magnolias*. [Journal article] 2017.

- **Folder 41**

- Morton, Richard. "Back on the Hunt for the Wilson 50." *The Plantsman* New Series 17:3 September 2018.

- **Folder 42**

- Baldwin, Harry. "Wilson's *Poliathyrsis*." *The Plant Review*. December 2019.

- **Folder 43**

- *Sixteen tree stumps : Cryptomeria japonica as architecture* / editors: Erez Golani Solomon, Yoav Orion, Katerin Pavlova, School of Architecture, Bezalel Academy of Arts and Design, Jerusalem; translation to Japanese: Keiko Klinkers. Jerusalem : Bezalel Academy of Arts and Design, [2022]. [Catalog record](#).

## **Box 26A – Bound Volumes**

- Briggs, Roy W. *"Chinese" Wilson : a life of Ernest H. Wilson, 1876-1930 / Roy W. Briggs ; foreword by Roy Lancaster*. London : HMSO,c1993.
- Rehder, Alfred. "Ernest Henry Wilson," *Journal of the Arnold Arboretum*, XI:4 (October 1930). Bound copy.
- Wilson, Ernest Henry. *America's greatest garden : the Arnold arboretum / by E. H. Wilson ; with frontispiece and fifty illustrations mostly by the author*. Boston, Mass. : The Stratford Company, 1925. Includes two notes from Clara F. Clapp about donating the book to the Arboretum, and referencing two letters from Wilson to her grandmother, Mrs. Charles Ripley (see Subseries W.XIII:C Folder 14)

- Wilson, Ernest Henry and Alfred Rehder, *A Monograph of Azaleas*, 1921. S. McKelvey's copy, labeled with her name on inside cover; no additional notes or annotations.
- Wilson, Ernest Henry. *The Cherries of Japan* 1916. Publications of the Arnold Arboretum, No. 7.
- Wilson, Ernest Henry. *Plant hunting / by Ernest H. Wilson ; with 128 illustrations, mostly from photographs taken by the author*. Boston, Mass. : The Stratford company, 1927. Two volume set, autographed copy. "To his most energetic friend, W. Ormiston Roy, with affectionate regards these volumes are inscribed by the author, Sept 7th, 1927." Includes a letter from Wilson to Roy about the book, and three copies of book reviews Wilson sent to Roy.

▪ **Box 26B – Bound Volumes**

- Wilson, Ernest Henry. *A Naturalist in Western China*, Volumes I and II, 1913.
- Wilson, Ernest Henry. "Indigenous Forest Trees of Kenya." *The Farmer's Journal*; Vol 4, No 8; 23 February, 1922.
- Farrington, Edward I. (Edward Irving). *Ernest H. Wilson, plant hunter. With a list of his most important introductions and where to get them*. Boston, Mass., The Stratford Company [c1931]. (2 copies, 1 signed by author)
- *The flowering world of "Chinese" Wilson. Edited and with introd. and brief biography by Daniel J. Foley*. [New York], Macmillan, c1969. (2 copies)
- *Tree Calendar 1978*. Featuring the photographs of Ernest H. Wilson, Interior Provinces of Hupeh and Szechuan between 1907 and 1910.
- Yin, Kaipu. 2010. *Tracing one hundred years of change: Illustrating the environmental changes in Western China*. Beijing: Encyclopedia of China Publishing House. [Catalog record](#).
- Yin, Kaipu, Haiyan Wang, and Dan Zhu. 2022. *Bai nian bian qian : liang wei dong xi fang zhi wu xue jia de ying xiang zhong feng*. 第1版. ed. One century later: In the footsteps of E.H. Wilson. [Catalog record](#).

▪ **Boxed-Bound Volumes**



The Arnold Arboretum Archives received a donation of four bound volumes of Wilson monographs on July 10, 2015. These items were then boxed and shelved between **Box 26B** and **Box 27**. They conclude **Series W.XV**. This gift included two letters dated 1930 by Wilson to Mrs. S. Kneass, a relative of the donor who had also purchased the monographs in 1930. The letters are interfiled with Wilson's correspondence (**Series W.XIV:C, Box 24, Folder 36**), and added to the [Arnold Arboretum Correspondence Database](#).

- Wilson, Ernest Henry. *Aristocrats of the garden* by Ernest H. Wilson ; with illustrations from photographs taken by the author. Boston, Mass. : The Stratford company, 1926. xxv, 312 p., [26] leaves of plates : ill. ; 25 cm. Gift of Jerry Wheelock.
- Wilson, Ernest Henry, 1876-1930. *Aristocrats of the trees* by Ernest H. Wilson. Boston : Stratsford, c1930. xxi, 279 p., [1], 66 leaves of plates : ill. ; 31 cm. Gift of Jerry Wheelock.
- Wilson, Ernest Henry. *China, mother of gardens* by Ernest H. Wilson ; with map and sixty-one illustrations from photographs taken by the author. Boston, Mass. : Stratford Co., c1929. x, 408 p., [1], lx, [1] leaves of plates (1 folded) : ill., col. map ; 27 cm. Gift of Jerry Wheelock, 2015.
- Wilson, Ernest Henry. *China, mother of gardens* by Ernest H. Wilson ; with map and sixty-one illustrations from photographs taken by the author. Boston, Mass. : Stratford Co., c1929. x, 408 p., [1], lx, [1] leaves of plates (1 folded) : ill., col. map ; 27 cm. Gift of Phyllis Andersen, 2019.
- Wilson, Ernest Henry. *Zhongguo, yuan lin zhi mu = China, mother of gardens* [Chinese translation] / (ying) E.H. Weiexun zhu, Hu Qiming, yi. Guangzhou : Guangdong ke ji chu ban she, 2015. 4, 5, 304 pages : illustrations, map, portraits ; 24 cm. Gift of the translator.
- Wilson, Ernest Henry, and Zhiyi Bao. *Zhongguo Nai Shi Jie Hua Yuan Zhi Mu = China, Mother of Gardens*. 第1版. ed. Beijing: Zhongguo Qing Nian Chu Ban She, 2017. Gift of the translator.
- Wilson, Ernest Henry. *More aristocrats of the garden* by Ernest H. Wilson ; with forty-three illustrations mostly from photographs taken by the author. Boston, Mass. : The Stratford company, 1928. xiv, 288 p., [42] leaves of plates : ill. ; 25 cm. Gift of Jerry Wheelock.

**Series W.XVI: Collected Works: selected published articles, excluding monographs, 1901-1953**

This series is subdivided into three subseries, A-C.

**Subseries W.XVI:A: Articles written or compiled by Ernest Henry Wilson.  
Arranged chronologically**

▪ **Box 27**

▪ **Folder 1**

- Unwin, F.S., commissioner of customs, Ichang, Hupeh. *ICHANG-Decennial report, 1892-1901*. Includes "Note of the Flora of Western Hupeh" written by Wilson. pp. 191-198. Also, photocopy of pages 191-198.

▪ **Folder 2**

- "Service held in St. Paul's Cathedral...In Memory of his late Majesty King Edward, May 20, 1910." *The Journal of the Kew Guild*, (1897). Thought to be compiled by EHW.

▪ **Folder 3** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2766295>

- Clippings from *The Gardeners' Chronicle*, 1903-1904, complied by EHW. Mainly on plant introductions collected by Wilson in China and introduced by Messrs. Veitch, 43 p. (Moved from the Arnold Arboretum library Ve. W693.3W).

▪ **Folder 4** <http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:2766565>

- "Leaves from my Chinese notebook." Bound series of clippings from *The Gardeners' Chronicle*, 1905-1906. 76 p. Gift of E.H. Wilson's daughter Muriel Wilson Slate. Dates of publication inserted at end. Specimen label notes inserted at end. Transferred from the Botany Libraries, February 2009.
- Another copy, incomplete. Annotated by Ivan M. Johnson.
- Photocopies of the original articles in *Gardeners' Chronicle*.

▪ **Folder 5**

- "Wanderings in China." *Journal of the Horticultural Society*, 29:3 (1905). 7 p.

▪ **Folder 6**

- "Western China: A Field for Sportsmen." *The Field, The Country Gentleman's Newspaper* 106 (October 7, 1905).
- **Folder 7**
  - "Some new Chinese plants." *Bulletin of Miscellaneous Information (Royal Gardens, Kew)*, 1906:5 (1906). pp. 147-163. (2 copies)
- **Folder 8**
  - Wilson, Ernest Henry. "T'ang-Shên. (Codonopsis Tangshen, Oliv.)," *Bulletin of Miscellaneous Information (Royal Gardens, Kew)*, 1907:1 (1907). p. 9.
- **Folder 9**
  - "The Chinese Flora." *Journal of the Horticultural Society*, 33:2 (1908). 6 p. (2 copies)
- **Folder 10**
  - "E.H. Wilson: Address to members of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society. The fourth expedition taken to China for the purpose of collecting new plants for the Arnold Arboretum." Reprint from the *Boston Transcript*, (November 4, 1911).
- **Folder 11**
  - "New Chinese Plants," *Horticulture* (November 4, 1911). Proofs.
- **Folder 12**
  - "Kingdom of Flowers," *National Geographic Magazine*, 22:11 (November 1911). (3 copies)
- **Folder 13**
  - Sargent, Charles Sprague. *A guide to the Arnold Arboretum*. Cambridge, 1911.
  - *The Arnold Arboretum: The C. S. Sargent Memorial Fund for the Endowment of the Arnold Arboretum*. January 1928.
  - *Arnold Arboretum Harvard University: Plan of the Arnold Arboretum*. No date.
- **Folder 14**

- Wilson, Ernest Henry. *A Naturalist in Western China: With vasculum, camera, and gun. Preface by Ernest Henry Wilson and Introduction by Charles Sprague Sargent*, New York: Doubleday, Page, & Co. 1913. Excerpted pp. vii-xxxvii.
- **Folder 15**
  - "Consider the Lilies," *The Garden Magazine*, 21:6 (July 1915).
- **Folder 16**
  - "A summary report on the forests, forest trees, and afforestation in Chosen." *Transactions of Royal Scottish Arboricultural Society*, (1919). 8 p.
- **Folder 17**
  - "Citizens of Tokyo, Save Your Cherry Trees," *Sakura*, (1919). 3p.
- **Folder 18**
  - "Kurume Azaleas." *Bulletin of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society*, 33 (1920). 4 p.
- **Folder 19**
  - Wilson, Ernest Henry. "The Romance of Our Trees—IX: Whence Came the Common Fruits?" *The Garden Magazine*, XXXI:4 (June 1920). pp. 259-263.
- **Folder 20**
  - "Acacias." *Bulletin of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society*, 11 (1923). 8 p.
- **Folder 21**
  - Wilson, Ernest Henry. "Autumn Landscapes," *Christian Science Monitor*, (October 8, 1923).
  - Wilson, Ernest Henry. "The Dawn of Spring," *Christian Science Monitor*, (April 11, 1924).
  - Wilson, Ernest Henry. "Cherry Blossom Time," *Christian Science Monitor*, (May 19, 1924).
  - Wilson, Ernest Henry. "The Lilacs Are in Bloom," *Christian Science Monitor*, (June 2, 1924).

- Wilson, Ernest Henry. "Work of Arnold Arboretum," *Christian Science Monitor*, no date.
- **Folder 22**
  - Wilson, Ernest Henry. "Harvard's Tree Museum," Museum Work, (January-February, 1924). COPY.
- **Folder 23**
  - Articles by EHW from *Horticulture*, 1923-1930. Thought to be compiled by E.H. Wilson.
- **Box 27A**
  - Articles by E.H. Wilson from *The Garden Magazine*. Bound volume. Gift of Ellen Belt (daughter of Alfred Fordham), 2021. [Catalog record](#).
- **Box 28**
  - **Folder 1**
    - List of EHW articles published in *House and Gardens*, 1924-1930.
    - List of contributions to *House and Gardens*, 1924-1930.
  - **Folder 2**
    - "Price of the Regal Lily: A treasure wrested from forbidding Tibet," *The Country Gentleman*. Volume 90, issue 36. Pages 11, 145, October 1925.
  - **Folder 3**
    - "Twelve shrubs for ten regions." *House and Garden*, (March 1926).
  - **Folder 4**
    - "Pterocaryas or Wing-Nuts," *The Garden*, (July 31, 1926).
- **Folder 5**

- "Quest of the Dovetree: An expedition into Boxer-ridden China yielded a floral treasure," *The Country Gentleman*, (August 1926).
- **Folder 6**
  - "Plants of our great-grandmothers' day." *House and Garden*, (1930).
- **Folder 7**
  - "Flowering bushes and small trees to fringe the border of the woodland." *House and Garden*, (December 1930).
- **Folder 8**
  - "Facts and fancies about trees." *Ladies' Home Journal*, (May 1932).
- **Folder 9**
  - Wilson, Ernest Henry. "The Glory of Autumn," *Horticulture*, 31 (October 1953). pp.402-403, 420. Reprint.

**Subseries W.XVI:B: Articles written by Ernest Henry Wilson and collected by Harlan Page Kelsey. 1914-1927**



- **Box 29**

- **Folder 1**

- *Wilson, Ernest Henry. "The Story of the Modern Rose," Garden Magazine, (June 1915). (Seen above)*

- **Folder 2**

- Bound volume of various articles from the *Garden Magazine*, 1915-1916. Includes typed index.

- **Folder 3**

- *Wilson, Ernest Henry. "The Flowers of Japan," Gardeners' Chronicle, (January 1916).*

- **Folder 4**

- Various articles from *The Garden Magazine*, 1914-1920.
    - Three letters from Harlan Page Kelsey to publishers of *Garden Magazine* dated February 13-26, 1918, regarding obtaining copies of missing issues with Wilson's articles.

- **Folder 5**

- Wilson, Ernest Henry. "The romance of our trees." *The Garden Magazine*, 1920. Series of articles incomplete.
- Article with picture as EHW departs for India, Australia and South Africa.
- **Folder 6**
  - Wilson, Ernest Henry. "Hawthorns," *Country Life*, (1923).
- **Folder 7**
  - Wilson, Ernest Henry. "Travel tales of a plant collector," *The Garden Magazine*, (January 1923), (January 1924). Series of 12 articles.
- **Folder 8**
  - Various articles from *The Garden*, 1924-1926. "Trees and Shrubs: Flowering Shrubs for a Moderate-Sized Garden - I." by W.J. Bean. Article contains picture of *Stachyurus chinensis* with caption, "This fine shrub was introduced into cultivation by E.H. Wilson."
- **Folder 9**
  - Various articles from *Horticulture*, 1923-1927.

#### **Subseries W.XVI:C: Publishers' Flyers**

- **Box 29**
  - **Folder 1**
    - Four publishers' flyers on monographs written by EHW.

#### **Subseries W.XVI:D: Other articles by Wilson**





Wa-shan. Colored lantern slide. Wilson, Ernest Henry (1876-1930). 1908. Z-366.

- **Box 30**

- **Folder 1**

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- **Folder 2**

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- **Folder 3**

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### **Series W.XVII: Correspondence and Other Unpublished Material Relating to Wilson. 1930-Present**

This series is divided into six subseries (A-F).

#### ○ **Box 31**

#### ▪ **Subseries W.XVII:A: Correspondence relating to the transfer of Wilson material from Kew/Chipping Campden to the Arnold Arboretum.**

##### ▪ **Folder 1**

- Material related to the donation of Wilson papers and artifacts to the Arnold Arboretum by his granddaughter, Barbara Abbott, in 1980.

##### ▪ **Folder 2**

- EHW Memorabilia at Kew/Chipping Campden. Correspondence regarding the transfer of Wilson memorabilia from Kew/Chipping Campden back to its source, the Arnold Arboretum Archives.
- Letters to and from: Stephen A. Spongberg, Robert Cook, Roy Lancaster, R.W. Smith, Mrs. Haines, Mrs. Barbara S. Abbott, Mr. Basil Hart, Mr. John Flanagan.

- Correspondence regarding the return of the Wilson papers and books from Kew, April 3-September 26, 1996.
- Portion of photocopied letter from Roy Briggs, regarding the boxes of Wilson papers being stored, open, beneath a caretaker's bed at Chipping Campden.
- List of "Wilson Memorabilia Returned from Kew (not including Wilson's books)".

**Subseries W.XVII:B: Material from Roy Briggs concerning the research/writing of *"Chinese" Wilson : a life of Ernest H. Wilson, 1876-1930***

▪ **Folder 3**

- Correspondence and photographs relating to the writing of *"Chinese" Wilson: a life of Ernest H. Wilson, 1876-1930*.

**Subseries W.XVII:C: Wilson Memorials**



▪ **Folder 4**

- *Material in reference to the Ernest Henry Wilson Memorial Garden in Chipping Campden, Gloucestershire, England. 1976-present. (Picture seen above).*

- **Folder 5**

- Letter from John Roy, Montreal, in reference to EHW and his grave in Montreal, Canada, 1959. With photograph of monument.
- Article "Monument Erected on Grave of Noted Horticulturist," *The Montreal Daily*, (May 31, 1949).

**Subseries W.XVII:D: Plant lists and labels**

- **Folder 6**

- "Introductions of E.H. Wilson. Trees and Shrubs." A handwritten list by Alfred Rehder. No date.

- **Folder 7**

- Two computer printouts, 1984. "Wilson collections that are in the Arnold Arboretum living collections." List compiled by David Michener. Wilson accessions (living), April 4, 1988.

- **Folder 8**

- Living plants collected by EHW (Dr. Weaver's List) "1973 or 1979."

**Subseries W.XVII:E: Material relating to Wilson exhibits**

- **Folder 9**

- Material on EHW and Morris Arboretum with exhibit plans. Compiled by Sheila Connor, 1979.

- **Folder 10**

- "Science and the Pleasure Ground." Exhibit, 1996; Wilson photographs for Sanderson Field Camera.

- **Folder 11**

- Exhibits "Through Western Lenses: Visions of China in Transition, 1860-1950." Exhibit at the China Trade Museum, July 14-September 1982. Three brochures from exhibit. "A Bridge of Trees: The Plants, People and Landscapes of China, Japan and Korea." Brochure from the exhibit, held at the Hunnewell Visitor Center, September 4, 1986. Celine Arseneault, "Ernest Henry 'Chinese' Wilson (1876-1930): chasseur de plantes et photographe." *Bulletin de la Société d'animation du*

*Jardin et de l'Institut botaniques*, 7, No. 1-2, 1982.  
"Publications for Sale at the Arnold Arboretum of  
Harvard University." January 1933.

- **Folder 12**

- Brochures from two exhibits using Wilson photographs:  
"The Ames-Haskell Azalea Collection," National Gallery  
of Art, 1991 and "In Search of the Handkerchief Tree—  
Botanical Discoveries in China and Japan," Botanical  
Garden Mainz (Germany), 2001.

- **Folder 13**

- Draft of introduction and guide to the East Asian  
Photograph Collections of the Arnold Arboretum.
- Inventories of the East Asian Photograph Collections of  
the Arnold Arboretum and the Peabody Essex Museum.
- Print copy of e-mail from A. Hubble regarding photo  
project meeting at the Peabody Essex Museum, 1997.

**Subseries W.XVII:F: Correspondence about Ernest Henry Wilson, 1909-  
present.**

- **Folder 14**

- Copies of original subscription letters from Charles  
Sprague Sargent regarding EHW's third expedition to  
China, 1906.

- **Folder 15**

- Copies of original subscription letters from Charles  
Sprague Sargent regarding EHW's first volumes of  
photographs from China, 1909.

- **Folder 16**

- Letters in memoriam for EHW from the Florida  
Federation of Garden Clubs, the Federated Garden Clubs  
of Cincinnati and Vicinity, and others, 1930.

- **Folder 17**

- Letter to Mrs. Muriel Wilson Slate (EHW's daughter) from  
Harold S. Ross (President, Horticultural Club of Boston).  
May 27, 1946.

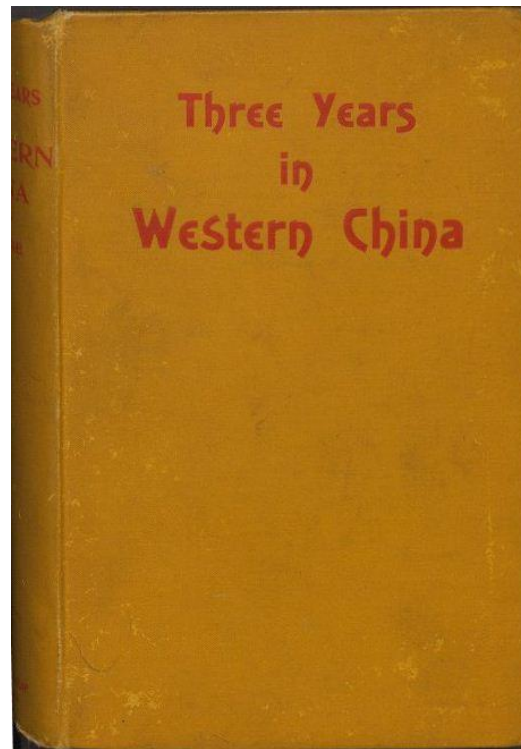
- **Folder 18**

- Two letters to Karl Sax from George Slate regarding the donation of EHW materials to the Arnold Arboretum, with photocopies of Sax's responses. 1952.
- **Folder 19**
  - Letter from the Copyright Office—The Library of Congress regarding EHW's publications, January 31, 1967.
  - Letter from the United States Department of Agriculture regarding Wilson's tree stump, December 21, 1964.
- **Folder 20**
  - Letter to Sheila Connor from Hazel E. Dempster, 1979. Reference to EHW's efforts to make Nornalup Area a National Park.
- **Folder 21**
  - Correspondence queries on EHW assembled by Arnold Arboretum staff, 1984-1989.
- **Folder 22**
  - Letter From J.M.H. Shaw to Arnold Arboretum Librarian, May 28, 1993. Questions regarding EHW's herbarium collections at The University of Nottingham gathered during the 1907-09 Arnold Arboretum Expedition to Western China.
  - Letter from Richard Shadwell to Arnold Arboretum Librarian, January 26, 1993. Request for EHW biographical materials with several newspaper and journal clippings.
- **Folder 23**
  - Copy of letter from Sheila Connor to Mr. Leigh regarding transfer of memorabilia from UK to US, 2002.
- **Folder 24**
  - Letter from Gordon Jones to Robert Cook regarding transfer of Chinese pedestal belonging to Wilson family from New York to Arnold Arboretum, 2005.

## Series W.XVIII: Ernest Henry Wilson's Personal Library

Bound volumes, arranged alphabetically by author.

- *[The arrow case opium war]*.  
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## **Appendix 1: Administrative Documents**

- **Box 32**
  - 1984 Ernest Henry Wilson Papers bound finding aid
  - 1997 Ernest Henry Wilson Papers finding aid revision

- Royal Geographic Society Correspondence
- Preservation Work Documentation
- Open Collections Program

## **Series W.XIX: Microfilm**

### **Reel 1**

- Diaries and notebooks, books 1-4. Veitch expedition, 1903
- Diary. China, March 15-April 24, 1904
- Diary. China, April 2-April 19, 1907

### **Reel 2**

- Unlabeled. Possibly "Some new roses introduced by the Arnold Arboretum during the past decade." American Rose Society, 1916

### **Reel 3**

- Diary. India, 1921
- Expense account. Second expedition to China, 1906-1909
- Expense account. Second expedition to China, 1910-1911
- Notebook. Australia expedition, November 1920-January 1921, #520-717
- Notebook. Aldenham Honbi? 1922
- Notebook. Visits in England, beginning with Wisley Garden July 21, 1922
- Catalogue of the Library . . . selected titles prepared for Wilson to take . . .
- Miscellaneous lists. Wanderings in China; new Chinese plants, T'ang-Shen
- Manuscripts. 1903-1904
- "Leaves from my Chinese notebook." Second expedition, 1903-1904
- Field notes. Second expedition to China, 1910
- Numerical lists of seeds #1-1907 collected from China, 1899-1905

### **Reel 4**

- Numerical lists. 1909-1918. 8 volumes. Accessions 39,526-39,533 including numbers from Formosa, Korea, Manchuria, Okinawa, Bonin Islands
- Plant lists. Perth to Westonia, 1920
- African collections

### **Reel 5**

- "Questionnaires regarding Dr. Wilson's introductions." Correspondence regarding ownership of rare plants

## **Series W.XXX: Symposia**

- 2017 Szechuan, China

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