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Descriptive Summary

Repository: Arnold Arboretum, Jamaica Plain, MA
Call No.: III JFR
Location: Archives.
Title: Papers of Joseph Francis Charles Rock (1884-1962), 1922-1962: Guide
Quantity: 6.75 linear feet.
Abstract: This collection is comprised of publications, field notes, photographs, and correspondence by Joseph Francis Charles Rock. Rock worked as a botanist, anthropologist, explorer, linguist, and author for various agencies while travelling in Asia. Rock's affiliation with the Arnold arboretum was that of a researcher in China and Tibet from 1924-1927. The bulk of this collection consists of correspondence, records, and images developed during that visit.
Note: For a link to the Classic Hollis record, click here; for a link to the New Hollis record, click here.

Acquisition Information

Provenance: Over six hundred of the expedition photographs were commissioned by the Arnold Arboretum, the remainder were donated by other institutions. The manuscripts and much of the personal correspondence were purchased by the Arnold Arboretum from Rock’s nephew Robert Koc. The correspondence files date from their inception as part of the Arboretum’s institutional records. Rock’s field notes and maps from northwestern China and northeastern Tibet were returned from the Botany Libraries/Gray Herbarium Archives to the Arnold Arboretum Archives in February 1992. The photo albums were transferred from the USDA to the Arnold Arboretum.

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**Biographical Note**

Joseph Rock – botanist, anthropologist, explorer, linguist, and author – immigrated to the United States from his native Austria in 1905. From 1907 to 1920, Rock lived in Hawaii, where he became a self-taught specialist on the Hawaiian Flora. On the faculty of the College of Hawaii, Rock taught botany and published five books and numerous papers on the subject. From 1920 until 1949, he explored and collected in Asia for various United States institutions and agencies, such as: The National Geographic Society, U. S. Dept. of Agriculture, and Harvard University. Several of Rock’s travelogues were published in the National Geographic Magazine. Today, Rock’s contribution is still utilized by the scholarly community and best summarized by Tibetan and Himalayan Studies scholar Michael Aris in his book *Lamas, Princes, and Brigands: Joseph Rock’s Photographs of the Tibetan Borderlands of China*, 1992:

Rock’s real competence lay in the identification and collection of plants, the decipherment of the Naxi pictographs, and the compilation of maps — visual skills requiring enormous mental determination and physical stamina. His photographs, too, often taken under very difficult circumstances, provide eloquent testimony to his drive for classifiable visual evidence.

Continuing a fifty-year Arnold Arboretum tradition of sending plant explorers to Asia, it was an elderly Charles S. Sargent (1841-1927), the first director of the Arnold Arboretum, who
initiated Joseph Rock’s expedition to northwestern China and northeastern Tibet in 1924. Seeking bird specimens from this area, the Harvard Museum of Comparative Zoology cooperated in the project, which lasted from 1924-27. Sargent's assignment to Rock was to collect plants and to photograph specimens along the Yellow River (Hwangho) and in the mountain ranges Amne Machin (Che-shih-shan) and the Richtofen (Chi-lien shan-mo). Rock also collected along the Yangtze River, the Kansu-Szechuan border, in the Tebbu region in southwestern Kansu, and around the Koki Nor Lake in northeastern Tibet.

On this 1924 expedition, Rock collected 20,000 herbarium specimens and many packages of propagative material. Although few new species were found, Rock lived up to Sargent's principal objective, which was to collect harder forms of species that had already been collected by others farther south. The Arboretum distributed the seeds Rock collected to botanical and horticultural institutions in North America and in Europe. Rock also took numerous photographs and, independently, studied the cultures and languages of the local tribes.

From 1927, Rock continued his work in China for various institutions. He was a research fellow at the Harvard Yenching Institute between 1945 and 1950, where he published his linguistic research.

In 1949, the political situation forced Rock's departure from China. In 1962, while living in Hawaii, a heart attack took the life of Joseph Rock, a world-renowned personality.


Scope and Content
The primary content of Joseph Rock's Papers at the Arnold Arboretum consists of material created during Rock's Arboretum expeditions to China and Tibet during the years 1924-27. The archive consists of handwritten field notes, over 250 letters and telegrams written from the field to Charles Sargent and others at the Arnold Arboretum, an extensive photograph collection, Rock's hand drawn maps, and other
documents related to the 1924-27 expedition. The collection also includes unpublished manuscripts regarding Chinese customs and politics, as well as personal correspondence with family and contacts in Europe and America.

**Arrangement**

The Rock collection is organized in five series:
- Series I: Unpublished writings
- Series II: Expedition records and distributions
- Series III: Correspondence
- Series IV: Publications
- Series V: Images

**Container List**

- **Series: I Unpublished Writings**
  - **Box 1**
    - Folder 1
      - Handwritten RIF1-1. [http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:22095](http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:22095)
      - Transcribed RIF1-1t. [http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:43122](http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:43122)
      - 2 pages original, 2 pages typescript.
    - Folder 2
      - Yunnan Province.
      - 4 pages original, 3 pages typescript.
    - Folder 3
      - Slavery in Yunnan.
      - 4 pages original, 3 pages typescript.
    - Folder 4
      - The War Years in the West of Yunnan.
      - 12 pages original, 10 pages typescript.
    - Folder 5
      - Handwritten RIF5-1. [http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:22096](http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:22096)
      - Transcribed RIF5-1t. [http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:43123](http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:43123)
      - 5 pages original, 4 pages typescript.
    - Folder 6
      - Hsi-k'ang (Sikang) Province.
      - 4 pages original, 3 pages typescript.
    - Folder 7
      - Southwest Hsi-k'ang (Sikang).
      - 1 pages original, 1 pages typescript.
    - Folder 8
      - Yung-ning or the eternal peace territory.
Folder 9
- The principality of Cho-ni.
  Handwritten RIF9-1. http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:22097
  Transcribed RIF9-1t. http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:43124
  13 pages original, 10 pages typescript.

Folder 10
- The Na-khi tribe and their literature.
  12 pages original, 0 pages typescript.

Folder 11
- The Lama Kingdom of Mu-li 26.
  12 pages original, 0 pages typescript.

Folder 12
- The Lo Lo of Ta-liang Shan.
  5 pages typescript.

Folder 13
- Lo Lo robbers and the Mu-li king.
  4 pages original, 3 pages typescript.

Folder 14
- Judgment and penalties in Mu-li.
  8 pages typescript.

Folder 15
- The beginning of the end of the Mu-li king; the murder of the Mu-li king; The end of Mu-li.
  23 pages original, 14 pages typescript.

Folder 16
- The Lake of Yung-ning.
  4 pages typescript.

Folder 17
- Lo Lo tribesmen bury their lepers alive; The Lo-lo of Ta-Liang shan.
  4 pages original, 2 pages typescript.

Folder 18
- For the Sake of Face.
  3 pages original, 2 pages typescript.

Folder 19
- Tibetan-Moslem war in West Kan-su.
  Handwritten RIF19-1. http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:22098
  Transcribed RIF19-1t. http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:43125
  7 pages original, 6 pages typescript.

Folder 20
- Sung-mas or Tibetan oracles of the Lama Church.
  6 pages original, 4 pages typescript.

Folder 21
- Inane Lamaist practices of Ra-gya monastery.
  Handwritten RIF21-1. http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:22099
  Transcribed RIF21-1t. http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:43126
Folder 22
- Missionaries in the West China.
  Handwritten RIF22-1. http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:22100
  Transcribed RIF22-1t. http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:43127
  13 pages original, 10 pages typescript.

Folder 23
- Murders of foreigners in Kunning.
  7 pages original, 5 pages typescript.

Folder 24
- West China bandits.
  40 pages original, 30 pages typescript.

Folder 25
- Rebellion in Kan-su of 1928.
  6 pages typescript.

Folder 26
- West China after the revolution including Yunnan industries.
  17 pages original, 13 pages typescript.

Folder 27
- Exit from China in 1927.
  Handwritten RIF27-1. http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:22101
  Transcribed RIF27-1t. http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:43128
  21 pages original, 14 pages typescript.

Folder 28
- From Knu-ming to Chao-tung.
  9 pages original, 7 pages typescript.

Folder 29
- High incarnation cannot visit...has to feed the Preta.
  4 pages original, 3 pages typescript.

Folder 30
- The beginning of motor cars in western China.
  3 pages original, 3 pages typescript.

Folder 31
- The Roosevelts come to Yung-ning and Mu-li.
  9 pages original, 6 pages typescript.

Folder 32
A square plug in a round hole.
17 pages original, 14 pages typescript.

- Folder 33
  - Among the tribes of the Yunnan (China); The Tibetans; The Nosu or Lolo.
    37 pages typescript.

- Folder 34
  - Two brides-to-be drown themselves.
    7 pages original.

- Folder 35
  - The Na-khi tribe...incomplete.
    2 pages typescript.

- Folder 36
  - Excerpts from letters, 1926-1929.
    7 pages original.

- Folder 37
  - Incomplete outline by J. F. Rock.

Figure above: Photo of J.F. Rock display in the Hunnewell Building of the Arnold Arboretum. June 17, 2011.

- Box 1A
  RI: Photocopies of the unpublished manuscripts

- Box 2

  Volume 1
    190 pages.

  Volume 2
    199 pages.

  Volume 3
    201 pages.

  Volume 4
  - Diary of Joseph F. Rock: Kansu Province. Aug. 31- Nov. 16, 1925.
    199 pages.

  Volume 5
    141 pages.
• Diary of Joseph F. Rock: Journey from Choni to Labrang and west to the Yellow River at Radja and beyond to the Amnyi Machen. Apr. 23-Aug. 20, 1926. 300 pages.
  o Volume 7
  o Volume 8
  o Folder 1
    • Diary of Joseph F. Rock Section 2: Feb. 21 - June 3, 1929. 35 pages.
    • Diary of Joseph F. Rock Section 3: May 6- June 8, 1934. 39 pages.

• Series: II Expedition Records and Distributions
  o Box 3
    RIIIa: Field notes from plant expeditions 1921-29. Index to Rock's plant material in the Arnold Arboretum Living Collections. (Links to online images coming soon)
  o Field Notes
    • Field notes of specimens collected Dec. 1921-Mar. 1924; Numbers 1547-11745.
      Approx 450 sheets. Carbon copies on legal size paper from original collection in the Smithsonian.
      Joseph Rock's Herbarium Specimens at the Harvard University Herbaria (copied from HUH 8/1/2001).
  o Index to Rock's Plant Material of the Arnold Arboretum Living Collections.
    The entries include the accession number and the botanical plant name.

    • 14-92. Buddleia alternifolia
    • 20587. Buddleia alternifolia
    • 891-81. Buddleia alternifolia
    • 919-87. Cotoneaster acutifolius
    • 950-85. Cotoneaster acutifolius
    • 1129-81. Cotoneaster horizontalis
    • 245-27. Cotoneaster przewalskii
    • 536-93. Cotoneaster przewalskii
    • 628-86. Cotoneaster rehderi
    • 1114-81. Cotoneaster taoensis
    • 20883. Cotoneaster taoensis
- 877-80. *Euonymus phellomanus*
- 50-77. *Juniperus communis*
- 824-94. *Juniperus communis*
- 1331-84. *Lonicera chrysantha* var. *longipes*
- 1113-83. *Lonicera ferdinandi*
- 855-82. *Lonicera ferdinandi*
- 185-92. *Malus sikkimensis* 'Rockii'
- 509-94. *Malus sikkimensis* 'Rockii'
- 83-34. *Malus sikkimensis* 'Rockii'
- 815-80. *Philadelphus kansuensis*
- 280-80. *Picea asperata*
- 388-87. *Picea asperata*
- 78-27. *Picea asperata*
- 526-55. *Prunus salicina*
- 21634. *Syringa pekinensis*
- 21635. *Syringa pekinensis*
- 241-95. *Syringa pekinensis*

United States Department of Agriculture Inventory of Plants and Seeds Imported by J.F. Rock, 1922 April-Jun [Nos. 71, 73, 55814-56144, 54969-55586, 56145-56790]

**Box 4**
- Book I: Dec 1924-July 1925; Numbers 12000-12950.
- Book II: July 1925-Dec 1925; Numbers 12951-13900.
- Book III: May 1926-Sept 1926; Numbers 13901-14850.
  - Folder 1
    - Specimen numbers 13401-13699.
  - Folder 2
    - Specimen numbers 14894-15095.
  - Folder 3
    - Specimen numbers scattered 12000s-15000s.

**Box 5**
RIIIa: Field notes made during the Arnold Arboretum Expedition 1924-1927. Four bound notebooks. Handwritten notes, numbers previously stamped in.
- Field notes made during 1928-1929; Numbers 16001-18540. Photocopies of the original field books kept at the Smithsonian.

**Box 6**
RIIIb: List of plant material distributed to institutions and individuals.
- Folder 1
  - List of material received by Harlan P. Kelsey from Rock's 1924-27 expedition.
• List of distributed seeds to the Morton Arboretum From Rock's 1924-27 expedition.
  o Box 6
    RIIIc: Arnold Arboretum's list of international seed distribution from the 1924-27 Expedition.
  o Folder 1
    • Arnold Arboretum's list of international seed distribution from the 1924-27 Expedition.
      Names and addresses of recipients, Number of packages sent, Contents not specified. 9 pages.

• Series: III Correspondence
  o Box 7
    R IVa. Letters written by Rock to the Arnold Arboretum during the expedition to China 1924-27.
  o Folder 1
    Rock Correspondence July 15 - Sept.1924. 17 letters.
    • Rock to C.S. Sargent 1924-07-15.
      Transcribed RIVAF1-1t. http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:43129
    • Rock to C.S. Sargent 1924-07-16.
      Handwritten RIVAF1-2. http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:33459
      Transcribed RIVAF1-2t. http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:43130
    • Rock to C.S. Sargent 1924-07-19.
      Transcribed RIVAF1-3t. http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:43131
    • Rock to C.S. Sargent 1924-07-24.
      Transcribed RIVAF1-4t. http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:43132
    • Rock to C.S. Sargent 1924-08-01.
      Transcribed RIVAF1-5t. http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:43133
    • Rock to C.S. Sargent 1924-08-09.
      Transcribed RIVAF1-6t. http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:43134
    • Rock to C.S. Sargent 1924-08-10.
      Transcribed RIVAF1-7t. http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:43135
    • Rock to C.S. Sargent 1924-08-17.
      Handwritten RIVAF1-8. http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:33460
      Transcribed RIVAF1-8t. http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:43136
    • Rock to C.S. Sargent 1924-08-22.
      Transcribed RIVAF1-9t. http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:43137
    • Rock to C.S. Sargent 1924-08-28.
      Handwritten RIVAF1-10. http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:33462
      Transcribed RIVAF1-10t. http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:43138
    • Rock to C.S. Sargent 1924-09-01.
      Transcribed RIVAF1-11t. http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:43139
    • Rock to C.S. Sargent 1924-09-09.
Folder 2
Rock’s letters from Yunnan, Szechuan, Kansu. Nov. 14, 1924 - May 26, 1925. 12 letters.

  Transcribed RIVA2-1t.  http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:43146
- Rock to C.S. Sargent 1924-12-08.  Handwritten RIVA2-2.  http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:33962
  Transcribed RIVA2-2t.  http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:43147
  Transcribed RIVA2-3t.  http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:43148
  Transcribed RIVA2-4t.  http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:43149
  Transcribed RIVA2-5t.  http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:43150
  Transcribed RIVA2-6t.  http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:43151
Rock to C.S. Sargent 1925-02-18.
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Rock to C.S. Sargent 1925-03-21.
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Rock to C.S. Sargent 1925-04-19.
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Rock to C.S. Sargent 1925-05-10.
Handwritten RIVaF2-10. http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:33970
Transcribed RIVaF2-10t. http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:43155

Rock to C.S. Sargent 1925-05-20.
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Transcribed RIVaF2-12t. http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:43157

Folder 3
May 29 - Aug. 9, 1925. Rock's letters from Kansu. 9 letters.

- Rock to C.S. Sargent 1925-05-29.
  Handwritten RIVaF3-1. http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:34199
  Transcribed RIVaF3-1t. http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:43158

- Tao, K.H. Tao to J.F. Rock 1925-06-05.
  Handwritten RIVaF3-2. http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:34200
  Transcribed RIVaF3-2t. http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:43159

- Lu, H.T. Lu to J.F. Rock 1925-06-09.
  Handwritten RIVaF3-3. http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:34201
  Transcribed RIVaF3-3t. http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:43160

- Rock to C.S. Sargent 1925-06-18.
  Handwritten RIVaF3-4. http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:34202
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- Rock to C.S. Sargent 1925-06-24.
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- Rock to C.S. Sargent 1925-06-29.
  Handwritten RIVaF3-6. http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:34204
  Transcribed RIVaF3-6t. http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:43163

- Rock to C.S. Sargent 1925-07-10.
  Handwritten RIVaF3-7. http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:34205
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Aug. 28 - Dec. 29, 1925. Rock's letters from Kansu. 18 letters.

- Graves, Ralph A. Graves to J.F. Rock 1925-08-28. Transcribed RIVaF4-1t. [http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:43167]
- Rock to C.S. Sargent 1925-09-10. Transcribed RIVaF4-2t. [http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:43168]
- Ranehner, C. Ranehner to J.F. Rock 1925-09-10. Transcribed RIVaF4-3t. [http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:43169]
- Rock to C.S. Sargent 1925-09-12. Transcribed RIVaF4-4t. [http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:43170]
- Rock to C.S. Sargent 1925-10-09. Transcribed RIVaF4-5t. [http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:43171]
- Rock to C.S. Sargent 1925-10-28. Transcribed RIVaF4-6t. [http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:43172]
- Rock to C.S. Sargent 1925-11-10. Transcribed RIVaF4-7t. [http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:43173]
- Rock to C.S. Sargent 1925-11-28. Transcribed RIVaF4-8t. [http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:43174]
- Rock to C.S. Sargent 1925-11-18. Transcribed RIVaF4-9t. [http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:43175]
- Rock to C.S. Sargent 1925-11-29. Transcribed RIVaF4-10t. [http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:43176]
- Rock to C.S. Sargent 1925-12-08.
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- Rock to C.S. Sargent 1925-12-09.
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- Rock to C.S. Sargent 1925-12-13.
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- Rock to C.S. Sargent 1925-12-20.
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- Rock to C.S. Sargent 1925-12-20.
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- Rock to C.S. Sargent 1925-12-24.
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- Rock to C.S. Sargent 1925-12-29.
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- Rock to C.S. Sargent 1927-04-10.
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- Rock to C.S. Sargent 1927-04-16.
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- Rock to C.S. Sargent 1927-05-08.
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  - Sargent to J.F. Rock 1925-08-18. 
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  - Sargent to A.L. Endicott 1925-08-18. 
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  - Sargent to A.L. Endicott 1925-08-28. 
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- Sargent to J.F. Rock 1925-12-31. Transcribed RIVaF8-21t. [http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:43283]
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R IVb. Itinerary travel documents, telegrams, lists and correspondence related to the China expedition, 1924-27

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Rock's itinerary of the Arnold Arboretum Western China Expedition 1924-25-26-27.
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Telegrams sent from Rock to Sargent. 23 telegrams.
- Rock to Arnold Arboretum. Cablegram - "Via Commercial." 1925-05-17. RIVbF2-1. [http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:ARB.JPLIB:34868]
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    - Short typed description of the expedition.
      by G.M.S. 1 page.

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    expedition. Letters to Mr. Lowell of Harvard University. 3 Letters.
    - Sargent to A. Lawrence Lowell 1924-09-30.
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  o Folder 5
    - Statement on Rock's belongings at the Arnold Arboretum.

  o Folder 6
    - Typed instructions by Rock on mailing of currency to China.
      1 page.

  o Folder 7
    - C. S. Sargent's letters of introduction for Rock.
      2 letters.

  o Folder 8
    - September 1926. Letters and telegrams from Rock.
      Letters sent in preparation for expedition. 25 pages.

  o Folder 9
    - Nov.1925 - Aug.1926. Letters received by Rock regarding expedition
      transportation.
      9 letters.

  o Folder 10
    - Letters received by Rock from the British Consulate, General Kalgar.
      2 letters.

  o Folder 11
    - 1926. Letters received by Rock from E. F. Stanton, Kalgar, China.
      1 letter.

  o Folder 12
    - Rock's Arboretum Expedition accounts.
      2 pages.

  o Folder 13
    - Summary of shipments received from Rock.
      Numbers only. 3 pages.

  o Folder 14
    Outram Bangs and C. S. Sargent correspondence regarding the 1924-1927
    expedition. 10 letters.
    - Bangs to C.S. Sargent 1925-10-29.
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  ▪ Bangs to C.S. Sargent 1926-03-17.
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  ▪ 1930-35. Letters to Alfred Rehder from USA, Likiang, Yunnan. 12 letters.
  o Folder 2
  ▪ 1931. Letter to Oakes Ames from Likiang, Yunnan. 2 letters.
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- 1947-49. Letters to Serge Elisseeff from Likiang, Yunnan.
  15 letters.

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  1 letter.

Folder 5
- 1947. Letters to Dr. Stillman from Likiang, Yunnan.
  2 letters.

Folder 6
- 1936-51. Letters to E. D. Merrill from China, Hong-Kong, India, Europe, USA.
  81 letters.

Folder 7
  Signed by E. D. Merrill. 1 letter.
  To E. D. Merrill. 1 letter.

Box 8
R V. Correspondence with Various Contacts at the Smithsonian, The National Geographic Society, And the Department Of Agriculture In Washington, D.C., 1922-60.

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  6 letters.

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- 1923-60. Various letters, contracts, reports related to Rock's work for the National Geographic Society.

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- 1925-36. Letters to Ralph E. Graves, National Geographic Society from China.
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  9 letters.

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R VI. Rock's Correspondence with His Nephew Robert Koc in Vienna.

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  84 letters.

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  5 letters.

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  - R VIIa. Published material written by J. F. Rock
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- **Monograph**
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- Edwards, Mike. 1991. *Our Man in China: Joseph Rock.* *National Geographic* 191:1 62-81. "Joseph F. Rock was an explorer, writer and photographer for the National Geographic from 1922 to 1935. Rock's works and experiences during his Explorations of China are recounted. Rock initially traveled there as a botanist in 1913 searching for medicinal tree seeds."

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Series: V Photographs
The Arboretum collection of over 1,000 Rock photographs and/or negatives is well documented, with descriptive captions that include botanical, ethnographical, and geographical data, and in some cases narratives of the incident or object photographed. The collection consists of Rock's USDA expeditions and travels to Burma, France, China, Hawaii, India and Siam from 1920-1922 as well as the Arnold Arboretum Expedition to Northeastern China and Northwestern Tibet from 1924-1927. The Expedition photographs can be viewed by searching the Visual Information Access catalog, VIA.

A limited number of the photographs have been published in various works on Rock. In 1974, S. B. Sutton wrote In China's Border Provinces: The Turbulent Career of Joseph Rock Botanist-Explorer and used selected photographs from the National Geographic Society, Harvard-Yenching and the Arnold Arboretum collections. In 1992, an exhibition/publication "Lamas, Princes, and Brigands: Joseph Rock's Photographs of the Tibetan Borderlands of China" was organized for the China Institute in America by Michael Aris with National Geographic and Harvard-Yenching photographs.

The collection is maintained as mounted prints in the "Foreign Views" section, and two drawers of negatives and as three albums. The mounted prints are in good condition, as are the albums. The nitrate negatives range in condition from destroyed, poor, fair, to good and need to be transferred to safety film.

The collection consists of approximately 346 mounted prints and 374 negatives from the Arboretum or R series, 800 prints and/or negatives from the USDA series and 300 album prints from the USDA series, and ten colored glass plates.

Figure: China (Yunnan). Rock, Joseph Francis Charles (1884-1962). 1922.

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  - USDA Rock Photograph Series:

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  - USDA Rock Photograph Series:

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R IX Photographs
- USDA Rock Photograph Series:
    Regional documentation includes: Yunnan: muang hun; muang hai. Yunnan: chien rung (aka keng hung, chin lung kiang): muang hing; szemao; puerfu; mohei; hsinfu; chehu; ching ting; nanchien; talifu; liangchang plain; ngulke; shia shui chi; shutang; sadon (Br. Terr.) liakiang.
    Subjects include: trees; caravan; people; river transport; village; street scene; religious procession; salt mines; architecture; agricultural practices; terraced rice fields; sugar production; cormorant production; sculpture; pagoda; landscape; plant collections.
    (Documentation compiled by Gwyneira Issac, November 1996.)
- File Drawer
  R IX Photographs
  USDA Rock Photograph Series:
      Joseph Rock carried out his first expedition for the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) in 1920. This collection of approximately 800 5x7 prints and/or negatives was sent to the Arnold Arboretum for safe keeping for fear of them being lost at the USDA.
- Box 14
  R IX Photographs
  J. F. Rock 10 colored glass plates.
  J. F. Rock Portrait photographs and expedition sites.
- Boxes 15-17
  Rock photographs from Arnold Arboretum Expedition 1924-1927 Northwestern China and Northeastern Tibet
  R Series, Approx 630 photographs.
  Images can be viewed by searching the Visual Information Access (VIA) catalog. These photographs were taken during the Arnold Arboretum Expedition to Northeastern China and Northwestern Tibet from 1924-1927 by Joseph F. Rock. Rock provided detailed documentation for each photograph, which is included in this index.
  Documentation of destroyed Rock negatives
  Library Digital Initiative grants and permissions
- File Drawer
  R IX Photographs
  Rock negatives from Arnold Arboretum Expedition 1924-1927 Northwestern China and Northeastern Tibet.
  Approx 374 negatives
- Series: VI Maps
  - Box 18
    R X Maps.
Joseph Rock's hand drawn maps of northwestern China and northeastern Tibet
22"x25" 18 sections attached to cloth, mounted on 3 sheets; includes an index and one page of explanations; Also included are photocopies of Rock's 18 original maps (18"x22") with latitude and longitude lines added, and two additional maps marked "Northwestern Yunnan," stamped "Feb 25 1946" (23"x18"), which were transferred from the Botany Libraries in December 1997. HOLLIS accession BHM6158, call number AA0424.

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