BOOTH FAMILY.
Booth Family collection, 1890-1938

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Descriptive Summary

Creator: Booth Family.
Title: Booth Family collection, 1890-1938
Call Number: Manuscript Collection No. 124
Extent: 0.1 cubic ft. (4 folders)
Abstract: Consists of correspondence and photograph postcards from the Booth Family.
Language: Materials entirely in English.

Administrative Information

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Collection Description

Biographical Note
William Booth, founder and first general of the Salvation Army, was born in Nottingham, England, in 1829. He was a minister of the Methodist New Connexion (sic) from 1855 to 1861 when he and his wife, Catherine Mumford, left the movement to start their street ministry. This ministry was formally organized as the Salvation Army in 1878. Their eldest son, William Bramwell, served as chief of staff of the Salvation Army until his father’s death in 1912 when he

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became general. His sister, Evangeline, served as commander of the U.S. Salvation Army from 1904 until 1934 when she became the general of the international organization.

**Scope and Content Note**

This collection consists of correspondence and photograph postcards dating from ca. 1890 to 1938. The letters were written by William Booth, Bramwell Booth, and Evangeline Booth concerning Salvation Army business. The letters written by William Booth are primarily words of encouragement to other Salvation Army officers. There is one letter to Colonel and Mrs. David C. Lamb acknowledging their words of sympathy on the death of Catherine Mumford Booth in 1890. The collection contains one letter written by Bramford Booth to Alderman Wakefield in December 1914 requesting assistance in meeting the social needs created by England’s participation in World War I. The correspondence of Evangeline Booth is all written to either David C. Lamb or to his wife. These letters acknowledge her appreciation for the Lamb’s support and friendship as well as concern about the health of Mrs. Lamb. The photograph postcards include one picture of a Salvation Army wagon and a picture of William Booth speaking from a car.
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