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## Introduction

This small collection of .5 linear feet consists of photocopied records related to the Chiengrung Station of the Lacs or North Siam Mission of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America. The originals are located in the Presbyterian Historical Society, Philadelphia, USA. (Record Group 84). These records relate to the founding of the Chiengrung Station and to the work of the Rev. William C. Dodd consisting primarily of Board of Foreign Mission-North Siam Mission correspondence.

## Historical Statement

The Chiengrung Station was founded in 1917 by Dr. C. W. Mason and the Rev. L. J. Beebe as an alternative site to the controversial Kengtung Station in Burma. The Rev. and Mrs. C. W. Dodd joined the station in 1918. Early work was conducted primarily among lepers. 1923 the Board of Foreign Missions made the Station an independent Mission called the Yunnan Mission. Later the Mission was returned to the care of the American Presbyterian Mission in Siam. In the period 1925-1935, the Station grew most rapidly and established a school, a hospital, and a church. However, after 1936 the number of missionaries station in Chiengrung declined. During World War II the Station was abandoned, and a post-War survey of the Station resulted in the permanent abandonment of the Chiengrung Station.

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