

MANUSCRIPT DIVISION

Payap College

Record Group Board of Directors, Chiang Mai Coeducational Center
Control Number 003/78
Inclusive Dates 1954-1975
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Introduction

This is a small record group consisting of 1½ linear feet of records of the Board of Directors for the Chiangmai Coeducational Center. These records were given to the Manuscript Division by Dr. Konrad Kingshill, Chairman of the Board, in 1978. The entire period from 1954 to 1975 is well represented with documents, and the records are evenly spread out throughout the period. Considering that these records were passed from chairman they are quite complete. The records tend to emphasize school administration and finances rather than the actual instructional program of the school. The records fall into four sections: correspondence, minutes and reports, finances, and a miscellany.

Historical Statement

The Chiangmai Coeducational Center is a small, foreign community school located in Chiangmai. It was founded by the American Presbyterian Mission for the purpose of providing an English language, American-style education for children of the Mission. The school was founded in 1954 after several years of preparation. In 1949-1950 a small school had been run by the Presbyterian Mission, but this school did not continue.

Significant Events

- 1954 - founded at the old McGilvary residence with Miss Amala Rose Wood as the first teacher.
- 1957 - Charles D. Messinger became the first full-time principal. He and his wife opened the boarding department.
- 1958 - the school moved into a new location and buildings at the old McKean house behind Prince Royal's College.
- 1964 - the name of the school was changed from Chiangmai Children's Center to Chiangmai Coeducational Center.

- 1965 - school enrollment increased by nearly 100% reaching 100.
- the Sub-committee of the Committee on the Education of Fraternal Workers' Children which was responsible for CCC was re-named the Board of Directors
- 1976 - boarding program suspended
- 1978 - school enrollment declined to below 70 students

Comments

This small records group reflects the work of the Board of Directors, originally the Chiangmai Sub-committee. The records were in very good shape when they were received although filing did not consistently follow the established subject headings of the folders. Because the records had passed through several hands the kinds of records kept varied somewhat. The largest single problem in processing these records was the diverse nature of many of the folder subject headings. They did not always fit into neat categories. Therefore, this record group has an unusually large miscellany section. A second problem was that of correspondence of the same nature filed under various and inconsistent subject headings. This problem was solved by bringing all correspondence except that related to government registration into one general correspondence file.

On the whole this is an excellent little record group and is invaluable to the study of the history of CCC. It also gives some insight into the changes in the nature of the foreign community in Chiangmai as well as insight into some of the family and program problems of the American Presbyterian Mission. Significant individuals would include Charles Messinger, Frances Hamlin, Betsy Guyer, and Horace Ryburn.

Further research at the Manuscript Division should include the Records of the American Presbyterian Mission 001/78 (a) which contains several folders on CCC. The Records of the Thailand Baptist Missionary Fellowship contain a few folders of records of individuals who worked at CCC plus good files pertaining to the CCC hostel. In addition, the Division has a copy of an unpublished history of CCC written by Herbert R. Swanson in 1980. The Manuscript Division also holds the Records of the Chiang Mai Coeducational Center

Herbert Swanson

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11			1972-1974
12	Government Registration	corr	1959-1971
13	Thailand Commission Letters	corr	1956-1971
14	Notes	notes	n.d.
15	Committee on Education of Missionary Children	minutes	1954-1970
16	Chiangmai Subcommittee	minutes	1959-1965
17	Board of Directors	minutes	1965-1966

Box Number Two:

Folder 1	Board of Directors	minutes	1967
2			1968
3			1969
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5			1971-1974
6	Teachers' Meetings	minutes	1959-1967
7	Annual Reports	reports	1967-1972

Box Number Two: (Continued)

Folder 8	Committee on Education of Missionary Children	reports & Policy statements	1954-1973
9	Principal	reports	1968-1973
10		misc, reports	
11	budget	financial	1956-1974
12	statements	financial	1961-1974
13	Teachers' Salaries	financial	1971-1975
14	miscellaneous	financial	
15	Committee on Education of Fraternal Workers' Children	misc	
16	Parent Teacher Group	misc	1959-1973
17	Proposed Constitutions	misc	1965, 1968
18	Enrollment Lists	misc	1955-1974

Box Number Three:

Folder 1	Historical Sketches	misc	
2	Parent & Faculty Information Sheets	misc	1960-1974
3	Brochure	misc	1961
4	School Calendars	misc	1967-1972
5	Staff lists, contracts	misc	
6	International Schools	misc	
7	Property	misc	
8	Miscellaneous	misc	
	Photographs	misc	
	Lesson Plans (Ruth Seely)	misc	
	Photograph Album	misc	1958

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Subjects

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Descriptive List

P-1 to P-44 are unique prints, 14 x 9, and dated 1958-1959.

- P-1 "Chiang Mai Children's Center 6 Classroom Building Dedicated August 1958"
- P-2 "Duplex - Teacher's House" also known as the Grether House or the McKean House
- P-3 CCC library incl. Ach Tongkam Puntupongse, Rev Sinclair Thompson, Rev Charles D. Messinger, and Ach Sritong Ariyawongse
- P-4 The sala incl Messinger and boys playing ball
- P-5 Same subject as P-4
- P-6 The Students and faculty, September 1958
- P-7 The children in "Morning Chapel"
- P-8 First Grade
- P-9 First Grade
- P-10 Second Grade
- P-11 Third Grade
- P-12 Fourth and Fifth Grades
- P-13 Fourth and Fifth Grades
- P-14 Sixth, Seventh and Eighth Grades
- P-15 CCC Building Dedication Program incl Rev Richard Bryant(left), Dr.Edwin B. McDaniel (center), and Jane Arp(behind McDaniel)
- P-16 Rev. Sinclair Thompson leading Dedication Program
- P-17 Amala Rose Wood leading Dedication Program
- P-18 Dedication Open House. Messinger with Ach Tongkam and Kru Umporn Puntupongse
- P-19 Dedication Open House
- P-20 Dedication Open House. Ach Sritong
- P-21 Dedication refreshments
- P-22 same subject as P-21

P-23 School play "King Woogley and the Whistling Wind of the Western World"

P-24 same subject as P-23

P-25 School play "The Ugly Duckling"

P-26 same Subject as P-25

P-27 Charles D. Messinger Family in front of Boarding House

P-28 Children playing in Boarding House

P-29 Children in the Boarding House study room

P-30 School play "Rip Van Winkle" December 1958

P-31 same subject as P-30

P-32 same subject as P-30

P-33 same subject as P-30

P-34 same subject as P-30

P-35 same subject as P-30

P-36 same subject as P-30

P-37 same subject as P-30

P-38 same subject as P-30

P-39 same subject as P-30

P-40 same subject as P-30

P-41 same subject as P-23

P-42 Christmas play, 1959

P-43 Christmas play, 1959

P-44 Christmas play, 1959

P-45 to P-50 are unique prints, 6½ x 6½, and dated 1959.

P-45 Christmas play

P-46 Christmas play

P-47 Christmas play

P-48 Christmas play

P-49 Christmas play

P-50 Christmas play

P-51 (u.p.); paper; 14 x 9, Christmas program with Messinger 1959

P-52 same photograph as P-1 1958

P-53 apartment and classroom building ca.1958

P-54 Christmas Program 1959

P-55	(u.p.), 14 x 9,	Student demonstration on electricity	ca.1959
P-56		same subject as P-55	ca.1959
P-57	9 x 7,	Children being served refreshments	n.d.
P-58	7 x 9,	same subject as P-57 *	n.d.
P-59	10½ x 7,	Airport scene with Mrs. Charolette McDaniel and Family members	n.d.
P-60		McDaniels being seen off at Chiang Mai Railroad Station	n.d.
P-61		same subject as P-60	n.d.
P-62		same subject as P-60	n.d.
P-63		same subject as P-60	n.d.
P-64		same subject as P-60	n.d.
P-65	8½ x 6,	Unidentified meeting incl missionaries and Thai Christians	n.d.
P-66		Dr.John Guyer speaking at P-65 meeting	n.d.
P-67		same subject at P-65	n.d.
P-68	9 x 6½,	Missionary - Thai get - together	n.d.
P-69		John and Betsy Guyer on train	n.d.
P-70 to P-75 are unique prints, 14 x 9, and undated.			
P-70		Students in classroom	
P-71		same subject as P-70	
P-72		Classroom	
P-73		Classroom building	
P-74		Classroom building	
P-75		Classroom building	
P-76	(u.p.), 27 x 23,	CCC Building	1973
P-77	31 x 23,	same subject as P-1	1958