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Descriptive Summary

Collection Number

Record Group 6-5

Language

Materials in this collection are in English.

Creator

Francis Holmes Styles

Physical Characteristics

2 boxes

Repository

Falls Church History Room, Mary Riley Styles Public Library

Administrative Information

Conditions Governing Access

The collection is open for research use.

Immediate Source of Acquisition

All files were donated by Kathleen Styles.

Processing Information

The processing, arrangement, and description of this collection was completed on April 8, 2026.

Adjunct Descriptive Data

Related Material

Related vertical files are "Styles, Mary Edwards Riley", "Styles, Mary Riley", "Styles, Elizabeth Morgan", "Styles Family", and "Styles, Francis Holmes Family".

Biographical/Historical Note

Francis Holmes Styles was born December 15, 1895, in Lansdowne, Pennsylvania. For 32 years Francis Styles worked for the US Department of State and built a brilliant diplomatic career. He served as counsel general in Dublin, Shanghai, and Goteborg.

Francis Holmes Styles is son of Samuel Styles and Mary Riley Styles, after whom the library in the City of Falls Church is named.

In 2023, Francis Styles's daughter, Kathleen Styles, made a generous donation of letters and photographs to the Mary Riley Styles Public Library History Room.

Scope and Content

The materials include letters and photographs.

Arrangement

All documents are organized chronologically.

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Series 1: Styles Family Letters

Letters, 1913

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Letters, 1913

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Box 2

Series 1: Styles Family Letters (con't)

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