

MURPHY COLLECTION FRANCIS AND CLARE MURPHY COLLECTION

- Provenance:** The Francis and Clare Murphy Collection was a gift from Francis Murphy.
- Ownership:** Reed College owns the Francis and Clare Murphy Collection.
- Access:** Please contact the Special Collections Librarian for information about the Collection.
- Size:** The Collection consists of 11 manuscript boxes and two photography albums, 6 linear feet.
- Processed by:** Mark Kuestner; Zarina Bell '09
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Biography

Francis Seward Murphy was born September 14, 1914, in Portland, Oregon. He attended Alameda Grade School and Grand High School. He graduated with an Anthropology degree from Reed College in 1936. He died in Portland, of complications from polyneuropathy on March 29, 2003 at the age of 88.

He was a delegate from Reed College to the Japan-America Student Conference in Tokyo, Japan in 1936.

He worked for the Oregonian beginning in 1936, as a office boy, and served in the U.S. army from 1942-1946. He returned to the Oregonian to organize a new microfilm system, and to assist the radio columnist, after the war. He became the radio and television editor in 1952, writing the column: "Behind the Mike." He retired in 1979.

He had a lifelong interest in archeology, having met and spoken at length with famed Egyptologist Howard Carter, at the age of 9 in 1922. In later life, he took many trips to Mayan ruins—and made significant discoveries in Quintana Roo. His interest in archeology and photography led to his publication of "Dragon Mask Temples in Central Yucatan" in 1988.

His second wife was Clare Eastham Cooke (Reed '38). They were married in 1974, dividing their time between winters in Hong Kong, summers in Portland, and traveling the world. Clare died in 1991, and Francis retired to Portland.

Scope and Content

The Francis and Clare Murphy Collection consists of photographs and slides from many trips around the world—with particular emphasis on China. In addition there are scattered newsclippings, photographic negatives as well as miscellaneous Viewmaster cards.

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3. China 1982 II: Kunming, Canton, Guilin, Li River, 1982.
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6. China 1982 V: Xian: Banpo Neolithic Village, Little Wild Goose Pagoda, Zhaoling

7. Mausoleum, Princess Yungtai Murals, Qianling Mausoleum, Big Wild Goose Pagoda, Xian Yang Museum, 1982.
8. Peking: Temple of Heaven, Forbidden City, 1983.
9. Peking: Forbidden City, Marco Polo Bridge, Peking Man Cave, 1983.
10. Peking Man Cave, Yungang Caves, Datong, 1983.
11. Datong, Yungang Grottoes, Kuan Yin Tang Temple, Shanhua Monastery, 1983.
12. Datong, Nine Dragon Screen, Huyan Monastery, Steam Locomotive, Factory, 1983.
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12. Yangtze, May 22-26, Gezhou Dam, Jingzhou Museum, Wall and Gate, Shasai Longevity Pagoda, Changlingji Oil Refinery, Wuhan University, Rasp Lake, Musical, Cocktail Party, Free Market, Hankow Buildings, Kun Lun Bridge, 1984.

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1. No Book
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3. Ming Tombs, 1985.
4. Beijing, Ming Tombs, April 1985.
5. Beijing, Ming Tombs, 1985.
6. Beijing, Ming Tombs, Eastern Mausoleum, 1985.
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8. Peking, Old Summer Palace, 1985.
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10. Chengde, Peking, Lama Temple, Qufu, 1985.
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3. Yangtze River Trip: Lushan Mts., Nanjing museum, Jade Suit, Tomb of Sun Yat Sen, etc., May 1984.
4. Quintana Roo, Tulum, 1988-89.
5. Vancouver, BC, Portland, Misc., 1988.

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1. Hong Kong, 1976.
2. Hong Kong, Macau, St. Paul's Church, 1976.
3. Hong Kong, Man Mo temple, Lok Ma Chan, Ma Kok Miu Temple, Macau, Aberdeen, 1976.
4. Beidaihe, Ming Tombs, Temple of Heaven, Peking, Summer Palace, Beijing, Forbidden City,
5. Shanghai, Canton-Kowloon, 1980.

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1. Kowloon, Summer Palace, Beijing, Tiananmen, Ming Tombs, Shanhaiguan, Beidaihe, Shanghai, 1980.
2. Shanhaiguan, Shanghai, Peking, Beijing, 1980.
3. Taiwan, National Palace, Taipei, Alishan, 1892.
4. Xian, Stone Forest, Dragon Gate, Pottery Figures, Kunming, Glucilin, Changsha, 1982.
5. Chunking, Yangtze, Lushan Mountains, Ming Tombs, Tomb of Sun Yat Sen, 1984.

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1. Yangtze, Lushan Mountains, Yangzhou, Ming Tombs Nanjing, Shibao Block, Wuhan University, 1984.
2. Peking I, Ming Temple, Ming Tombs, Eastern Mausoleum, April 1985.
3. Peking II, Chengde, Peking, Great Wall, Qufu, April 1985.
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5. Imperial Palaces in Peking slide set.
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1. Yangtze River, map of trip and newsclippings, May 1984.
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