

Cuban Educational Association of the United States of America Records

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Collection Summary

Title: Cuban Educational Association of the United States of America Records

Span Dates: 1897-1954

Bulk Dates: (bulk 1898-1901)

ID No.: MSS17384

Creator: Cuban Educational Association of the United States of America

Extent: 1,500 items

Extent: 5 containers

Extent: 2.0 linear feet

Language: Collection material in English and Spanish

Location: Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

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Summary: Educational association founded in 1898 to assist Cuban and Puerto Rican students securing an education in the United States. Correspondence, application forms, rosters, scrapbooks, financial records, photographs of students, and other records concerning the activities of the association and, after its dissolution in 1903, the Cuban and Puerto Rican students it had aided.

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the LC Catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically.

People

Astor, John Jacob, 1864-1912--Correspondence.

Butler, Nicholas Murray, 1862-1947--Correspondence.

Conger, Laura D. (Laura Darby)--Correspondence.

Harroun, Gilbert K. (Gilbert King), 1835-1901--Correspondence.

Low, Seth, 1850-1916--Correspondence.

Roosevelt, Theodore, 1858-1919--Correspondence.

Shaw, Albert, 1857-1947--Correspondence.

Wheeler, Joseph, 1836-1906--Correspondence.

Wood, Leonard, 1860-1927--Correspondence.

Organizations

Cuban Educational Association of the United States of America.

Subjects

Cubans--Education--United States.

Education--United States.

Puerto Ricans--Education--United States.

Students, Foreign--United States.

Provenance

The records of the Cuban Educational Association of the United States of America, an organization founded to promote educational exchanges between Cuba, Puerto Rico, and the United States, were transferred to the Manuscript Division from the United States Department of Health, Education, and Welfare in 1956.

Processing History

The records of the Cuban Educational Association of the United States of America were described in the *Library of Congress Information Bulletin*, vol. 15, no. 42 (Oct. 15, 1956), pp. 549-550.

Copyright Status

The status of copyright in the unpublished writings in the records of the Cuban Educational Association is governed by the Copyright Law of the United States (Title 17, U.S.C.).

Access and Restrictions

The records of the Cuban Educational Association of the United States of America are open to research. Researchers are advised to contact the Manuscript Reading Room prior to visiting. Many collections are stored off-site and advance notice is needed to retrieve these items for research use.

Preferred Citation

Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: Container number, Cuban Educational Association of the United States of America Records, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Scope and Content Note

The records of the Cuban Educational Association of the United States of America span the years 1897-1954 with the bulk of the material dated 1898-1901. The association, founded in 1898 to aid Cuban and Puerto Rican students in securing an education in the United States, was dissolved in 1903. The records include correspondence, application forms, rosters, scrapbooks, financial records, and photographs of students.

The bulk of the collection consists of correspondence of the association's secretary-treasurer, Gilbert K. Harroun. Harroun corresponded with representatives of schools, colleges, and universities throughout the country. Among his correspondents were John Jacob Astor, Nicholas Murray Butler, Seth Low, Theodore Roosevelt, Albert Shaw, Joseph Wheeler, and Leonard Wood, as well as numerous Cubans and Puerto Ricans seeking the aid of the association. Following Harroun's death in 1901, the association went into decline, and the remaining correspondence is primarily addressed to his assistant, Laura D. Conger.

The collection also contains lists and photographs of students, financial records, applications, and scrapbooks documenting the establishment and accomplishments of the association.

Arrangement of the Papers

This collection is arranged alphabetically by type of material.

Container List

Container	Contents
BOX 1	Applications, 1899-1900
BOX 1	Correspondence
BOX 1	1898, Mar.-Dec. (3 folders)
BOX 1	1899
BOX 1	Jan.-Apr. (4 folders)
BOX 2	May-Dec. (9 folders)
BOX 3	1900-1954 (9 folders)
BOX 3	Financial records, 1899-1901, undated
BOX 4	Garcia, Calixto, 1899
BOX 4	Lists of students
BOX 4	Cuba, undated
BOX 4	Puerto Rico, undated
BOX 4	Miscellany, 1897-1901, 1924, 1945, undated (3 folders)
BOX 4	Photographs
BOX 4	1897-1900
BOX 5	Undated (3 folders)
BOX 5	Scrapbooks
BOX 5	Clippings, 1898-1900
BOX 5	General, 1898-1929