

HULL-CULVER PAPERS

These papers are xerox copies of the correspondence and other material pertaining to the family of the original owner of Hull-House, Charles Jerold Hull. The history of the Hull family, as well as of their relations the Culvers and the Ewings, deserves as much study as that of the founders of the social settlement and those who, in one way or another, contributed to its development. Helen Culver, in particular, should be studied and understood, for she established the link between the family of Charles Hull and the settlement which carried the Hull name. A cousin of Charles Hull, she became his housekeeper after the death of his wife, and attended his children. But her closeness to Charles Hull, financier and successful businessman, was not confined to her housekeeping role. Eventually, she came to assume all of his business responsibilities, while he travelled across the country in pursuit of his far-flung business enterprises.*

These papers consist of correspondence between various members of the Hull, Culver, and Ewing families, as well as between various members of Hull-House Board of Trustees, 1848-1955; clippings about Mrs. Bowen, Jane Addams' Civic Dinner of 1927, and the death of Helen Culver, 1925-1950; a poem about Jane Addams by Bradley W. Aspinwall; lists of donors to the Fresh Air Endowments for Hull-House children, 1938-1948; a periodical dated 1949; 1948 annual report of Hull-House; July, 1944 quarterly report of Hull-House; announcements of Hull-House activities, 1935; a speech by Helen Culver on opening the Hull-House Boys' Club; an article about Fredrika Hull; and 1938 financial report of Hull-House.

The Hull-Culver Papers pertain to the business affairs of Charles Jerold Hull; the children of Charles Jerold Hull, namely Fredrika Hull Bremer and Charles Hull, Jr.; Helen Culver's relations with her cousin Charles Jerold Hull; the finances of Hull-House and appeals by members of its board of contributions; the 1927 Civic Dinner honoring Jane Addams in Chicago, Illinois; improvements in the Bowen Country Club physical facilities; Jane Addams' health during her later years; the 90th birthday of Louise DeKoven Bowen; inquiries regarding activities of the Immigrants' Legal Aid Society, in Chicago, Illinois; activities of the Boys' Club, the Actors' Guild, and the Peace Committee of Hull-House; correspondence of Charles Hull Ewing and Mary Ewing with Louise DeKoven Bowen, various Chicago businessmen, with members of his family, and with Margaret Drier Robins.

When received, these xerox copies were unarranged. Subsequently, all correspondence was arranged alphabetically under the writer's last name, and everything else alphabetically by subject.

These papers appear under the following titles:

*For a brief sketch of Helen Culver's life and her philanthropic activities, see: "Helen Culver", by Thomas W. Goodspeed, in The University Record, Vol. IX, No. I, January, 1923.

See also: "Helen Culver", by Thomas W. Goodspeed, in The University of Chicago Biographical Sketches, Chicago: University of Chicago Press: 1925. LD 918 .66

1. Addams, Jane - Civic Dinner Honoring Jane Addams
January - February, 1927
2. Addams, Jane - Letters to A. M. Welch
June, 1927
3. Addams, Jane - Letters to Charles Hull Ewing
December, 1930 - November, 1931
4. Addams, Jane - Letters to Mary Everts Ewing
December, 1930
5. Ballard, Russell - Letters to Charles Hull Ewing
August, 1944 - April, 1955
6. Blair, Helen McCormick - Letters to Charles Hull Ewing
January, 1949
7. B. C. C. News - Periodical
August, 1949
8. Bowen, Louise DeKoven - Advanced Age, clipping
February, 1949 - October, 1950
9. Bowen, Louise DeKoven - Letters to Charles Hull Ewing
November, 1931 - December, 1950
10. Bradley, William Aspinwall - Poem about Jane Addams
n.d.
11. Carr, Charlotte - Letters to Charles Hull Ewing
June - November, 1938
12. Crawford, Randall - Letters to Charles Hull Ewing
August - November, 1938
13. Culver, Helen - Letters to Charles Hull Ewing
January, 1893 - January, 1908
14. Culver, Helen - Letters to Charles Jerold Hull
August, 1873 - February, 1880
15. Culver, Helen - Letters to "Dear Nelly"
January, 1891
16. Culver, Helen - Letters to "My Dear Sue"
September, 1881
17. Culver, Helen - Letters to William Rainey Harper
December, 1895
18. Culver, Helen - Obituaries
August, 1925 - March, 1926
19. Culver, Helen - Speech on Opening of Boys' Club at Hull-House
n.d.
20. Dobbs, Harrison Allen - Letters to Charles Hull Ewing
January, 1937 - November, 1938
21. Ewing, Charles Hull - Letters to Alma Petersen
November, 1950
22. Ewing, Charles Hull - Letters to Britton I. Budd
February, 1948
23. Ewing, Charles Hull - Letters to Charlotte Carr
July - October, 1938
24. Ewing, Charles Hull - Letters to Elaine Switzer
May, 1947
25. Ewing, Charles Hull - Letters to Elizabeth McManus
August, 1931
26. Ewing, Charles Hull - Letters to Father
September, 1885

27. Ewing, Charles Hull - Letters to Harriet Welling
October, 1938
28. Ewing, Charles Hull - Letters to Harrison Allen Dobbs
January - May, 1938
29. Ewing, Charles Hull - Letters to Helen Culver
January, 1908
30. Ewing, Charles Hull - Letters to Helen McCormick Blair
January, 1949
31. Ewing, Charles Hull - Letters to Jane Addams
January, 1927 - December, 1931
32. Ewing, Charles Hull - Letters to Louise DeKoven Bowen
November, 1931 - November, 1950
33. Ewing, Charles Hull - Letters to Mary Rozet Smith
December, 1931
34. Ewing, Charles Hull - Letters to R. T. Miller, Jr.
August, 1938
35. Ewing, Charles Hull - Letters to Russell Ballard
September, 1944 - April, 1950
36. Gigliotti, Cairoli - Letters to Charles Hull Ewing
July - November, 1931
37. Harper, William Rainey - Letters to Helen Culver
December, 1895 - April, 1897
38. Hocking, Katherine - Letters to "My Precious Angels"
March, 1932
39. Hull, Charles - Letters to "Dearest People"
December, 1870
40. Hull, Charles - Letters to Fredrika Bremer Hull
October, 1866 - July, 1869
41. Hull, Charles - Letters to Helen Culver
November, 1867 - June, 1876
42. Hull, Charles - Letters to Jebez Loomis
August, 1848
43. Hull, Charles - Letters to W. A. Loomis
November, 1881
44. Hull, Fredrika Bremer - Article about Fredrika Hull
n.d.
45. Hull, Fredrika Bremer - Letters to Helen Culver
November, 1860
46. Hull-House - Announcements of Activities
March, 1935
47. Hull-House - Annual Report
1948
48. Hull-House - Financial Report
January - October, 1938
49. Hull-House - Fresh Air Endowments for Hull-House Children
June, 1938 - June, 1948
50. Hull-House - Letters of Solicitations for Funds
March - April, 1938
51. Hull-House - Miscellaneous Papers
July - December, 1931
52. Hull-House - Quarterly Reports
July, 1944

53. Loomis, W.A. - Letters to Charles Hull
January, 1889
54. Luebey, George - Letters to Charles Hull Ewing
February, 1948
55. McManus, Elizabeth - Letters to Charles Hull Ewing
September, 1931
56. Miller, R.T. - Letters to Charles Hull Ewing
August, 1938
57. Petersen, Alma - Letters and Receipts to Charles Hull Ewing
January, 1943 - November, 1950
58. Rich, Adena Miller - Letters to A.B. Dick
December, 1930
59. Rich, Adena Miller - Letter to Joel Hunter
December, 1930
60. Robins, Margaret Drier - Letters to Mary Everts Ewing
December, 1939-December, 1940
61. Smith, Mary Rozet - Letters to Charles Hull Ewing
August, 1925 - January, 1932
62. Treat, Charles Payson - Letters to Charles Hull
July, 1872
63. Welling, Harriet - Letters to Charles Hull Ewing
October, 1938
64. Culver, Helen - Notes
n.d.

The Hull-Culver Papers were obtained by the Curator of Hull-House in November of 1967

Addendum

Includes items culled from the Jane Addams Memorial Collection Small Manuscript File. Folders 67 and 69 were found at the Jane Addams' Hull-House Museum.

65. Culver, Helen - death and will - newspaper articles
August - November, 1925
66. Hull, Charles Jerold - article
n.d.
67. Hull, Charles Jerold - letter to
August, 1848 - October, 187-
68. Hull, Charles Jerold - will (photocopy)
February, 1889
69. American flag
n.d.
70. Turners, Fred H. "Hull House Has Lasting Fame, But Who, Pray
Tell, Was Hull? - newspaper clipping
January, 1964