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Watson F. Lewis Papers, 1918-21, 1944, 2006

Watson F. Lewis Chronology

August 3, 1882	Born, Brackney, Pennsylvania
September 29 or 30, 1910	Married Mildred Goss
September 5, 1918	Signed two-year contract as Secretary to International Committee of the YMCA
ca. September 20, 1918	Sailed from New York
October 5, 1918	Arrived London, England
November 5, 1918	Tea at Windsor Castle hosted by Princess Alice
November 11, 1918	Witnessed Armistice Day celebration in London
November 12, 1918	Departed for Scotland
November 17, 1918	Departed from Dundee, Scotland for Russia
November 24, 1918	Arrived Mourmansk, Russia
ca. December 2, 1918	Arrived Archangel, Russia
April 22, 1919	Son (Gordon) born in Minneapolis, Minnesota
September 18, 1919	Arrived London, England
ca. October 12, 1919	Departed London for New York
October 21, 1919	Arrived New York
October-December 1919	Travel in U.S. to Minneapolis
January 5, 1920	Arrived San Francisco
January 7 or 9, 1920	Departed San Francisco on S.S. Korea Maru for Honolulu
January 13, 1920	Honolulu
January 17, 1920	Crossed International Dateline
January 25, 1920	Arrived Yokohama, Japan
January 31-February 6, 1920	Visited Kyoto and Nara, Japan
February 9, 1920	Arrived Vladivostok, Siberia
April 22, 1920	Arrived Harbin, Manchuria
ca. April 1921	Departed Harbin, Manchuria
ca. April 9, 1921	Arrived Shanghai
1924-44	Employed by St. Louis and St. Louis County (Missouri YMCA)
May 21, 1924	Marjorie Louise Lewis born
January 1944	Resigned as Executive Secretary of St. Louis County (Missouri) YMCA; ordained Congregational minister; accepted Pastorate of Congregational Christian Church, Blair, Nebraska
November 15, 1949	Died
April 7, 1998	Watson Lewis Papers donated to University of Illinois Archives by Marjorie Lewis of Bloomington-Normal