

**Frans M. Olbrechts papers, ca.
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Summary Information

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| Repository | American Philosophical Society |
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| Location | LH-MV-B-9; LH-SB-Black Case-15 (Tuscarora 10b) |
| Language | Multiple languages |
| Language | In Flemish, French, and English. |
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| Abstract | These papers include materials on the Onondaga, Tuscarora, Seneca, Cayuga, and Oneida Indians, collected during the years 1928-1930 under the auspices of the American Council of Learned Societies' Committee on Native American Languages. Included are field notes, grammars, dictionaries, studies of Handsome Lake religion, medical prescriptions, comparative linguistics, and correspondence with Franz Boas. Contains data on informants, texts, translations, paradigms, grammatical studies, |

and lexical files. Related Cherokee materials were given to the Bureau of American Ethnology.

Background note

Frans M. Olbrechts was a Belgian linguist and anthropologist.

Scope & content

Native American Images Note : Eight images, primarily of the Onondaga tribe as relates to Olbrecht's linguistic work. Other images include: a 1934 news clipping of Tuscarora natives visiting the White House and a silver gelatin print of the Seneca prophet Handsome Lake's gravesite.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Provenance

Acquisition Information

Presented by Mme Olbrechts through Dr. A.E. Meeussen, 1959; accessioned, 1960.

Indexing Terms

Corporate Name(s)

- American Council of Learned Societies. Committee on Native American Languages.

Genre(s)

- Dictionaries.
- Newspaper clippings
- Nitrate negatives
- Notes.

Personal Name(s)

- Boas, Franz, 1858-1942
- Handsome Lake, 1735-1815

Subject(s)

- Cayuga Indians

- Eastern Woodlands Indians
- Indians of North America--Languages
- Indians of North America--Medicine
- Indians of North America--New York (State)
- Indians of North America--Religion
- Iroquois Indians
- Oneida Indians
- Onondaga Indians
- Seneca Indians
- Tuscarora Indians

Other Descriptive Information

Table of contents available.

Images

Collection Inventory

Images

Arrangement note

Although the images listed here are interspersed with the rest of the materials and do not constitute an independent series, this collection is currently unprocessed.

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| Medicine maker, Chief Albert Schanandoh | 1929 | Iroquois materials, no.5, 4 x 6 inches newspaper photograph |
| Gravesite of Handsome Lake | 1920-1930 | Iroquois materials, no.4, 4 ½ x 3 inches, gelatin silver print |
| Onondaga woman | 1920-1930 | Iroquois materials, no.4, 3 ½ x 4 ½ inches, nitrate negatives |
| Onondaga family | 1920-1930 | Iroquois materials, no.4, 3 ½ x 4 ½ |

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| | | inches, nitrate negative |
| Onondaga man | 1920-1930 | Iroquois materials, no.4, 3 ½ x 4 ½ inches, nitrate negatives |
| Longhouses | 1920-1930 | Iroquois materials, no.4, 3 ½ x 4 ½ inches, nitrate negative |
| Onondaga men in masks | 1920-1930 | Iroquois materials, no.4, 3 ½ x 4 ½ inches, nitrate negatives |
| Tuscarora reservation at Lewiston, New York | 1934 | Tuscarora materials, no.10, 4 ½ x 6 inches newspaper photograph |