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(1845 - 1937)

The papers of Elihu Root, lawyer, author, Secretary of War, Secretary of State, U. S. Senator from New York, President Hague Tribunal, were given to the Library of Congress.

Measure of Size: 305 boxes

Approximate number of items:

These papers concern events from the summer of 1899 forward.

Mr. Root's office files from 1867 to 1915 are in the custody of the firm of Winthrop, Stimson, Putnam and Roberts; those from 1915 to retirement are in the office of Mr. Root's law firm, now Dewey, Ballantine, Bushby, Palmer and Wood.

The Library of Congress has a 10-page listing of materials in its possession which is not adequately revealing.

Biographical Note

- 1845, Feb. 15 Born, Clinton, New York
- 1864 A.B., Hamilton College
- 1865 Taught at Rome Academy
- 1867 A.M., Hamilton College
- 1867 LL.B., New York University.; admitted to bar and in practice in New York
- 1878, Jan. 8 Married Clara Wales (3 children)
- 1883-85 U. S. District Attorney, Southern District of N. Y.
- 1899-1904 Secretary of War in cabinet of President McKinley (Republican)
- 1905-09 Secretary of State in cabinet of Theodore Roosevelt
- 1907 Dodge lecturer, Yale
- 1909-15 U. S. Senator from New York
- 1910- Member, Permanent Court of Arbitration at The Hague
- 1910-25 President, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace
- 1912 Awarded Nobel Peace Prize
- 1913 Stafford Little lecturer, Princeton
- 1913 President, Hague Tribunal of Arbitration between Great Britain, France, Spain and Portugal, concerning church property
- 1917 Ambassador extraordinary to Russia during Revolution
- 1921 Commissioner plenipotentiary for U.S., International Conference on Limitation of Armament, Washington, D. C.
- 1924 Roosevelt medal for Administration of Public Office
- 1926 Woodrow Wilson Foundation medal and prize for championship of Court of International Justice

Biographical Note
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1929 Member, League of Nations committee of experts to revise World Court statute on basis of experience at Court meeting in Geneva

1937, Feb. 7 Died

Author of:

The Citizen's Part in Government. 1907.
Experiment in Government and the Essentials of the Constitution. 1913.
Addresses on International Subjects. 1916.
Military and Colonial Policy of the United States. 1916.
Latin American and the United States. 1917.
Russia and the United States. 1917.
Miscellaneous Addresses. 1917.
Men and Politics. 1924.

See: Who Was Who in America, 1897-1942, vol. I, Marquis