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Collection Title: Andrews Family Papers

Creator: Andrews, Edmund, M.D. (1892-1941)
Andrews, Irene Greene Dwen (1892-1962)
Andrews, Edward Wyllys IV (1916-1971)

Dates: 1944, undated

Language: English

Extent: 0.3 Linear Feet (1 manuscript box)

Level of Description: Folder Level

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Biographical Sketch: Dr. Edmund Andrews was born on April 4, 1892 in Chicago, Illinois. He attended Yale University and received his medical degree from Rush Medical College. He taught at Northwestern

University Medical School, then as Associate Professor of Surgery at the University of Illinois, and then as Professor of Surgery at the School of Medicine at the University of Chicago. He was named for his grandfather Dr. Edmund Andrews (1824-1904), who was one of the founding members of the Chicago Academy of Sciences, and his father E. Wyllys Andrews, was also an active member of the Academy. Edmund followed in this tradition, serving the Academy as Vice-President from 1928-1937. During his tenure, he worked for the expansion and development of the Academy's collections.

Outside of his medical interests, Dr. Andrews was fascinated by philology and etymology. After traveling in the South Seas with his wife, Irene, both felt the need of a dictionary of the Tahitian language. Beyond their own desire to learn the language, they felt that a manuscript of this nature would be beneficial for other English-speaking visitors, recreational and scientific alike. Dr. Andrews passed away in 1941, before the publication of this manuscript. His wife, Irene Greene Dwen Andrews, and Walter L. Necker worked together to complete the manuscript as Dr. Andrews would have wanted it and it was finally published by the Academy in their Special Publications Series in 1944.

His son, E. Wyllys Andrews IV was born on December 11, 1916 in Chicago, Illinois. Prompted by his family's love of nature and history, he deviated from the family medical tradition to become an anthropologist and archaeologist. He graduated with his PhD in anthropology from Harvard University in 1942. He served in the Navy during World War II in the Office of Strategic Services and then worked for the Central Intelligence Agency for a few years. He resumed his anthropological studies when he began a long-term association with Tulane University. His chief area of interest was with the Northern Lowland Maya. He is perhaps best known for his work at Dzibilchaltun in the Yucatan, which produced evidence of the longest continuous occupation in the Maya area, over 3,000 years.

Scope and Content: The materials found in this collection are small in number, but relate to a family with a long history of association with the Chicago Academy of Sciences. There is a corrected type-written copy of a dictionary prepared by Edmund Andrews and his wife Irene between the Tahitian and English languages. There is also a small notebook from their son E. Wyllys Andrews IV.

Series Description:

Series 1: Edmund Andrews, M.D. (1944, undated)

This series has one sub-series, "Tahitian-English Dictionary. All of the materials are related to the development of a user-friendly dictionary between the Tahitian language and the English language.

Series 2: E. Wyllys Andrews IV (undated)

This small series contains one small notebook that details some expenditures made by Andrews in Germany and France. It also contains addresses at the very back.

Container List:

Box 1		
Series 1: Edmund Andrews, M.D. (1944, undated)		
<i>Sub-series 1: Tahitian-English Dictionary</i>		
1	First Sections – Corrected copy	undated

	2	First Sections – Printed Copies	1944
	3	Complete, Corrected Copy	undated
Series 2: E. Wyllys Andrews IV (undated)			
	4	Expenditure/ Address Notebook	undated
Manuscript Oversize Box 2 (stored separately, Unit 3.Shelf D, with other oversize materials from other manuscript collections)			
Series 1: Edmund Andrews, M.D. (1944, undated)			
<i>Sub-series 1: Tahitian-English Dictionary</i>			
	1	Galley Proofs – English-Tahitian Finding List	undated