

GEORGE S. AKASU (1880-1953)

PAPERS, UNDATED

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Volume: 1 box

1.5 linear feet

Provenance: This material was donated by William Bell on December 19, 2017.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

George Sadaharu Akasu was born in Japan on October 23, 1880. He came to the United States as a young man and resided in the Boston area, including Swampscott, Lynn, and Marblehead, Massachusetts. He married Mary Ann Akasu (1893-1988). Akasu was a noted amateur photographer who won awards in 1922 and 1923 from the Photographer's Guild of Boston and the Pictorial Photographers of America. George Akasu died on December 19, 1953.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

This collection consists of 39 photographs taken by George S. Akasu, who lived and worked in the Boston, Massachusetts, area in the early twentieth century. The photographs are in good condition, although few are identified or dated.

Folder 1 contains one 5x7 inch photograph, identified as "49 & 51 Washington St., M'head," and 14 8x10 inch photographs. Two of these photographs are identified, one as "Greystone House, Swampscott Mass," and one as "America, built 1851", and several others are recognizable as Marblehead scenes. Folder 2 contains 24 11x14 inch photographs. One is labeled "Band Stand, (Boston Common)," and others appear to be scenes from Marblehead, Salem, and Boston.

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Box	<u>Folder</u>	<u>Contents</u>	<u>Date</u>
1(OS)	1	Small photographs, 5x7 inch and 8x10 inch	Undated
	2	Large photographs, 11x14 inch	Undated