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Nelly Drake, daughter of Hon. E. Steele Drake and granddaughter of Rev. Benjamin M. Drake, was born in Port Gibson, Mississippi. Her family maintained close relations to the Satterfields, also of Port Gibson. Drake attended the Methodist Episcopal Church South where her pastor was Rev. W.H. Lewis. After graduating from Port Gibson Female College, she taught for several years and then went on to graduate from Randolph Macon College in 1905. Drake continued her studies at Scarritt Bible and Training School for two years. Upon completion of this training, Drake was appointed in August of 1907 to missionary work at the Laura Haygood School in Soochow, China, where she remained for five years. In 1913, she returned to China as principal of the Susan B. Wilson school in Sunkiang. Drake remained principal of this school until 1927. She continued her teaching and missionary work in China until 1933, when she retired and returned to Port Gibson. Drake's steadfast and thorough work during her 26 years of service in China earned her the endearing name "The angel of Sung Kiang" among many of her pupils. She died on December 10, 1950.

BOX 1

1951 Yearbook- Annual Report, The Woman's Society of Christian Service

In Memoriam

June 27, 1907- New Orleans Christian Advocate Farewell Meetings

Photograph album- 1907-1950 friends, students, buildings

Folder:

- 1 Approximately 80 photographs and 5 postcards 1907-1940's
 Students, young children, and China/Japan countryside
- 2 Approx. 22 photographs
 Students and families, buildings, 1 Chinese newspaper
- 3 Approx. 15 photographs
 School buildings, class pictures, historic sites

BOX 2

Folder:

- 1 Post Card Collection- 90 post cards from various Chinese cities, Korea, and
 Japan (some with correspondence)
- 2 Chinese manuscripts
- 3 Personal items- Gospel book, Memorial Certificate from Woman's Society of
 Christian Service, Newspaper clippings (1932)

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Folder:

- 4 Personal correspondence from friends and former students

- 5 Personal correspondence
 Compositions- The Maid of Cathay Becomes a New Woman (1930)
 Other Worlds Than Ours

- 6 Family photographs (Satterfields and Drakes)

- 7 Photographs of Nell D. Drake and family

Other items in Box 2:

- X Bachelor of Arts degree- Randolph Macon
- X Photograph- China Annual Conference- 1932
- X 2 Life Membership certificates in the China Conf. Woman=s Missionary Society
- X Ellen Davis Drake=s certificate from Port Gibson Female Academy (1892) and from
 the Daughters of the American Revolution (1914)
- X Certificate from Scarritt Bible and Training School (1907)
- X Photograph of young boy in antique frame
- X Chinese school books and Christian literature
- X Family photograph album- Drakes and Satterfields
- X Collection of Chinese and U.S. stamps (in Bluebird Box)
- X Chinese primary school book
- X Inductive lessons on Soochow Phonetics (1920)
- X 2 Chinese packages, possibly games
- X Methodist Episcopal Church South Centenary Medal, 1784-1884
- X Chinese textile items
- X 3 group photographs of Methodist Episcopal Church South in China