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O. A. TOMLINSON COLLECTION ON T. E. "UNCLE BILLY" HOFER
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HISTORY

O. A. Tomlinson was a Superintendent at Mount Ranier National Park. T.E. "Uncle Billy" Hofer was a Yellowstone National Park and Rocky Mountain guide.

DESCRIPTION

The collection consists of materials pertaining to T. E. "Billy" Hofer, gathered by O. A. Tomlinson of the National Park Service. The materials include several letters by Hofer to Chester Lindsley, acting Superintendent of Yellowstone National Park. The letters include mention of many Yellowstone National Park residents, including Horace Albright and the Henderson family. There is also a letter that discusses Death Gulch. There are also many letters between Horace Albright, Joseph Joffe, George Bird Grinnell, and others who are working to support Hofer in his last years. Finally, there are several negatives, apparently period copy negatives, of Hofer and other portraits. While many of the letters have NPS letterhead, a number of marked as "copy" which suggests that these are duplicate or personal copies that were gathered by Tomlinson. Tomlinson may have been working on an article for Nature Notes, or something similar.

PROVENANCE

Further research needed.

AVAILABILITY

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