Guide to the Coates Playing Cards Collection

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Summary Information

Creator: Coates, Phillip, Mrs.
Title: Coates Playing Cards Collection
ID: MS-00765
Date [inclusive]: 1920s-1960s
Physical Description: 0.71 Cubic Feet (3 boxes)
Physical Description: 1.69 Linear Feet
Language of the Material: English
Abstract: The Coates Playing Cards Collection (1920s-1960s) consists of sixty-six decks of playing cards collected by Mrs. Phillip A. Coates. The collection includes promotional decks from various businesses, including the Southern Pacific Lines railroad and the Grace Line steamship company. The majority of the decks are of a narrower design to be used in playing canasta or bridge, with many being multi-deck sets.

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Scope and Contents Note

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Arrangement

Materials remain in original order.

Names and Subjects

- Playing cards
- Card games