A Guide to

"Alien and Citizen Arrivals: Fort Fairfield ME 1909-1953" MCC-00204

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General Information

Collection Title: Alien and Citizen Arrivals: Fort Fairfield ME (1909-1953)

Accession Number: MCC-00204 Shelf Number: UF221

Description: Manifests of alien and citizen arrivals at Fort Fairfield, Maine ca. 1909 - April

1953.

Provenance: Records were created and microfilmed by the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service. The microfilm was transferred to the National Archives in 1857 and published in 1999.

Physical Description: One 16mm microfilm roll **Date range**: 1909-1953

Language: English

Access: There are no restrictions on this collection.

Scope and Contents: The records include alien and citizen arrivals at the Fort Fairfield, Maine port of entry. The arrivals are arranged into four series: "Alien Arrivals, ca.1906 - June 30, 1924"; "Alien Arrivals, July 1, 1924 - April 24, 1953"; "Citizen Arrivals, ca. 1927 - December 1, 1952"; "Registry Records, ca. 1909 - December 1952." Within each series, records are arranged alphabetically by surname, then first name. Details on the arrangement are provided in the film's table of contents.

NB: A few cards for arrivals at Easton ME, Houlton ME, Boston MA, and Buffalo NY seem to have been mixed in, as have a few records of departures by aliens. Also there are a few registry records dating between 1888 and 1908 included in Series IV: "Registry Records.

These records form part of the National Archives' "Records of the Immigration and Naturalization Service" collection, Record Group 85. The original National Archives roll number is M2064.

For more information, and a full discussion/description of the I.N.S. forms involved, please see the finding aid prepared by National Archives staff on pages 3-11. (NB: Much of the information in this summary was drawn from that National Archives finding aid.)

Related Archival Collections: The Acadian Archives / Archives acadiennes has copies of two additional collections of microfilmed Immigration and Naturalization Service arrival records: MCC-00203, "Alien Arrivals: Van Buren ME 1906-1952" and MCC-00223, "Alien Arrivals: Fort Kent ME and Madawaska ME 1906-1952". (NB: The latter collection also contains arrival records for Eastport and Lubec ME.)

Preservation Actions: none required.

Arrangement: The arrival records are divided into four series: "Alien Arrivals, ca.1906 - June 30, 1924"; "Alien Arrivals, July 1, 1924 - April 24, 1953"; "Citizen Arrivals, ca. 1927 - December 1, 1952"; "Registry Records, ca. 1909 - December 1952." . A table of contents for this reel is on page 11.