MS 89 German East-Asia Squadron Album

About the collection

A single album with eighty-six original gelatin silver photographs. The photographs are apparently taken by a naval officer while serving on S.M.S. "Scharnhorst", the flagship of the German East-Asia Squadron in 1909-1914.

The album was purchased by Special Collections from Wayfarer, USA in 2022.

Warning: There are some scenes of a disturbing nature, including executions and dead bodies.

Description

The album is cloth bound with the title 'China Album' on the spine, it measures 24 cm x 34 cm. There are 36 album leaves with 14 blank. All photographs are in good condition and captioned in the German language.

Dated ca. 1912-1913

All images are black and white and include the following views:

Tsingtao/ Qingdao

Hong Kong

Amoy/ XIAMEN

German colonies in Samoa and New Guinea, Batavia, Singapore, Port Arthur

German Naval Ships and Commanders

Scenes from the second Chinese Revolution and the Capture of Nanjing in September 1913