

**PRELIMINARY INVENTORY  
ACCESSION S1170  
DR. TOM DOOLEY COMMEMORATIVE STAMP COLLECTION, 1966-2014**

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### **Introduction**

Dr. Tom Dooley belonged to an affluent St Louis family. He joined the Navy after finishing his medical degree. Seeing the horrors in Vietnam, especially in Laos, Dooley became inspired to dedicate his life to helping the Vietnamese with medical aid. He established hospitals and visited those who could not seek medical attention. Dooley founded MEDICO, which would provide medical care to those in developing countries. Dooley continued in work even after being diagnosed with cancer, only returning to the United States for surgery. Dr. Thomas Dooley died in New York City in 1961.

### **Box List**

#### **Box 1**

#### **Folder list**

1: Correspondence 1960, 1994; includes letter to Thomas A. Dooley Cause from George A. Padilla, Secular Franciscan asking for prayer cards and relics to help spread devotion; credo of Dr. Thomas Dooley; letter from Dr. Tom Dooley to John Phillip Sousa junior high school, March 3, 1960.

2: Tom Dooley Heritage Inc. Correspondence. Between Jean Mann and Teresa Gallagher on the subject of Heritage Inc., and commemorative stamp. 1980-1994

- Christmas 1980
- March 1989
- June-July 1989
- September 1990
- March 1991.
- May 1992
- August 22, 1994
- August 24, 1994.

3: Congress Letters from the House of Representatives to Ms. Jean Mann 1989-1990.

- Correspondence between the house of Representatives, and Ms. Jean Mann on Res 177 on the issue of a commemorative stamp to Honor Dr. Tom Dooley.

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4: Dooley Commemorative Stamp Campaign Petitions. From Robert Danneker June 7, 1988

- Petitions signed for the Commemorative Stamp. June 7, 1988
- Blank petition form.
- Lists of New Members of the Stamp Advisory Committee and their addresses.

5: Correspondence between Robert F. Danneker and Jean Mann on the subject of the Tom Dooley commemorative stamp. 1990-1991

- Letter to Jean Mann from Robert Danneker on the resolutions for commemorative stamp in the Senate, however they are in need of more signatures and issue at hand has not gone before the Senate in over a year. Believing that the Stamp Committee with its 11 new members and new chairperson is the way to gain any ground. October 7, 1990.
- Postcard from Robert Danneker to Jean Mann on a signature drive to gain 693 more signatures by January 7, 1991, which he wants presented at the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary memorial service on January 19, 1991.
- Updated Tom Dooley newsletter from Robert Danneker February 1, 1990. The newsletter states that they contacted Notre Dame Alums Dr. Dooley's alma mater to help getting the stamp out by January 17, 1991 the 64<sup>th</sup> birthday of Dr. Dooley. However Notre Dame is having a stamp come out in 1992. Mr. Danneker asks all members to write to the citizen's stamp advisory committee.
- Letter from Robert Danneker to Jean Mann, June 4, 1990. The letter states that they now have 18,173 signatures. Mr. Danneker says Ms. Mann to keep collecting petitions maybe even let family members do so if you have a busy schedule.
- Tom Dooley Newsletter by Robert Danneker telling supporters, that the number of signed petitions is at 18,381, but even with that comes the lack of the Stamp Committee to recognize all these people who want a Dr. Tom Dooley commemorative stamp.
- Newsletter about awards Dr. Tom Dooley has won, words spoken by Admiral Arleigh Burke about Dr. Tom Dooley.
- Newsletter from Robert Danneker to Jean Mann about how the group should concentrate on the commemorative stamp date of January 17, 1991 it will be the

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64<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the birth of Dr. Dooley. And it also gives them a year for the committee to recognize the group.

- Letter from Robert Danneker to Mr. Belmont Faries, the Chairman of the citizen's stamp Advisory Committee, August 25, 1990. The letter is about Dr. Dooley's accomplishments helping those who were shipped wrecked. The letter also tells Mr. Faries that the group has 18,811 signatures for the petition.
- Robert Danneker envelope with an image of Dr. Tom Dooley on the cover sent to Jean Mann. January 11, 1991.
- Newsletter sent out stating that they have surpassed their goal and now have 20,075 signatures. Robert Danneker tells us that the senate bill died with the adjournment of congress last October.
- Newsletter from Robert Danneker to Jean Mann stating how having one of his articles published as helped with people finding out about the grass root efforts of the commemorative stamp. Mr. Danneker also talks about trying to get another article published by his church and other groups that have previously helped him. Also Mr. Danneker has not heard about the Memorial Service held on the 19<sup>th</sup> of January every year. And to just keep getting the word out.
- Newsletter from Robert Danneker to Jean Mann sent to Mr. Jack Rosenthal the chairman of the Citizen's Stamp Advisory committee and tells Mr. Rosenthal how he has been working on this commemorative stamp since November 16, 1984, and their petition currently has 20,237 signatures.
- Envelope with the image of Dr. Tom Dooley January 29, 1991.
- Letter from Robert Danneker to Jean Mann on the number of people who have signed the stamp petition.
- A letter sent from Robert Danneker to Jean Mann showing his correspondence first with the Dr. Tom Dooley stamp supporters, and secondly Paul David Wellstone United States Senator who forwards Mr. Danneker's letter to Mr. Jack Rosenthal the chairman of the Stamp Advisory Committee. April 4, 1991.
- Letter from Robert Danneker to Jean Mann May 21, 1991, about the stamp committee's lack of consideration for those who want the commemorative stamp and are being ignored.

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- A Letter from Robert Danneker to the United States Postal Service on an article Robert had read about Dr. Tom Dooley in the June 1991 issue of Liguorian Publication and the proposal of the stamp. A return letter was sent to Robert Danneker from JoElaine McKinney-Anderson, Manager of the Stamp Administration and Advisory Branch, stating that the stamp was still under consideration.
- Letter from Robert Danneker to Jean Mann on June 18, 1991. The letter states that they have been working on this campaign for six and a half years. And that they are in the home stretch and now have 22,894 signatures.

### 6: Dr. Tom Dooley Heritage Inc. Newsletters 1988-1995

- Christmas 1988.
- Christmas 1989.
- Spring 1989.
- September 1990.
- Christmas 1990.
- January 19, 1991 30<sup>th</sup> annual Memorial Service and reunion.
- Spring 1991.
- January 1992.
- Summer 1992.
- Christmas 1992.
- Fall 1993.
- Summer 1994.
- Fall 1995.

### 7: Publish and printed stories on Dr. Thomas A Dooley. 1988-2014.

- Thomas A. Dooley Collection at the University Of Notre Dame.
- Helping And Loving Orphans (HALO) Review December 2013 article on Dr. Tom Dooley.
- S0464 Dooley, Thomas A. (1927-1961). Collection of papers at The State Historical Society of Missouri. 222 folders, 5 volumes, 88 tapes, 10 videotapes, and 531 photographs. Papers from 1932-1988. History of Dr. Thomas Dooley's life. As wells descriptions of the archives listed.
- U.S. Census Records from Ancestry.com/Census. Dr. Tom Dooley, "The Quiet American" by Stan Griffin. The article gives us insight into the life of Dr. Tom Dooley from his upbringing to his days in the navy, as well as his humanitarian work in Laos, which he is best known for.
- Sorin Society at the University of Notre Dame's Dr. Thomas A. Dooley Award list of past Recipients of the award from 1985-2013. 2014.
- St Louis Post Dispatch article on The Jungle Doctor, Tom Dooley, Succumbs to cancer in 1961. This article written by Tim O'Neil on January 18, 2014, I about

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- Dr. Dooley's legacy and his early life in St. Louis and his time in the Navy, as well as what he is most known for his time doing philanthropy work in Laos.
- Find a grave website: gives a brief overview of the life of Dr. Thomas a. Dooley III. The article also tells us where in St. Louis Dr. Dooley is buried. Listed as Calvary Cemetery and Mausoleum in St. Louis. This record was added on January First 2001.
  - Chapter one of Dr. America The Lives of Thomas A. Dooley, 1927-1961. Written by James T. Fisher from the University of Massachusetts press. In this chapter we learn about Dr. Thomas Dooley's grandfather and how he earned his fortune. The article also tells us how Tom's Father took over the family business and wealth after his father passed. We learn about the highs and lows of the family fortune. The early life of Dr. Dooley growing up in St. Louis and social gatherings in his affluent life. We learn about friends of Dr. Tom. And his Catholic upbringing. Dooley's time at the University of St. Louis Medical School and his wild antics.
  - Article on The Thomas A. Dooley Award.
  - The Dr. Tom Dooley Society Medical Alumni of Notre Dame printout for a guest speaker Daniel L. Cruser, M.D. and the 2013 Dooley Society Foundation Award was presented to Fr. Tom Steit for his work in Haiti.
  - Down with Tyranny article This Isn't About The Tom Dooley Who Hung Down His Head—This Is The Other Tom Dooley. Written on January 5, 2014. This article talks about his "possible" involvement with the CIA.
  - Boston College Summer Magazine 2002. Titled Fighting Words. This article talks about how Dr. Tom and his legacy once on everyone's mind is now a thing of the past.
  - Daily Catholic August 10, 1999 section one vol10, no.149. List of the top 100 Catholics of the Century: Dr. Tom Dooley number 88. The article talks about the influence of Notre Dame on him even though he rebelled against the school and its rules while he attended the school.
  - BriefLives.net Article on the live of Betty Tisdale: Crowded in Heaven. May 25, 2010. Betty Tisdale has volunteered most of her life. We learn about her early childhood. And how reading Dr. Dooley's book "Deliver Us From Evil" changed her life. Betty became Dr. Dooley's writer taken dictation from him every morning before work. After Dr. Dooley's death in 1961, Betty continued her work with orphans raising money and donations from large corporations. Betty helped get orphans out of Vietnam. Saving many children's lives. Founding HALO or Helping And Loving Orphans in 2000.
  - Article from the Betty Tisdale website about her life's work with orphans after being inspired by Dr. Tom Dooley, whom she was able to meet and take notes for him every morning before his death in 1961. After Dr. Tom's death Betty was inspired to continue his mission with orphans helping get donations from large corporations to donate goods to the orphans. Betty also was able to help 219 orphans escape in April of 1975 not being allowed to take any child over the age of 10.
  - Reviews Tommy, We Hardly Know You. Dr. America: The Lives of Thomas A. Dooley by James T. Fisher University of Massachusetts Press, 1997. 304 pages. Reviewed by James Sullivan Culture Wars, February 1998. This article talks

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- about the impact Dr. Dooley has on those who grew up after his death in 1961. Sullivan talks about Dooley's wild years while attending the University of St. Louis Medical School. His lack of ability to follow the rules. We learn about his time in Navy. And the CIA conspiracy, and Dooley's Catholic faith, and the founding of MEDICO clinics of Dooley's in Laos.
- Copy of a newspaper article from The Providence Visitor, January 10, 1991-17 Titled: Remembering Tom Dooley on 30<sup>th</sup> anniv. of his death. The article talks about many of the work Dr. Dooley has done in Vietnam and the petitions for the commemorative stamp. Part two A Chance To Remember A real Hero. By Ed Walsh. And the campaign from Robert Danneker on the commemorative stamp.
  - Sun Magazine Autumn 1988, Volume 53, No. 3. A Sun Shareholder Strives to Honor an American Hero by Peter Brakman illustrations by Tom Miller. This article is about Robert Danneker a retired postman and his campaign for a commemorative stamp to honor Dr. Thomas A. Dooley. The campaign at the time has 10,000 signatures. Illustration included.
  - Article summary from umsl.edu Dooley's impact. Dr. Tom Dooley's impact in Vietnam, the founding of MEDICO, and what happened to the foundation after his death in 1961.