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Henry Richard Humphries Lectures on shell shock

HUMPHRIES, HENRY RICHARD, 1873-1927.

Henry Richard Humphries lectures on shell shock, circa 1920.

2 folders (42 pages)

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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE: Neurologist. Born in New York City, Humphries received his medical degree from the Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons in 1896. He held positions at several New York State psychiatric hospitals and served as assistant neurologist at Columbia's Vanderbilt Clinic. During World War I he was consulting neurologist to the Adjutant General's Office. He died March 1, 1927 in New York.

SCOPE AND CONTENT: Five lectures on shell shock delivered by Henry R. Humphries. Neither the date nor the location of the lectures is given but from references in the text, they were probably delivered ca. 1919-1920. He discusses possible causes of shell shock, how it differs from other neurological and psychiatric conditions, and the best means for treating it. Several of the lectures include questions asked by the audience and Humphries' answers

LANGUAGE: English.

ACCESS: Except for lecture two, the extremely fragile condition of the originals requires researchers to use preservation photocopies.

PROVENANCE: Gift of Kendra K. Adams, Humphries' granddaughter, 2015 (accession #2015.018).

LOCATION: Miscellaneous Manuscripts, Box 6, fo. 1-2.

Subjects

Military psychiatry – United States – 20th century.

War neuroses – Treatment.

World War, 1914-1918 – Medical care.

World War, 1914-1918 – Psychological aspects.

Combat Disorders – World War I.