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**Biographical Note**



Dr. Ruth Irene Shirey (December 2, 1942-February 20, 2015), Professor Emeritus in the [Department of Geography and Regional Planning](#) at Indiana University of Pennsylvania (IUP) where she taught geography from 1970 to 2007. A native of Johnstown, Pennsylvania, Ruth Shirey was the daughter of Donald E. Shirey (1916-1989) and his wife Esther Irene Alwine Shirey (1915-1997). In 1965, she earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Geography Education from Indiana State College (ISC), which became Indiana University of Pennsylvania (IUP) in 1966. She was a member of Gamma Theta Upsilon, the International Geography Honor Society. She earned her Master of Science in 1968 and her PhD in Geography in 1970 from the University of Tennessee. She was awarded a National Defense Education Act Title IV fellowship at the University of Tennessee in 1965-1968. She was married to Dr. Royce Walters, Professor Emeritus in the Department of History at IUP.

Ruth Shirey was an assistant professor at Tennessee Tech University in 1968-1969. She joined the IUP faculty in 1970 where she taught for 37 years until her retirement in 2007. Dr. Shirey was the Chair of the Department of Geography and Regional Planning from 1977 to 1988, and she was also the Interim Associate Dean of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences from 1987 to 1989. In 1988, Dr. Shirey participated in a Fulbright faculty exchange with the University of Poona in India.

Dr. Shirey and her husband Dr. Royce Walters were instrumental in the “Committee to Save John Sutton Hall” ([Manuscript Group 39](#)) in 1970s, which took initiatives to preserve the first building on campus. Dr. Shirey brought IUP international recognition when she served as the executive director of the National Council for Geographic Education from 1988 to 2002 and based its headquarters at IUP. Concurrently, she provided IUP prestige as she served as a state coordinator for the Pennsylvania Geographic Alliance from 1986 to 2002. In 2008, IUP honored Dr. Shirey with a Distinguished Alumni Award for achievements in academia and for contributions to geography education, research and administration. During her tenure at IUP, Dr. Shirey was awarded \$1.8 million in external grant funding.



Dr. Shirey received the College of Humanities and Social Sciences Outstanding Service Award for 1998–1999 and the IUP Graduate Dean’s Award for Outstanding Commitment to Sponsored Programs. She was honored with the Pennsylvania Geographical Society Distinguished Service Award in 2001 and the George J. Miller Award for Distinguished Service from the National Council for Geographic Education in 1996—the same year she was included in the Geographers on Film Series. She was also honored for her service to Gamma Theta Upsilon International Honor Society in 2003. Dr. Shirey was elected to the Society of Woman Geographers in 1980, and she was a life member of the Association of American Geographers, the National Council for Geographic Education, and the Conference of Latin American Geographers.

**Scope and Content**

This collection contains biographical and family information, correspondence, memorabilia, career and office files, and service awards earned by Dr. Ruth Shirey who was Professor Emeritus from the [Department of Geography & Regional Planning](#) at Indiana University of Pennsylvania (IUP).

**Provenance**

This collection was donated by Dr. Ruth Shirey and Dr. Royce Walters.

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**Processor**

The collection was organized and the finding aid was updated by Harrison Wick on January 30, 2019.

**Container List****Series I: Files, Lesson Plans, and Publications****Box 1 (23 folders) Documents, Awards and Citations****Documents, Education, and Correspondence**

1. Indiana State Normal School Receipt for Ethel Burbeth, November 30, 1920
2. Ruth Irene Shirey, Class of 1965, Spring 1963 grade reports and a postcard of George Miller Stadium and the Memorial Field House (circa 1964-1965)
3. Master of Science Thesis by Ruth Irene Shirey, "A Geographic Study of the Impact of the Pennsylvania Turnpike on some aspects of the economy of Bedford, Pennsylvania," University of Tennessee, March 1968
4. Shirey, Ruth I. (1970). *The Industrial Development of Tegucigalpa and San Pedro Sula, Honduras*. Indiana University of Pennsylvania (IUP).
5. Doctoral Dissertation by Ruth Irene Shirey, "An Analysis of the Location of Manufacturing: Tegucigalpa and San Pedro Sula, Honduras," University of Tennessee, December 1970
6. Correspondence with and about colleague Mamie Louise Anderzhon (1906-1988), an oil painting of Dr. Anderzhon is in Series III Box 1.

**Awards and Citations**

7. List of Awards, 1987-2008 and no dates
8. Leadership in the founding of the first Geography themed Elementary School, Perry School, no date
9. Faculty Career Associate, 1987
10. Honorary Citizen of Johnstown, 1992
11. National Council for Geographic Education (NCGE) Project, 1992-1994
12. Nova Scotia, Order of the Good Time, 1993
13. Pennsylvania Geographical Society Teacher Recognition Program, 1994
14. IUP Graduate Dean's Award, 1995
15. IUP 25 years of service, 1996

16. NCGE George J. Miller Award, 1996
17. Indiana Branch of the American Association of University Women, 1997
18. IUP College of Humanities and Social Sciences Outstanding Service Award, 1998-1999
19. Pennsylvania Geographic Alliance Spring Geography Seminar, 2001
20. Gamma Theta Upsilon – International Geographical Honor Society, 28 years of service, 2003
21. Glencoe Distinguished Teacher Service Award, 2007
22. IUP Distinguished Alumni Award, 2008
23. Association of American Geographers Ronald F. Abler Distinguished Service Honors Award, 2013
24. AAG Ronald F. Abler Distinguished Service Honors Award Correspondence and Speech Notes, 2013
25. University of Tennessee, Department of Geography, Outstanding Alumni Award, 2013
26. Biographical information including passport, obituary, correspondence, and remembrances about Dr. Ruth Shirey (1942-2015), February 20-24, 2015
27. Memorial Service Program, Zion Lutheran Church, Indiana, Pennsylvania, May 2, 2015

### **Series I: Files, Lesson Plans, and Publications**

#### **Box 2 Lesson Plans, Resource Files, and Correspondence**

1. "Connumach" Conemaugh Township High School year book, 1956
2. "Connumach" Conemaugh Township High School year book, 1957
3. "Connumach" Conemaugh Township High School year book, 1958
4. "Connumach" Conemaugh Township High School year book, 1959
5. "Connumach" Conemaugh Township High School year book, 1960
6. "The Oak" Indiana State College year book, 1962
7. "The Oak" Indiana State College year book, 1963
8. "The Oak" Indiana State College year book, 1964
9. Pictures
10. Pictures 2
11. Map of Pittsburgh in 1855 Showing Railroad Lines, 1935
12. "The Teachers Kit," 1957
13. Book "Jones and Laughlin Steel Corporation A Study in Industrial Location," 1967
14. Geography Aerial Field Trip Brochure, 1967
15. Lesson Plans: "Reading a map"
16. Lesson Plan: "Using Reading Strategies to Teach Geography"
17. Continuity and Decline in the Anthracite Towns of Pennsylvania
18. Transparencies, 1972
19. Book: Wissahickon Watershed Development Guide, 1976
20. Booklet: "A Walk around Witney," 1978
21. Correspondence: Julie Chen, 1979
22. Book "Water Power: How it Works," 1979
23. Christmas Card: Bill Wood, 1980 Disease in Pennsylvania 1980-1984" Robert C. Ziegenfus (3 papers)
24. "Pittsburgh's Renaissance II and Neighborhood Development" Paper, 1981
25. Booklet "Coal in Pennsylvania," 1981
26. Book: Planning in Philadelphia, Philadelphia City Planning Commission, 1982
27. Bethlehem Steel Information, 1982
28. Johnstown Pennsylvania Community Information, 1983

29. Johnstown Flood Information
30. Immaculate Conception Church Johnstown Pennsylvania
31. St. Casimir's Church Johnstown Pennsylvania
32. Lesson Plan Book: "Map Skills Grades D,1,2" 1983
33. Progress in the Neighborhoods, 1983-1988
34. "A Geography of Cancer/ Cancer Mortality/ Heart Disease in Pennsylvania 1980-1984"  
Robert C. Ziegenfus (3 papers)
35. Manufactural Changes in Southwestern Pennsylvania, (1848) 1985
36. Booklet: The Future of Center City: Three Scenarios, Philadelphia City Planning  
Commission, 1986
37. Indiana County Heritage Place Names of Indiana County, 1986
38. Book: 30<sup>th</sup> Street Station Area Study, Philadelphia City Planning Commission
39. Book: Market Street East Urban Design Study, Philadelphia City Planning Commission
40. Lesson Plan: "A problem of Place," 1987
41. Booklet: "Experiencing Indian Languages" by Carol Hansen, Peggy Mueller, Marilyn  
Turnkouick, 1987

### **Series I: Files, Lesson Plans, and Publications**

#### **Box 3 Lesson Plans, Resource Files, and Correspondence**

1. Booklets: Pittsburgh and its Rivers, 1988 & 2000
2. National Geographic "The Making of America; Tidewater and Environs," 1988
3. Lesson Plan and overhead slides: "Is Pittsburgh a Region?"
4. "A Geography of Recline: The Bedding Industry of Pittsburgh, PA" Larry L. Patrick
5. Lesson Plan: "Environmental Concerns in the United States," 1989
6. Book: Zoning Remapping in Philadelphia, Philadelphia City Planning Commission, 1989
7. "The Iron and Steel Industry of Pennsylvania Spatial Change and Economic Evolution"  
Paper and Transparencies, 1989
8. Lesson Plan: The Geography of Steel Town"(includes maps)
9. Lesson Plan: "America's Industrial Heritage Project," 1989
10. "America's Industrial Heritage Project" pamphlet, 1989
11. Booklet: "Understanding Islam and the Muslims," 1989
12. Book: "Science: The Islamic Legacy"
13. Cambria City Candlelight Church Tours, 1990
14. Philadelphia Zoning Maps, (1876) 1989-1990
15. Lesson Plan: "Mapping Population Data," 1990
16. "Pennsylvania Index to Topographic and Other Map Coverage"
17. Map Soviet Union (2 Copies), 1990
18. "Helping Your Child Learn Geography" Booklet, 1990
19. "Rails to Trails Guide" Booklet
20. Valley of Decision- Five Fundamental Themes of Geography, 1990
21. "When Mine Supports Fail: Subsidence Hazard in Pennsylvania's Coal Fields," 1990
22. Lesson Plan: "Pennsylvania Canals," 1990-1993
23. Johnstown Field Trip, Ethnic Tour of the Churches in Cambria City, 1990
24. Churches of Johnstown Tour
25. Lesson Plan: "Johnstown Flood Unit"
26. Pamphlets of Cambria County
27. Loyahanna Lake and Conemaugh River Lake Information

28. Book: "Tracking Mckean County Illegal Dump Sites"
29. PA Geographic Alliance Summer Institute Walking Field Trip, 1991
30. Using the Five Themes to Understand Places and Regions, 1991
31. "Ash Pile or Steel City" H.L. Mencken, 1991
32. The Columbian Quincentenary, 1991
33. National Geographic "World War II: Europe and North Africa, 1991
34. Lesson Plan: "Using Area Value Mapping to Understand Aspects of Human Geography in Southwest Asia," 1991
35. "Patterns in Pennsylvania's Agricultural Land on the eve of the Twenty-First Century: Changes and Progress" Dr. Thomas A. Rumney, 1992
36. Conservation Directory of Pennsylvania (Booklet), 1992
37. "Columbus" Desert News Article, 1992
38. Lesson Plans: (2) Christopher Columbus, 1992
39. Lesson Plan: "Journeys: 1492-1992," 1992
40. "Science of Understanding Tomorrow's World Global Change" Book, 1992
41. Whiskey Rebellion Pamphlets and Information, 1992-1994
42. Correspondence and Pictures: Costa Rican Patch: Jairo Mora, 1992-2005
43. National Geographic Pamphlets, "Precious Resource: Water" and "Water: Reflections on a Critical Resource," 1993
44. Correspondence- Dr. Eleanor Rawlings, 1993
45. Lesson Plan: "Pennsylvania Ground Water"
46. Lesson Plan: "Tropical Rain Forest Ecology," 1993
47. "Why has Japan Been so Successful Educationally?" 1993
48. Booklet: "Russia and the Independent Nations of the Former USSR," 1993
49. Lesson plans; Russia/ Soviet Union, 1993
50. Booklet: "Russia and the Eurasian States" University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown, 1993
51. "The Tulpehocken Path: A Self-Guided Tour" by Lynn R. Sprankel
52. Correspondence/ Pictures – Luella Rogers Burke, 1993-2005
53. Lesson Plan: "The Aral Sea: Going, Going..."
54. "Laura Ingalls Wilder Day" Booklet
55. Lesson Plan: "The Story behind the Names of Western Pennsylvania Counties"
56. Lesson Plan: "Home Sweet Home: Why did we Come from There to here?"
57. "U.S. Cities, A 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Project Incorporating Library Research, use of Computer Data base Information and the World Wide Web" Lesson Plan
58. Lesson Plan Booklet: "Changing Forest on the West Branch of the Susquehanna"
59. "Enough is Enough: Or is it?" Booklet Lillian Hynes
60. Geography Standards, 1994
61. "Alliance Geography Curriculum Series: Rivers of the World" by Pennsylvania Geographic Alliance, 1994
62. "Illustrating the National Geography Standards" slide set and slide notes
63. "Chunnel Vision," 1994
64. Environmental Advantages of Inland Barge Transportation, 1994
65. "New School Geography" vs "Old School Geography"
66. Correspondence: Alliance TC/ Geographer Network, 1994
67. Correspondence: Dr. Karen M. Trifonoff, 1994
68. GE 252 Geography of Pennsylvania Place Name Origins, 1994
69. Lesson Plans: "Teaching Geography Using Novels," 1994

70. Lesson Plan: "Fredrick Douglass's Escape to Freedom," 1994
71. Collection of Lesson Plans, 1994
72. Lesson Plan: "Geography of Pennsylvania: Place Name Origins" by Ruth Shirey, 1994
73. Book of Lesson Plans from The Florida State University
74. Lesson Plan: "Rural to Urban 1915-1940 Afro-American Migration"
75. Letters to Pennsylvania Senators, Funding Cuts in Social, Behavioral, and Economic Sciences (SBES), 1995
76. Letters to Pennsylvania Congressmen, Funding Cuts in Social, Behavioral, and Economic Sciences (SBES), 1995
77. Booklet: History and Geography Reading Railroad, 1995
78. Argus Japan exchange, 1995
79. Pennsylvania Coal Data, 1995
80. "Expected Impact of Tourism on the Business Community of Windber Pennsylvania," 1995
81. "Managing Agricultural Resources in Gettysburg National Military Park" by Jane H. Ehemann
82. Gettysburg History, Geography, Lesson Plans, 1995
83. "Landscape Evolution and Cartographic Bias in Cranberry Township, Pennsylvania" Francis P. Briscoe and David Prytherch, 1995
84. Correspondence/ Photos (5) Magazine: Demetrios Velis, 1995-2002
85. AGIS "The Forest as a Teacher," 1995 and 1999
86. "Geography and Environmental Education; A Handbook for Teachers"
87. Learning Packet for 9-11 year olds "Fresh Mushroom Quest," 1996
88. Children's Book "Let's Go to a Pennsylvania Mushroom Farm" by Susan Yocum
89. "The Astronauts' View of Home," 1996
90. Correspondence: James A. Petrus, 1996
91. Booklet: "Mapping the World by Heart" and letter to Ruth Shirey from the author David J. Smith, 1996
92. Workshop Lesson Plan: "Retail Geography of Medium-Sized Metropolitan Areas," 1996

### **Series I: Files, Lesson Plans, and Publications**

#### **Box 4 Lesson Plans, Resource Files, and Correspondence**

1. The Real Earth Teachers Guide and 3D Globe, 1996
2. Teachers Utilization Guide, 1996-1997
3. Summer Geography Workshop, 1997
4. ASGI "Map Use and Map Making" J. Bencloski, 1997
5. Suggestions for Using "Press on Pennsylvania" & 2 copies of "Press on Pennsylvania," 1997
6. TTTP Areas and Histories of Pennsylvania, 1997-1998
7. Letters of Recommendation/ Resume—Scott R. Myers, 1997-1998
8. AASGI Sample Applications, 1997-1998
9. Correspondence: AASGI Applications, 1997-1998
10. ASGI Topographic Maps, 1998
11. ASGI Example Acceptance/Rejection Letter, 1998
12. ASGI Welcome Packet, 1998
13. ASGI Thank You Letters from Ruth Shirey to all Involved, 1998
14. Example of Certificate of Completion for ASGI, 1998

15. Model Geography Program Award Certificates, 1998
16. Geography Portfolio Project Proposal, 1998
17. Correspondence: Charlie Fitzpartick and Newspaper Article "Geography Matters," 1998
18. Matthew A. Genchur, 1998-2000
19. "Heritage Tourism and the Disneyfication of Appalachia" PGS Field Trip to: Westvania, 1999
20. Booklet: "The Port of Pittsburgh and The Three Rivers" 1999
21. Pamphlet: "Navigation on Our Three Rivers" Pittsburgh
22. Certificate of Completion Summer Geography Institute, 1999
23. Train-the-Trainers Workshop Certificates, 1999
24. "Forest as a Teacher" Thank You letters to all involved, 1999
25. Geographical Ideas Developed in Pennsylvania Projector Screens By Ruth Shirey, 1999
26. Grant Proposal: The Port of Pittsburgh, 2000
27. K-12 Geography Education Survey, 2000
28. "The Johnstown Flood" By David G. McCullough and Pennsylvania's Proposed Geography Standards, 2000
29. Walking Field Trip Indiana PA, 2000
30. "Geolink" The Alabama Geography Alliance Newsletter, 2000
31. Cards and Post Cards: Rick and Salem Ritenour, 2000-2003
32. Proposed Academic Standards for Geography, 2001
33. Lessons Plans: for Pennsylvania Geographic Alliance Summer Institute, 2001
34. Lesson Plans: "Americans on the Move"
35. Lesson Plan: "Going with the Flow"
36. Lesson Plan: "Schoolyard Report Card"
37. Lesson Plan: "Riparian Buffer Restoration"
38. Lesson Plan: "What's Hanging out in the Yard?"
39. Lesson Plan: "When Rain Hits the Land"
40. Water Budget Excise
41. Lesson Plan: "Pennsylvania's Forests"
42. Lesson Plan: "Pennsylvania Climate"
43. Lesson Plans: Canada
44. Lesson Plan: "Where have all the birds gone?"
45. Lesson Plan: "The Oceans: Discovering Earth's Hidden Treasures"
46. Lesson Plan: "Biodiversity and Culture in Aboriginal Australia"
47. Lesson Plan: "Log Cabins in America; The Finnish Experience"
48. Lesson Plan: "Environmental Field Trip"
49. Lesson Plan: "The Changing Faces of Earth"
50. Lesson Plan: "No Man is an Island"
51. Lesson Plan: "We are Citizens of the World"
52. Lesson Plan: "Picture History: Ancient Greece"
53. Lesson Plan: " Laura Ingalls Wilder"
54. Lesson Plan "Mapping Population in Pennsylvania 1990-1998" By Ruth Shirey
55. "Geography fair turns ESU Gym into Cultural Melting pot" Newspaper Clip
56. Papers Regarding Dawn M. Drake, 2001-2006
57. John E Benhart Distinguished Alumni Award Papers, 2003
58. Correspondence: Stephen Arbogast, 2003
59. Papers and Correspondence: Dr. & Mrs. James M. Hunter, 2003-2005



60. Correspondence: Paula Sandrin, 2003-2007
61. Achievements, Correspondence, Alumni Award: Robert N. Thomas, 2004-2007
62. Wedding Program and Picture. Eva Ohiokpehai and Daniel Dogo-Esekie, 2005
63. Papers Regarding Jenna McConnell, 2005-2007
64. Indiana University of Pennsylvania Department of Geography and Regional Planning Booklet, 2006
65. Correspondence: Xuan Shi, 2006
66. Correspondence: Tom Zogg, 2006-2008
67. Griffith Scholarship Papers, 2006-2008
68. Correspondence: Gregg Culver, 2007-2010
69. Invitation Ruth Shirey's Retirement Picnic, 2007
70. Distinguished Alumni Awards DVD, 2008
71. Zion's Ruth Shirey Letter and Photos, 2009
72. Zion's Ruth Shirey CD of Photos
73. Correspondence: Jonathan Gallardy, 2010
74. Memorial Note for Gail Hobbs, 2010
75. Indiana University of Pennsylvania Distinguished Alumni Award Nomination: Denny Puko, 2010-2012
76. Correspondence: Bassam Alshraah, 2012
77. Correspondence: Regarding Ruth Shirey receiving Distinguished Alumni Award from The University of Tennessee, 2013
78. "A Religion test for Presidency?" Letter to the Editor clipping, 2013
79. Business Cards
80. The Society of Woman Geographers Executive Director Search Report, 2013
81. Society of Woman Geographers Fellowship Report: SWG Council Meeting, 2013-2014
82. Day Planner, 2013-2014
83. Correspondence: Mark Critz, 2014
84. Correspondence: Association of American Geographers, 2014
85. Correspondence: Danna Cuomo, 2014
86. Certificate of Election, Indiana PA Democratic Committeewoman, 2014
87. Day Planner, 2014-2015
88. Address Book
89. Book donated by Dr. Royce Walters in 2018-2019, includes note from Wayne Bogle (IUP):
  - a. McPhee, John. (2002). *The Founding Fish*. New York: Farrar, Straus and Giroux. Second copy in the IUP Libraries' Circulating Collection – Call Number: QL 638 .C64 M4 2002

## **Series II: Slides**

### **Box 1 Slides (boxes)**

1. Brazil
2. England
3. India

## **Series II: Slides**

### **Box 2 Slides – Pennsylvania (boxes)**

1. Pennsylvania
2. Gettysburg

**Series III: Oversized Items****Box 1 (4 items)**

1. Diploma: Robert H. Shirey, Jenner Township High School, Somerset County Public Schools, Class of 1907, April 10, 1907 (Ruth Shirey's grandfather)
2. Diploma: Lavina A. Ream, Jenner Township High School, Somerset County Public Schools, Class of 1913, April 22, 1913 (Ruth Shirey's grandmother)
3. Award: Retirement Award presented to Ruth Shirey, Ph.D., The Delaware Valley Geographic Alliance, October 18, 2002
4. Portrait (1987 oil painting signed by Larry Greenwall): Dr. Mamie Louise Anderzhon (1906-1988), M.A. and Ph.B., University of Chicago; IUP Distinguished Service Award, 1971, National Council for Geographic Education, and IUP Professor Emeritus

**Series III: Oversized Items****Box 2 Framed Items (3 items)**

1. Framed Posters: Pennsylvania Geographic Alliance: The 1<sup>st</sup> ASGI, IUP, 1990, signed by county participants including Dr. Ruth Shirey
2. Framed Photograph of the entrance to Leonard Hall and Certificate: Indiana University of Pennsylvania, presented to Dr. Ruth Shirey, in appreciation for 37 years of dedicated service to the Department of Geography & Regional Planning, 1970-2007 (2007)
3. Framed Item: Todd Royce Walters, born on August 7, 1978, child of Royce and Ruth Shirey Walters (calligraphy)

**Series III: Oversized Items****Box 3 Framed Items (4 items)**

1. Framed Engraving: South America, printed in London, no date (1700s-1800s)
2. Framed Engraving: Lord Chatham – William Pitt, the Elder, 1<sup>st</sup> Earl of Chatham (1708-1778), Prime Minister of Great Britain (1766-1768), printed in London, no date (circa 1820)
3. Framed Page: Somerset County, page 618, color print of street scene of Somerset, no date
4. Framed Photograph: 1962 NCGE Conference, Morrison Hotel, Chicago, Illinois, identified participants
5. Memorabilia including lapel pins, jewelry, and name badges

**Series IV: Memorabilia on Display (10 items)**

1. Blown Glass Sphere: Globe on brass pedestal, no identification, no date
2. Globe: Brass and Marble (no identification, no date) matches charm on necklace in Series II Box 3.
3. Globe: Paper and Brass (not identified)
4. Glass globe (6" globe) with brass stand (not identified)
5. Glass globe (3" globe) with brass stand (not identified)
6. Brass stamp holder inscribed: Ruth, you made a world of difference to us, 1<sup>st</sup> ASGI, 1990
7. Plaque with Globe: Pennsylvania Geographical Society – Distinguished Geographer, 2001
8. Glass Award: IUP Distinguished Alumni Award, April 5, 2008
9. Framed Map: A New Map of Pennsylvania with its Canals and Railroads published by Thomas Cowperthwait (1850)
10. Framed Watercolor Painting of river landscape with a steamboat (not identified)