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**American Black Sea Line records**

1922

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## Summary

**Creator:** American Black Sea Line

**Title:** American Black Sea Line records

**Date:** 1922

**Size:** .01 linear feet (1 folder)

**Source:** Source unknown.

**Abstract:** The American Near East and Black Sea Line, Inc., a New York City shipping company doing business as the American Black Sea Line, operated under the direction of Stephen D. Stephanidis from 1921 until its bankruptcy in 1923. The company offered passage and freight services to Romania, Bulgaria, Turkey and Greece. The collection comprises correspondence and accounts, including lists of tickets sold to passengers, 1922, of A. Apostolidis, manager of the American Black Sea Line office in Bucharest, Romania. Correspondence, incoming and outgoing, is chiefly with John M. Benas of the New York office, as well as shipping agents and American consular officials, much of it related to the impact of the company's financial difficulties on departures from that region for New York. Ticket purchase lists for the company's ships S.S. New York and S.S. Acropolis, as well as the S.S. Guldjemal (Gul Djemal) of the Ottoman America Line, identify only the names and ages of travelers and emigrants, with ticket price and payment currency.

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## Key Terms

### Geographic Names

Balkan Peninsula -- Emigration and immigration  
Europe, Eastern -- Emigration and immigration  
New York (N.Y.) -- Emigration and immigration  
Turkey -- Emigration and immigration

**Subjects**

Immigrants -- New York (State) -- New York -- History -- 20th century  
Shipping -- United States -- History -- 20th century

**Genre/Physical Characteristic**

Ships' passenger lists

**Names**

Apostolidis, A.  
Benas, John M.  
American Black Sea Line