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## RALPH HEYWARD ISHAM, CBE

father: Henry Heyward Isham, b.1847,d.1922, m.Juliet Calhoun Marsh b.18?? :mother,  
he became President of the Marietta, Cleveland and Coumbus Railway and  
inherited the Trumbull estate near Elizabeth, N.J.

**b.1890 & d.1955 in NYC**

m.Marion Gaynor-1914;Margaret Dorothy Hurt-1924;Christine,Vicountess Churchill-1938

Attended at Cornell University in1908; Yale College in1910-11 and N.Y. Law School..

Engaged in big game shooting in Mexico and the Far East.

1916-19 - Enlisted as private in British Army; rose to Lt.Col. on Sir Douglas Haig's staff

1919 - Invested as Commander of the Order British Empire for Army Services.

1920's - Established an office in New York as a banker and financier.

Acquired one of the world's best collections of 18th. century English literature, including  
his purchase of the Boswell papers from Lord Talbot of Malahide Castle and his  
discovery, in a trunk, of the manuscript of the Diary of Dr. Samuel Johnson, which were  
gifted by his son Jonathan Trumbull Isham to the Yale University Library to be known  
as the "Ralph Heyward Isham Papers" - (MS 1455).

He was a close friend of "Lawrence of Arabia" - T.E.Shaw.

Appointed F.R.G.S. - Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society;

he had 2 sons:-

1 - **Heyward**, b.1927, d.2009

A career Foreign Service officer who played a commanding role  
as Acting-Chief of American Delegation to the Paris peace talks concerning Vietnam  
where,"He made a tremendous contribution", according to Mr Henry A. Kissinger;  
he was appointed US Ambassador to Haiti, during 1947-77.

2 - **Jonathan Trumbull**, b.1929.

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