

Register of the
Nevins M. Harlan Collection
Collection 242

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Scope and Content:

Nevins M. Harlan was born in 1912 and died at the age of 89 in 2002. Harlan came from a family that made significant contributions to the Seventh-day Adventist Church. He was the great-grandson of John Nevins Andrews, the Church's first foreign missionary. His father, Sanford M. Harlan, worked for the Review and Herald Publishing Association for fifty-five years. And his younger brother, Russell, who also worked for the Review, was a well-known artist.

While Nevins Harlan was not nearly as prominent as his great-grandfather or his brother, it is evident that he was dedicated to the cause of God, serving faithfully in pastoral work for four decades. Harlan pastored all over the United States in the states of Tennessee, Florida, Minnesota, Wisconsin and Washington.

The Nevins M. Harlan collection consists of various materials from this wide ministry, such as sermon notes, Bible studies, church bulletins and evangelistic brochures. This collection would be of special interest to anyone seeking to better understand the content of Adventist sermons in the mid-1900's.

Arrangement:

_____ The Harlan materials are arranged in the following order: First, various items relating to Harlan and his family and materials relating to his father, Sanford M. Harlan. Following this are materials relating to the various churches where he was pastor. These materials are grouped together by state the church was located in. Next are the sermon notes and Bible studies that were bound in loose leaf binders, arranged chronologically. Then, loose sermon notes. Lastly are the miscellaneous items.

Provenance:

_____ The collection was donated by the Walla Walla College Library in 2001. The collection was given to the library in response to an appeal for book donations to send to Kenya. Harlan's rare books were gleaned from the collection before it was donated to the library.

Use:

All users of this collection are required to complete the "Application to Use Unpublished Records," and to observe the regulations specified in the "Patron Agreement" and "Researcher's Code of Conduct." All records in this collection are open and available for research. Citation for this collection:

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Inventory

A. Harlan Family Documents

- Bx 1 Fld 1 N. M. Harlan family materials
- Bx 1 Fld 2 N. M. Harlan diary (1983)
- Bx 1 Fld 3 Appointment book with wedding plans for daughter's wedding
- Bx 1 Fld 4 Sanford Harlan materials

B. Church Documents

- Bx 1 Fld 5 Tennessee Church(es)
- Bx 1 Fld 6 Florida Church(es)
- Bx 1 Fld 7 Minnesota Church(es)
- Bx 1 Fld 8 Wisconsin Church(es)
- Bx 1 Fld 9 Washington (*Contains material from La Sierra SDA Church)

C. Sermon and Bible Study notes

- Bx 2 Fld 1 Binder 1 (1940)
 - Titles of Sermons by Nevins M. Harlan
 - Quotations on Conversion and Baptism of Children
- Bx 2 Fld 2 Binder 2 (c. 1947)
 - Bible Studies: 20th Century Bible Course
 - Collection of Choice Quotations
 - Sermon Notes
- Bx 2 Fld 3 Binder 3 (1957)
 - Bible Studies
 - Sermon outlines
 - Ingathering Statistics (unknown congregation)
- Bx 2 Fld 4 Binder 4 (1958)
 - Sermon Notes/Bible Studies (including Mayse Studio filmstrip
 - Bible lectures notes)
- Bx 2 Fld 5 Binder 5 (c. 1961)
 - The Shaking, Spiritualism, Catholicism
- Bx 2 Fld 6 Binder 6 (1964)
 - Manuscript for 5-day Stop Smoking Group Sessions

- Bx 2 Fld 7 Binder 7 (1965-66)
Sermons: Christian Witness, Short Books of the Bible
- Bx 2 Fld 8 Binder 8 (1968)
Prayer Meeting Studies (Nature of Christ, "Testimonies
Countdown", etc.)
- Bx 2 Fld 9 Binder 9 (1968)
"New Dimension Series" Outlines: Seminar in Personal Soul
Winning (Walla Walla College Church)
- Bx 3 Fld 1 Binder 10 (c. 1960's)
Twenty Bible Study Outlines
- Bx 3 Fld 2 Binder 11 (1972)
Stewardship Sermons: "Reach Out for Life" Evangelistic
Sermons, Bible/health topics
- Bx 3 Fld 3 Binder 12 (1972)
"Reach Out for Life" Evangelistic Sermons and Outlines
- Bx 3 Fld 4 Unbound Sermons
"Mud Road Religion," "5 Steps I must take in order to have
Eternal Life," thoughts on Enoch

D. Miscellaneous materials

- Bx 3 Fld 5 Newspaper clippings, poems, letters, etc.
- Bx 4 Fld 1 Portfolio (1963-1964)
Newspaper Clippings about 5-Day Stop Smoking Program

ITEMS TRANSFERRED OUT

20 Little Giants--Little Giant Pocket Series. Washington, D. C.: Review and Herald Publishing Association (Brochure)

Origin of Sunday Observance in the Christian Church. (Tract)

Seventh-day Adventists and Civil Government. Takoma Park, D.C.: 1940 (Booklet)

The Voice of Truth News, Vol. 1, no. 1. Lakeland, FL. 1946

The Voice of Truth News, Vol. 1, no. 4. Lakeland, FL. 1947

Wondering? Washington, D.C. ("Better Living" Tract series)

Evans, I. H. *The Ministry of Reconciliation.* Takoma Park, D.C.: Washington College Press, 1926.

Harlan, Sanford. *In Hare Land--A Short History of on branch of the Harlan Family, 1625 -1962.* Kirstein & Son, Printers. (8 copies)

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Jones, A. T. *The American Papacy.* Oakland, CA: Pacific Press Publishing Association

McElhany, J. L., C. S. Longacre, ed. *The Temperance Bulletin.* Takoma Park, D. C.: The American Temperance Society, 1942.

Pingenot, E. L. *Order of Events--in the travels of the Advent People to the Holy City.* Lincoln, NE.

Richards, H. M. S. *Some "Hard Nuts" Cracked.* Nashville: Southern Publishing Association.

Wilcox, F. M. *Quit Yourselves Like Men--An Open Letter to our Young Men in Camp and Field.* Takoma Park, Washington, D.C., 1940

La Sierra SDA Church. *Four Steps To Eternal Life.* Riverside, CA. (Tract)

Walla Walla General Hospital. *Home Health Care Service.* (Pamphlets, two)

Washington Missionary College. *Class Schedule--First Semester.* 1935-1936

Washington Missionary College. *Class Schedule--Second Semester.* 1935-1936

Wisconsin Academy. *The Badger.* Columbus, WI. 1944.

Wisconsin Academy. *The Badger.* Columbus, WI. 1950

Wisconsin Academy. *The Badger.* Columbus, WI. 1956

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Wisconsin Academy. *The Badger.* Columbus, WI. 1958

Wisconsin Academy. *The Badger.* Columbus, WI. 1964