

**Register of the**

**Frederick Griggs Papers:**

**Arnold C. Reye**

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## Biography

Frederick Griggs (1867-1952), was a Seventh-day Adventist educator and administrator. He was educated at Battle Creek College, the University of Buffalo, and Washington Missionary College. He married Blanche Eggleston in 1892. While principal of the Preparatory School of Battle Creek College (1890-1899), he strongly advocated establishing a teacher-training school, with the result that in 1896 he became the first head of such a school connected with a Seventh-day Adventist college.

He held the following positions after his time at Battle Creek College

1899-1907	Principal, South Lancaster Academy
1903-1910	Secretary, General Conference Department of Education
1910-1914	President, Union College
1915-1918	Secretary, General Conference Department of Education
1918-1925	President, Emmanuel Missionary College
1925-1930	Field Secretary, Far Eastern Division
1931-1936	President, Far Eastern Division
1936-1938	President, China Division

After returning to the United States in 1938, Griggs held for 11 years the chairmanship of the Board of Trustees of the College of Medical Evangelists and of the Pacific Press.

His first wife, Blanche, died in 1939. In 1940 he married Mabel Shaffer Murrin. He died at the White Memorial Hospital on August 10, 1952.

## Scope

The Frederick Griggs Papers: Arnold C. Reye Collection contains Frederick Griggs' correspondence from 1892 to 1949, and several other documents regarding his life and work. This collection is a significant portion of the material Reye collected during his dissertation research. His dissertation is entitled, *Frederick Griggs: Seventh-day Adventist Educator and Administrator*. Besides Griggs' correspondence we find in the collection: Blanche Griggs' diaries from 1916 to 1923 (incomplete); the manuscript "Frederick Griggs, Man of Vision, Molder of Lives" by M. C. Kuhn; "A report on F. Griggs' Educational Theory," by Arnold C. Reye; Memorials on F. Griggs from several individuals (Reye's correspondence); and other documents related to him.

## **Arrangement**

The material is kept in chronological and topical sequence, in much the same order as received. Much of the material comes from the General Conference Archives. The Archives uses RG for record group followed by a number designating a department or service. Griggs materials are sourced as follows:

Box 1 mostly comes from RG 11 (Presidential)

Box 2 and 3 are from a mix of RG 9 (General and Historical), RG 11 (Presidential), RG 17 (Field Secretary), RG 21 (Secretariat), RG 31 (Treasury), LLUHR, CH 1 (China Division Minutes), and FE 1 (Far Eastern Division Minutes)

## **Extent**

5 Hollinger Boxes [2 linear feet]

## **Provenance**

Arnold C. Reye, in an agreement between his dissertation chair, George Knight, and the General Conference Archives, donated this collection to the Andrews University Heritage Room in the James White Library, in January 27, 1984.

## **Use**

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

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### INVENTORY

#### I. General/Biographical

##### Frederick Griggs

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| Box 1 Fld 1 | Miscellaneous biographical documents                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Box 1 Fld 2 | Studies at the University of Buffalo                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Box 1 Fld 3 | General Conference Actions related to Griggs                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Box 1 Fld 4 | Griggs' visit to Australia<br>Australasian Union Conference<br>Executive Minutes, October 18,<br>1916<br><i>Australasian Record</i> (1916)<br>November 20, page 1-2<br>December 4, page 6-7<br>December 11, page 6-7<br>December 18, page 1-3<br>December 25, page 1-2 |
| Box 1 Fld 5 | Sustentation Fund                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Box 1 Fld 6 | Obituaries                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Box 1 Fld 7 | Reye's correspondence and interviews about<br>Griggs                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |

##### Blanche Griggs [First wife of F. Griggs]

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| Box 1 Fld 8 | Photocopies of Diaries, 1916 to 1923 |
| Box 1 Fld 9 | Obituaries                           |

Mabel Griggs [Second wife of F. Griggs]

Box 1 Fld 10          Obituary

**II.      Writings About Griggs**

Box 1 Fld 11          Kuhn, May Cole, *Frederick Griggs*. (1983 Manuscript, 248 pages)

Box 1 Fld 12          Kuhn, May Cole, *Frederick Griggs: Man of Vision, Molder of Lives*. (1983 Manuscript, 273 pages)

Box 1 Fld 13          Kuhn, May Cole, "He Helped to Light the Lamp That Has Never Gone Out." *The Journal of Adventist Education* (October-November, 1982), pages 17-18, 43-44

Box 1 Fld 14          Reye, Arnold C. "Frederick Grigg's Educational Theory and the Educational Climate of the 1890s." (Report for a Course, 66 pages)

Box 1 Fld 15          Poems in tribute to Frederick Griggs

**III.      Chronological Files** [mostly correspondence plus some minutes and other documents]

Box 2 Fld 1          1892 to 1903 [79 letters]  
Senders and recipients: F. Griggs, P. T. Magan, W. C. White, O. A. Olsen, E. G. White, W. W. Prescott, Ida Woodward, H. W. Cottrell, G. I. Butler, L. A. Hoopes, W. T. Knox, S. N. Haskell, J. H. Kellogg, A. G. Daniells, G. H. Murphy, E. J. Waggoner, H. E. Rogers, C. H. Parsons, A. G. Haughey, E. A. Sutherland, W. A. Spicer, I. H. Evans

Box 2 Fld 2          1904 to 1905 [72 letters]  
Senders and recipients: H. E. Rogers, F. Griggs, A. G. Daniells, C. C. Lewis, W. A. Spicer, E. A. Sutherland, H. R. Salisbury, J. W. Lawhead, L. A. Hoopes

- Box 2 Fld 3            1906 [88 letters]  
Senders and recipients: F. Griggs, W. A. Spicer, A. G. Daniells, Estella Hauser, E. E. Andross, L. R. Conradi, Allen Moon, H. R. Salisbury, W. J. Stone, C. L. Stone, E. W. Farnsworth, W. J. Fitzgerald
- Box 2 Fld 4            1907 [56 letters]  
Senders and recipients: A. G. Daniells, F. Griggs, W. C. White, W. A. Spicer, W. B. White
- Box 2 Fld 5            1908 to 1909 [50 letters]  
Senders and recipients: A. G. Daniells, E. R. Palmer, W. A. Spicer, F. Griggs, H. R. Salisbury, W. S. R. Philipps, E. W. Farnsworth, Mrs. Winnie G. Cady, E. T. Russell
- Box 2 Fld 6            1910 [48 letters]  
Senders and recipients: E. A. Sutherland, A. G. Daniells, F. Griggs, E. M. Graham, M. E. Cady, C. C. Lewis, B. M. Emerson, B. E. Huffman, W. A. Ruble, T. E. Bowen, W. A. Spicer,
- Box 2 Fld 7            1911 to 1913 [92 letters]  
Senders and recipients: F. Griggs, W. A. Spicer, A. G. Daniells, T. E. Bowen, W. T. Knox, E. T. Russell, H. R. Salisbury, A. T. Robinson, J. D. Rockefeller, P. J. Rennings, A. J. Sanderson, C. R. Spangler, W. C. White, Mrs. M. H. Crothers, H. A. Morrison, G. W. Wells, J. Shively, H. F. Rand, H. E. Rogers, C. L. Benson, C. W. Irwin, W. H. Meredith, E. J. Hibbard, I. H. Evans, J. L. Shaw, M. E. Kern, W. E. Howell, E. W. Farnsworth,
- Box 3 Fld 1            1914 [40 letters/documents]  
Senders and recipients: J. L. Shaw, I. H. Evans, F. Griggs, W. E. Howell, W. A. Spicer, C. W. Irwin, A. Garrett, C. L. Stone, E. A. Sutherland, R. A. Underwood, H. A. Morrison, A. T. Robinson, A. G. Daniells, H. R. Salisbury, F. H. Williams, B. F. Machlan, J. H. Schilling, W. E. Straw, W. A. Ruble,

- Box 3 Fld 2            1915 to 1917 [41 letters/documents]  
Senders and recipients: T. E. Bowen, F. Griggs, W. A. Spicer, A. G. Daniells, W. W. Prescott, N. A. Johnson, W. E. Howell, H. C. Lacey, O. A. Johnson, W. E. Straw, J. W. Westphal, C. A. Russell, S. L. Frost, W. E. Nelson, N. Evans
- Box 3 Fld 3            1918 [76 letters/documents]  
Senders and recipients: F. Griggs, H. U. Stevens, N. Evans, A. J. Graf, C. A. Russell, C. L. Stone, S. L. Frost, W. E. Nelson, C. P. Crager, T. W. Steen, M. M. Mattison, M. Lukens, I. H. Evans, R. A. Underwood, F. R. Isaac, J. W. Christian, M. P. Robison, C. Thompson, A. P. Heflin, G. R. Fattio
- Box 3 Fld 4            1922 to 1929 [48 letters/documents]  
Senders and recipients: F. Griggs, P. T. Magan, J. L. Shaw, I. H. Evans, C. C. Crister, D. E. Griggs, W. E. Howell
- Box 3 Fld 5            1930 [29 letters/documents]  
Senders and recipients: C. K. Meyers, I. H. Evans, E. Kotz, S. L. Frost, C. C. Crister, P. R. Josselyn, M. E. Kern, C. H. Watson, H. W. Miller
- Box 3 Fld 6            1931 [74 letters/documents]  
Senders and recipients: C. C. Crisler, M. E. Kern, F. Griggs, O. A. Hall, C. H. Watson, E. Kotz, E. Woesner, J. G. Gjording, E. L. McElhany
- Box 3 Fld 7            1932 [78 letters/documents]  
Senders and recipients: M. E. Kern, F. Griggs, C. H. Watson, W.A. Spicer, W. E. Howell, E. Woesner, H. W. Mills, E. Kotz, J. H. Shaw, W. H. Williams, H. J. Perkins,
- Box 3 Fld 8            1933 [62 letters/documents]  
Senders and recipients: F. Griggs, C. H. Watson, E. Kotz, J. L. Shaw, C. K. Meyers, E. Woesner, M. E. Kern, W. E. Howell



- Box 4 Fld 1            1934 [31 letters]  
Senders and recipients: M. E. Kern, F. Griggs,  
W. E. Howell, E. Woesner, W. P. Bradley, H.  
F. Elliott, I. H. Evans, P. L. Suico, A. W.  
Cormack, W. B. Riffel, R. R. Figuhr, C. H.  
Watson
- Box 4 Fld 2            1935, January to May [47 letters/documents]  
Senders and recipients: C. H. Watson, F.  
Griggs, P. L. Suico, A. W. Cormack, M. E.  
Kern, E. J. Urquhart, T. Hall, H. C. Hartman, E.  
Woesner, J. L. Shaw, W. H. Williams, G.  
Calkins
- Box 4 Fld 3            1935, June to December [50 letters/documents]  
Senders and recipients: J. L. Shaw, F. Griggs,  
A. W. Cormack, P. T. Magan, H. Hall, M. E.  
Kern, J. H. McEachern, L. F. Elliott, H. W.  
Williams, C. H. Watson, E. T. Matthews,
- Box 4 Fld 4            1936 [63 letters/documents]  
Senders and recipients: F. Griggs, M. E. Kern,  
H. T. Elliott, C. H. Watson, J. L. Shaw, C. K.  
Myers, C. B. McAfee, H. A. Oberg, H. W.  
Miller, W. E. Nelson, J. L. McElhany, O. A.  
Hall, E. D. Dick, S. L. Frost, W. H. Williams, L.  
H. Butka, H. B. Sevens, A. W. Cormack
- Box 4 Fld 5            1937, January to August [83 letters/documents]  
Senders and recipients: E. D. Dick, F. Griggs,  
J. L. McElhany, C. E. Weaks, S. L. Frost, H. T.  
Elliott, H. W. Miller, J. C. McCracken, W. A.  
Scharffenberg, E. M. Redelstein, A. W.  
Cormack, W. H. Williams, W. E. Nelson, C. C.  
Morris
- Box 4 Fld 6            1937, September to December [72 letters/documents]  
Senders and recipients: A. W. Cormack, F.  
Griggs, C. E. Weaks, H. L. Shull, E. M.  
Redelstein, W. E. Nelson, S. L. Frost, J. L.  
McElhany, H. L. Graham, R. Shipley, W. A.  
Scharffenberg, H. T. Elliott, H. W. Miller, B. A.  
Liu

- Box 4 Fld 7            1938, January to May [74 letters/documents]  
Senders and recipients: F. Griggs, P. T. Magan, A. W. Cormack, H. W. Miller, J. L. McElhany, W. E. Nelson, S. L. Frost, W. G. Nethery, C. C. Morris, D. E. Rebok, M. Ogle, R. W. Paul
- Box 4 Fld 8            1938, June to December [68 letters/documents]  
Senders and recipients: F. Griggs, E. D. Dick, C. C. Morris, J. L. McElhany, A. W. Cormack, J. G. McIntyre, E. R. Thiele, W. E. Nelson, S. L. Frost, D. E. Rebok, E. L. Longway, J. A. Stevens, B. Mount, C. Schroeter, A. L. Ham, H. W. Miller, P. T. Magan, G. K. Beatty
- Box 5 Fld 1            1939 to 1942 [62 letters/documents]  
Senders and recipients: F. Griggs, P. T. Magan, J. L. McElhany, M. N. Campbell, J. H. Cochran, H. G. Childs, B. Mount, C. L. Dale, F. M. Wilcox
- Box 5 Fld 2            1943 to 1946 [121 letters/documents]  
Senders and recipients: Mrs. E. H. Risley, H. T. Elliott, F. Griggs, J. L. McElhany, A. T. Benjamin, E. D. Dick, N. C. Wilson, B. W. Halstead
- Box 5 Fld 3            1947 to 1949 [92 letters/documents]  
Senders and recipients: N. C. Wilson, F. Griggs, J. L. McElhany, A. W. Cormack, W. P. Bradley, J. I. Robison, H. Ermshar, A. S. Maxwell, T. Flaiz, W. E. Nelson, G. T. Harding, O. A. Hudson, W. K. Kellogg, W. E. Macpherson, E. D. Dick, D. J. Wheeler, H. G. Childs

#### IV. Educational Institutions

##### Home Study Institute

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| Box 5 Fld 4 | Simmons, Marion Seitz, "A History of the Home Study Institute (Seventh Day Adventist Church)," 1953 [Thesis, incomplete pages] |
| Box 5 Fld 5 | Teesdale, W. Homer "Home Study Institute" (7 pages)                                                                            |
| Box 5 Fld 6 | "Suggestions on the Correspondence School" and Minutes of the Correspondence School Board (1909 to 1913)                       |

##### Central Union Conference Bulletin (Union College)

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| Box 5 Fld 7  | 1910, First and Second Quarter (photocopy)                                                        |
| Box 5 Fld 8  | 1911, Second Quarter (photocopy)                                                                  |
| Box 5 Fld 9  | 1912, Second Quarter (photocopy)                                                                  |
| Box 5 Fld 10 | Joint Union Summer School of the Pacific and North Pacific Union Conferences, June to August 1912 |
| Box 5 Fld 11 | South Lancaster Academy Board Minutes, March 1899 to November 1906                                |

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