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Virle R. Neall Papers
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Biography

Virle R. Neall (1894-1979), served the Seventh-day Adventist Church in business and secretarial work for 19 years. He was educated at Bagwell's Business College in 1909 and graduated from Southern Training School in 1916. In 1916 to 1917, he served as secretary to Elder I. H. Evans, president of the North American Division, and to Elder A. G. Daniells, president of the General Conference. He served in the Seventh-day Adventist publishing house book depositories in Atlanta, Georgia; South Bend, Indiana; and at the main offices of the Review and Herald Publishing Association in Washington, D.C. He later served as secretary-treasurer of the North Wisconsin Conference and helped audit church books in the New York Conference after his retirement in 1960. He married Marvelle Eastman in 1921, and died August 20, 1979.

Scope

The Virle R. Neall Papers contain his diaries and several other documents regarding his life and work. The account of his work and travels in 1916 and 1917 with I. H. Evans and A. G. Daniells is particularly interesting, giving insight into the life and work of church officials.

There is also a diary from his grandfather, Frank Peabody (d. 1919) from 1883. In this year, Peabody was a Seventh-day Adventist minister in the western portions New York and Pennsylvania.

Arrangement

There is some family information and biographical material about Neall in the beginning, but the bulk of the collection are diaries in chronological sequence.

Extent

4 Hollinger Boxes [1.5 linear feet]

Provenance

Virle R. Neall donated this collection to the Andrews University James White Library Heritage Room in 1976.
Use

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INVENTORY

1. Family and Biographical

Frank Peabody [maternal grandfather]

Box 1 Fld 1 Diary, 1883

Box 1 Fld 2 Excerpts from diary, 1883 [typescript]

John H. Neall [father]

Box 1 Fld 4 Advertisements in Good Health for the Guadalajara Sanitarium. J. H. Neall was a physician. 1895, 1898.

Box 1 Fld 5 ‘Dr. [John H.] Neall in prison [in Guadalajara, Mexico],’ Medical Missionary, 1895.

Virle R. Neall

Box 1 Fld 6 Autobiography by Virle R. Neall. In three different parts: Beginning to 1915, 1916 to 1917, and 1918 to 1933. Very interesting as he describes working for and traveling with top General Conference officials. Autobiographical Information form.

Box 1 Fld 6a Statements from Bagwell Business College and Atlanta Audit Company regarding Virle Neall’s practical training. 3 statements. 1915.

Box 1 Fld 7 Article: Meetings of Our Missionaries from Across the Pacific. About 1916.

Box 1 Fld 8 Correspondence, 1914 to 1919, 1976, mainly about changing jobs. [9 letters]

Box 1 Fld 9 Missionary Credentials, issued to Neall by the North American Division, 1916.

Box 1 Fld 10 Photograph: Virle R. Neall, 24 years old, 1918, in military uniform.
## II. Diary

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<td>Box 1 Fld 13</td>
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Box 3 Fld 3  1932
Box 3 Fld 4  Camp meeting notes, 1933
Box 3 Fld 5  1933 to 1937 [multi-year in one book]
Box 3 Fld 6  1938 to 1942 [multi-year in one book]
Box 3 Fld 7  Memopad, 1940 [mostly about farm equipment]
Box 3 Fld 8  1945
Box 3 Fld 9  1946 to 1950 [multi-year in one book]
Box 3 Fld 10 1958 to 1966 [multi-year in one book]
Box 3 Fld 11 1968 to 1972 [multi-year in one book]

III. Appointment books / calendars

Box 4 Fld 2  1923
Box 4 Fld 3  1924
Box 4 Fld 4  1925
Box 4 Fld 5  1926
Box 4 Fld 6  1927
Box 4 Fld 7  1929
Box 4 Fld 8  1933
Box 4 Fld 9  1943
Box 4 Fld 10 1944
Box 4 Fld 11  Desk calendar, 1975
Box 4 Fld 12  Desk calendar, 1976
**Items Removed**

Booklet: Topics for Bookmen’s and Tract Society Secretaries’ Convention by Southeastern Union Conference, Dec 22, 1913 to Jan 2, 1914.


Picture: S.D.A. Medical Council at Madison, Wis. Jun 5 to 10, 1916.

Photograph: David Paulson?

Photograph: Mary Paulson?

Photograph: first office of the Review and Herald and General Conference, 1903.

Recital brochure by the Vocal and Violin Department of the Southern Training School, 1913.

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