

**Register of the**  
**Phipps Family Collection**  
**Collection 223**

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# **Phipps Family Collection (Collection 223)**

## **Scope and Content**

Barbara Phipps (1915-2003) was a librarian at Emmanuel Missionary College, and later at Pacific Union College. Her parents, Burton H. and Nettie Eaton Phipps, met in southern Illinois as colporteurs. At the time Nettie was the secretary-treasurer of the Southern Illinois Conference located in Springfield. Her parents married on June 3, 1914 and two years later Barbara was born.

Her father, Burton, was a career biologist. He began teaching in 1911 at an academy in Indiana followed by time spent at Adelphian Academy in Holly, Michigan. This was followed by four years of teaching at Atlantic Union College.

The bulk of this collection centers around Burton Phipps' 32-year tenure as a teacher and later head of the Emmanuel Missionary College (now Andrews University) Biology department. During this time Barbara graduated from Emmanuel Missionary College, taught for a few years, and then returned where she became a librarian in the College library. Her mother, Nettie, worked at Northwestern University, University of Michigan, and Chicago University (now the University of Chicago). In 1961 Barbara and her parents moved to Pacific Union College where Burton taught biology and Barbara worked in the library.

This collection contains memorabilia, documents, and photographs connected with their careers. Of significance are early pictures of the tract and missionary society in Springfield, Illinois, and photos relating to the biology department at Emmanuel Missionary College, including a few pictures of conventions of Adventist biology teachers. In addition, the Phipps had a wide circle of friends as evidenced by numerous Christmas cards they exchanged with their friends. The collection encompasses a broad window into the life of the Phipps including Christmas cards from other friends (such as the Eatons, Smiths, Gaylord, etc.), family vacations, life at Emmanuel Missionary College, and Pacific Union College.

## **Arrangement**

The arrangement of the collection was done by the Center for Adventist Research. The collection consists of two parts: paper files and photographs. Most of the photos are in six photo albums with the additional photos in file folders. The majority of photographs (about 80 percent) are identified.

## **Provenance**

Gifted to Pacific Union College by Barbara H. Phipps, the collection was donated in 2004 to the Andrews University Center for Adventist Research since the bulk of the collection concerns the history of Andrews University.

The original manuscript of Burton H. Phipps' morning watch devotional book, *Day Unto Day*, was donated directly from Barbara H. Phipps to the Andrews University Heritage Room in 1997.

## **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. Personal and Biographical Items

- Box1 Fld 1 1989 Medallion.
- Box1 Fld 2 Miscellaneous items and annuals belonging to Barbara
  - 1920 *Student Movement*
  - 1939 *Cardinal*
- Box1 Fld 3 Personal artifacts
  - Infant shoes
  - EMC patches 1937
  - 2 family pictures
- Box 1 Fld 4 Books and Diary
  - Burton H. Phipps private copy of Ellen G. White, *Steps to Christ* (Washington, DC: Review and Herald, 1908) owned while in South Lancaster Academy; 2nd copy *Steps to Christ* (Mountain View, CA: Pacific Press, 1934)
  - Barbara Phipps Diary, 1939.
- Box 1 Fld 5 Andrews University Alumni Association
  - 50 Year Class of 1939 Andrews University Reunion
    - "50 Years of Achievement, Class of 1939, Andrews University, Berrien Springs, MI: A Portrait of the Graduating Class of 1939 After 50 Years, A Souvenir of the Golden Anniversary Reunion, April 27-30, 1989."
  - Personal History of Barbara H. Phipps (1991)
  - Artifact: Wooden pen holder for Burton H. Phipps, class of 1920 by Andrews University Alumni Association, April 26, 1970.
  - Wood from the "Option Elm" 1904-1967.
- Box 1 Fld 5a Burton Hartwell Phipps Biographical Sketch
- Box 1 Fld 6 Barbara Phipps Biographical Sketch
- Box 1 Fld 7 Phipps Family Tree
- Box 1 Fld 8 Biographical information and correspondence between Barbara Phipps and the Eaton family

II. Original Manuscript, *Day Unto Day* (Morning Watch Devotional Book, 1954)

- Bx 1a Fld 1 January and February Manuscripts
- Bx 1a Fld 2 March and April Manuscripts
- Bx 1a Fld 3 May and June Manuscripts
- Bx 1a Fld 4 July and August Manuscripts
- Bx 1a Fld 5 September and October Manuscripts
- Bx 1a Fld 6 November and December Manuscripts, Scripture Index /Notes

III. Photographs

- Box 2 Fld 1 Barbara Phipps Babyhood, 1915-1920, Adelphia.
- Box 2 Fld 2 Adelphia 1918  
Emmanuel Missionary College, 1920.
- Box 2 Fld 3 Rolled photographs
  - Southern Illinois Conference Camp Meeting, Taylorville, Aug. 14-24, 1913. List of 26 people identified (Nettie Eaton [later Mrs. Phipps] is in photograph).
  - Battle Creek Academy, 1926. Includes an image of the Academy with children playing in front.
  - Battle Creek Academy, 1st through 4th grade students, ca. 1920s.
  - Battle Creek Academy, 5th through 8th grade students, ca. 1920s.
- Box 3 Fld 1 Regular photographs
  - Southern Illinois Conference workers (presumably items belonging to Nellie Eaton [later Mrs. Phipps]), ca. 1910-1915.
  - Ethel Hayes. Du Quoin, Ill.: Wheatley, postcard photograph, ca. 1910.
  - Elder and Mrs. Wight, and Letta. Holly, MI: postcard photograph, ca. 1910.
  - Dr. A. G. Daniells. Postcard photograph, ca. 1910.
  - Springfield Camp meeting, Canvassers Nettie Eaton and Burton H. Phipps, Postcard photograph, 1912-1913.
  - Charles Andrews and Joe Nixon. Postcard photograph. Streator, Ill.: W. E. Judd, ca. 1910-1915.
  - Canvassers So. Ill. Postcard photograph, 1910-1915.
  - Southern Illinois Group. Postcard photograph, 1910-1915.
  - Edith MacClellan. Postcard photograph, 1910-1915
  - Southern Illinois Camp Meeting Tract Society, people include Joe Mace, Ben Stureinman, Nettie Eaton, May Parker. Postcard photograph, 1910-1915.
  - Nettie and Bible workers in Peoria, Illinois. Martina, Sorenson, Dolly Burnesa, Nellie Eaton, Rockwell, "Mom," Etta Chism, and Clara Silver. Mounted print, ca. 1910.
  - Mrs. Bruce. Photograph, undated.

- “What Should Constitute Tract Society Office Equipment.”  
 Unpublished document, undated, 3 pp.
- “Prayer Bands.” Unpublished document, undated, 3 pp.
- Box 3 Fld 2 Emmanuel Missionary College/Battle Creek  
 Emily Crouch Fairchild. Mounted print in folder. Sister Lakes,  
 Mich: Paul Frank, ca. 1920.  
 Grace Fairchild. Battle Creek, Mich.: Charles W. Young, ca.  
 1920.  
 Forest View Cottage soon after Rathbun built it. Phipps home,  
 EMC, ca. 1920.  
 Emmanuel Missionary College building. Mounted print, ca.  
 1920.  
 EMC Building. Postcard photograph, ca. 1920.  
 EMC Newton Woods Field Trip, ca. 1920.  
 Burton H. Phipps, undated.  
 Burton H. Phipps in lab coat at desk, EMC, undated.  
 Battle Creek Academy Class. Identified people include  
 Carter, Dorothy Foote, Helen Merreas, Dorothea Sheldon,  
 Grace Koder, Freda Keinas, Marjorie Sargant, Anita  
 Hermann, Irene Coultan, and Myra Simpson.
- Box 3 Fld 3 Eaton, Gaylord, and Smith Families.  
 Merriel Smith. Mounted print in folder. Boulder, Colo.: Jones  
 Studio, ca. 1920.  
 Aunta Anna Gaylord. Mounted print in folder. Newcastle,  
 Indiana: Hurdle Studio, ca. 1920.  
 Jennie Smith and Arthur Smith (age 4 months). Postcard  
 photograph, ca. 1920.  
 Merriel & Corliss Smith. Postcard photograph, ca. 1920.  
 Nettie Eaton and Jennie. Cabinet card. Fairchild, Indiana:  
 Newton, ca. 1890?  
 Anna Gaylord and Arthur Gaylord. Cabinet card. Centralia,  
 Illinois: Ritchie Bros., ca. 1900.  
 Arthur Gaylord, Anna Gaylord, Beth Gaylord “A Happy New  
 Year to Nettie.” Oval mounted print. Centralia, Illinois:  
 Ritchie Bros., ca. 1900.  
 Sam Smith and Jennie Smith. Mounted print, ca. 1900.  
 Corliss Smith and Merriel Smith. Postcard photograph, ca.  
 1920.  
 Sam Smith, Jennie Smith, Merryl Smith, Corliss Smith, and  
 Arthur Smith. Picture, 1920.  
 Anna Gaylord in folder. Chicago, IL: Sykes, ca. 1920.  
 Arthur Gaylord in folder. Chicago, IL: Sykes, ca. 1920.  
 Jennie Smith and Sam Smith in folder. n.p., ca. 1930-1940.  
 Nettie Smith and Merrell Smith. Mounted print, Battle Creek, MI:  
 ca. 1920.  
 “Grandma” Herald. Undated print.  
 Unidentified. Undated print.

William Eaton "Grandpa Eaton." Albumen print cabinet card, ca. 1880/1900.

Jennie Eaton Smith. Mount Vernon, IL: A. B. Wolf. Oval mounted print, ca. 1910.

Anna Gaylord. Photograph.

Sam Smith and Merrell Smith. Postcard photograph, ca. 1920.

Sam Smith and family. Photograph in folder.

Box 3 Fld 4 Herald Family Pictures

Grandpa Herald's Home. Grandpa Herald, Grandma, Nettie, Vera. Mounted Photograph. Undated.

Old Easton Home. Keeneville, Ill. (?) Mounted Photograph. Undated.

Grandpa Herald. Mounted Photograph. Undated.

Ethel Hayes with Eugene Hayes (2 months old). Postcard photograph. Undated.

Herald Home. Postcard photograph. 1914.

Grandma Herald. Oval mounted print. Undated.

Hazel and Gladys Hazel (childhood picture). Mounted printed. Undated.

Roy Herald (childhood picture). Mounted printed. Undated.

Gladys Herald (baby picture). Mounted printed. Undated.

Gladys Herald-Sauder. Folder mounted print. Undated.

Vera Herald. Undated print.

Vera Herald (baby picture). Undated print.

Gladys Herald (baby picture). Mounted print, undated.

Vera Herald (childhood picture). Oval mounted print, undated.

Vera Herald (baby picture). Mounted print, undated.

Ralph Herald (baby picture). Mounted print, undated.

Wa. Herald, Vera, Lula (family picture). Mounted print, undated.

Vera Herald. Folder mounted printed, undated.

Box 3 Fld 5 Eaton Family Pictures

Keith Eaton. Small mounted print, undated.

Keith and Verna Eaton. Folder mounted print, undated.

Shaen, Tom and Pat Magan (Virginia's sons). Undated print.

Keith Eaton, Sr. Folder mounted print, undated.

Bill Eaton. Large, folder mounted print.

Virginia Eaton (childhood picture). Folder mounted print, undated.

Virginia Eaton Magan. Large, folder mounted print, undated.

Keith and Grandma Herald (after father Eaton died). Mounted print.

Bill Eaton (baby picture). Large, folder mounted print, undated.

Bill Eaton (baby picture). Oval mounted print, undated.

Virginia Eaton. Folder mounted print, undated.

Keith Eaton's Family (Keith, Verna, Bill and Virginia). Large, folder mounted print, undated.

Bx 3a Fld 1 Phipps and House Family Pictures

Marjorie Verline House (1 year). Folder mounted print, undated.

Marjorie House (baby picture). Folder mounted print, undated.

Harry House (baby picture). Folder mounted print, undated.

Ruth and Harry House (wedding picture). Folder mounted print, undated.

Gladys Phipps (nurse picture) Folder mounted print, undated.

Gladys Phipps and Walter, Edna, Ruth. Undated print.

Joanna House Crowe. Large, folder mounted print, undated.

Harry House (youth picture). Large, folder mounted print, undated.

Jean Phipps (childhood picture). Large, folder mounted print, undated.

Gladys Phipps (graduation picture). Folder mounted print.

Gladys Phipps. Postcard print, undated.

Joanna House Crowe (childhood picture). Undated print.

Ruth (House-?) & Burton (?). Undated print.

Janet Crowe. (Youth picture). Undated print.

Burton & Nettie Phipps; E. A. Bristol (wedding picture-couple and minister) (June 3, 1914). Postcard print.

Gladys and Ruth. Undated print.

Gladys and Ruth. Undated print

Ruth Phipps. Undated print.

Gladys Phipps. Folder, mounted print, undated.

Jackie Crowe (Youth/ School picture). Undated print.

Joanna House (childhood picture) Undated print.

Family picture: Ruth, Harry House, Joanna, Margie (undated).

Ruth House. Folder mounted print, undated.

Jean Phipps (?) Large oval mounted picture.

Bx 3a Fld 2 Pictures of Nettie Eaton and friends.

Pearl Reese. Folder mounted print, undated.

Nettie Eaton (Springfield office). Postcard print, undated.

Nettie Eaton and friends: Etta Chisom, Nettie, Dolly Burneson, Martina Sorenson, Nellie Rothwell, Clara Silver. Mounted print, undated.

Pearl Reese. Oval mounted print, undated.

Nettie Eaton. Folder mounted print, undated.

Nettie Eaton, May Parker (Southern Illinois Office). Postcard print, undated.

Nettie Eaton. Oval mounted print, undated.

Nettie Eaton. Oval mounted print, undated.

Bx 3a Fld 3 Phipps Family Pictures

Grandpa & Grandma Phipps. Undated print.

Review and Herald Publishing Association Workers. Postcard print (sent to Burton Phipps), undated.

Marie (Uncle Harvey's wife), her sister, mother and Peter. Undated print.



Phipps Family picture: Henry (Father), Lena (Mother), Ruth, Arthur, Clara, Walter. Postcard print, undated.  
Watchman on the U. S. Capitol Dome. Postcard print, undated.  
Vanolia Earls on the U. S. Capitol Dome. Postcard print, no date.

May Breed-Scharnwebber. Postcard print, undated.  
Eatons of Jeddo, NY. Postcard print, undated.  
Chester (Eaton-Jeddo) (Dec. 2, 1908) Postcard print.  
Family picture: Aunt Ada, Aunt Silly, Uncle Harvey (Walters?) (childhood picture). Undated print.  
Church picture (Jeddo, NY). Photo taken by W. C. Eaton

Bx 3a Fld 4 Phipps and Walters Family Pictures

Arthur Phipps (age 11) (Nov. 17, 1915). Postcard print.  
Lena Phipps. Postcard print, undated.  
Arthur Phipps with mother and girlfriend. Undated print.  
Arthur Phipps with broken arm (childhood picture). Undated print.  
Ruth House. Folder mounted print, undated.  
Family (Phipps) picture: Jim, Theatis, Lloyd, Dick, Clara and Ora. Folder mounted print, undated.  
Family picture: Walter Phipps' children: Dick, Lloyd, Verona, Theatis. Folder mounted print, undated.  
Marjorie House-Bata. Folder mounted print, undated.  
Arthur and Rubye Phipps. Folder mounted print, undated.  
Unidentified woman (elderly). Undated print.  
Gladys Phipps. Folder mounted print, undated.  
Gladys Phipps. Large print undated.  
Walter and Edna Phipps. Folder mounted print, undated.  
Arthur Phipps (baby/childhood picture). Mounted print, undated.  
Arthur Phipps (childhood picture). Mounted print, undated.  
Gladys Phipps. (Dec. 25, 1912) Postcard print.  
Grandma & Grandpa Phipps. Folder mounted print, undated.

IV. Photo Albums

Box 4 Photograph Album 1.

This album covers Barbara Phipps' life from her birth (1915) through the 1940s. Photographs Included in this album are:  
Battle Creek Academy 1920s  
Emmanuel Missionary College from when Barbara was a student in the 1930s.  
Indiana Academy where she was teaching in 1939.

Photograph Album 2.

This album covers the Phipps' lives from Emmanuel Missionary College in the 1940s through Pacific Union College in the 1960s.

Included in this album are pictures from:

Pioneer Memorial Church while it was under construction in the early 1960s.

Pictures from the EMC Physics Lab

Christmas cards from friends

Leona Running at her Ph.D. graduation

1967 vacation to Europe Barbara took with her father, Burton.

1965 Seventh-day Adventist History Tour.

Sonoma View Academy.

Grandma and Grandpa Phipps.

Box 5 Photograph Album 3.

This album contains pictures from Emmanuel Missionary College in the 1950s. This album likely belonged to Burton Phipps.

Photographs Included in this album are:

Field trip with the 9th grade biology class.

Biology department at Emmanuel Missionary College.

Pioneer Memorial Church construction in Jan. 1958.

Seminary building dedication with picture and announcement for summer session classes of 1941.

List of SDA Biology professors in North America.

Photograph Album 4.

This album contains pictures from Emmanuel Missionary College from the 1940s through the early 1960s. Photographs Included in this album are:

Emmanuel Missionary College buildings and people.

Family vacation (lots of photographs of geologic formations).

Mentone in 1949.

Camp Au Sable early pictures.

Three Lakes Wisconsin.

Emmanuel Missionary College in the winter.

Picture of Science Teacher's group at Walla Walla (ca. 1950) in front of Sitner Hall.

Picture of Science workers at Union College (ca. 1950s).

Pictures of Florida Sanitarium.

Early pictures of when the Phipps first arrived at Pacific Union College in 1962.

Box 6 Photograph Album 5.

This album contains pictures belonging presumably to Barbara Phipps. Photographs Included in this album are:

Barbara Phipps.

Adelphian Academy in 1943.

Barbara teaching.

Large group in front of the SDA Theological Seminary.

Heppenstalls.

Emmanuel Missionary College band.

Paul Hamel and 1946 band.

Biology Club at Emmanuel Missionary College in 1948.

“Dad” Burton Phipps in his office in 1948.

Emmanuel Missionary College buildings (Gymnasium, old administration building, College Store, etc.) ca. 1949.

Camp Au Sable 1949.

Newbold College in England ca. 1950.

Emmanuel Missionary College students, faculty, and staff in the shape of a “V” ca. 1950.

Photograph Album 6.

This album contains pictures from Emmanuel Missionary College from the 1940s through their move to Pacific Union College in the early 1960s. Photographs Included in this album are:

Notice of golden wedding anniversary announcement for Burton and Nellie Phipps.

Emmanuel Missionary College.

1907 picture, canvassing in Rochester, NY with George William Atchinson Stevens, Walter Phipps, and Burton Phipps.

Early picture of Barbara in Emmanuel Missionary College Library.

Newly constructed Seminary building.

Emmanuel Missionary College Graduation 1961.

Pacific Union College (Boy’s dorm, library, Clark Hall) 1962.

Oversize Item

Painting by Barbara Phipps of a scene from Europe. Placed in Center for Adventist Research artifact storage.

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