Register of the W. H. Branson Collection Collection 109

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W. H. Branson Collection (Collection 109)

Scope and Content

William Henry Branson (1887-1961) served the Seventh-Day Adventist church as evangelist, conference president, division president in Africa (1920-1930), China (1946-1950), and the president of the General Conference (1950-1954).

This collection contains six binders of W. H. Branson's sermon outlines on various topics including church organization, evangelistic series, the exposition of the Bible, and many other topics. These are likely the notes he took to the pulpit when he preached. There are also materials for sermon preparation, such as illustrations from newspapers, quotations from the writings of Ellen G. White and other authors.

Arrangement

The binders are arranged based on limited chronological information in the binder itself. The binders are as Branson left them. The contents within each binder are generally alphabetical with the same topic appearing in more than one binder.

Provenance

Ronald L. Numbers, W. H. Branson's grandson, donated this collection to the Andrews University Center for Adventist Research in 1983.

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All users of this collection will complete the "Application to Use Unpublished Records," and observe the regulation specified in the "Patron's Agreement" and "Researcher's Code of Conduct."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

Box 1: 1930-1947

Binder 1: 1930-1938. Binder 2: 1938-1947. Binder 3: 1940-1947.

Box 2: 1950-1958

Binder 4: 1950-1952. Binder 5: 1942-1954. Binder 6: 1953-1958.

Box 2 Fld 1 Additional documents which were loose in the binders. They did not seem to relate to the pages around them in the binder.

Letter from C. H. Hayton to Branson, October 15, 1938.

"Statistical Summary of Seventh-day Adventists," 1952.

"Autumn council of the General Conference Committee General Actions," October 21-30, 1958.

Correspondences between Ronald L. Numbers, and Louise Dederen, July 7, 13, 1987.

"Interview with Paul Branson" by Ronald L. Numbers in March, 1987.

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