Theodora Wangerin Collection
Collection 92

Scope and Content

Theodora Augusta Magalene Scharffenberg was born on December 17, 1888, in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. On May 5, 1909, she married Rufus Wangrin, and in July of that same year they left as missionaries to Korea. Although Rufus died in 1917 Theodora continued as a missionary in Korea for 43 years, until her retirement in 1952. This collection consists of manuscripts and articles written by Wangerin primarily about the Seventh-day Adventist work in Korea. There are biographies of various individuals, expatriates as well as nationals, who were influential in the development of the Church. There are many clippings from magazines related to the work of the Church.

Also included are several manuscripts and clippings related to the history of Korea, Christian influences, culture, and military activities during the Korean War of the 1950s. Along with the Korean materials are a few items related to Japan.

Arrangement

The collection is arranged topically. See the following inventory for more information.

Provenance

These papers were given to the Adventist Heritage Center by Mrs. Wangerin in June 1972.

Use

All users of this collection will be required to complete the “Application to Use Unpublished Records,” and to observe the regulations specified in the Patron Agreement and Researcher’s Code of Conduct.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:

Box ____, folder _____, Theodora Wangerin Collection (Collection 92), Adventist Heritage Center, James White Library, Andrews University, Berrien Springs, MI.
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Inventory

I. Biographical
Bx 1 Fld 1 The Scharffenberg Family

II. Writings by Theodora S. Wangerin
Published Stories
Bx 1 Fld 2 The Call to Serve
A Christian Story
Ermine and Weasels
Greta Shared and Another Woman's Husband
The Turning Point by Warren H. Roach as Told to T. Wangerin

Pamphlets and Tracks
Bx 1 Fld 3 A Beautiful Public Ceremony
Are You a Child by Adoption
Man's Greatest Need: a Savior
Modern Baptisms
The Story of a Blind and Implicit Obedience
A Tale That Is Told

Articles
Bx 1 Fld 4 Editorial
Life Is a Journey, a Battle and a Race
Our Heavenly Allies: Thousand and Ten Thousand of Allies
Sputnik
The Story of How Adventists Believers Accepted the Seventh Day Sabbath. (Parts 1,2,3 and 4)
What Do Scientists Believe?- a Mineralogist Piles up Evidences for Faith
What Time Is It? It Is Later Than You Think

Bx1 Fld 5 Soul Winning Stories [stories of soul winning in Korea]

Bx1 Fld 6 In Tune With Heaven. no date.

Bx1 Fld 7 Articles by or about Theodora Wangerin in: The Review and Herald, the Youth’s Instructor, and the Far Eastern Division Outlook
III. Korea

Seventh-day Adventists In Korea

History
Bx 1 Fld 8 Trail Blazers [account of pioneer missionaries]
Advent of Christianity and SDA in Korea
History of SDA medical work in Korea
History of SDA educational work in Korea
Minutes of the 23rd biennial session of the Korean Union Mission of SDA (September 1967)

Bx 1 Fld 9 [Magazine Clippings of General Church Activities; Baptisms, Missionary enterprises Sabbath School work etc.]

Individual Biographies of SDA Workers, Written by Theodora Wangerin
Bx 2 Fld 1 A Large Vessel (Pastor Choi Tai Hyun) (2 copies)
Bx 2 Fld 2 High Adventure Seeking for Lost Coins (In Chung Hyuk)
Bx 2 Fld 3 A Shining Star (Kim Ku Hyuk) (2 copies)
Bx 2 Fld 4 Friend and Co-worker (Lew Yung Soon)
Bx 2 Fld 5 The First Seventh-day Adventist to Korea (W. R. Smith)
Bx 2 Fld 6 Elder Edward James Urquhart (unknown author)

Institutions
Bx 2 Fld 7 [Magazines clippings of activities of Korean Union College and Seoul Adventist Hospital, etc.]

Youth Activities
Bx 3 Fld 1 [Magazine clippings of youth activities]
Bx 3 Fld 2 Primary Sabbath School helps, 1964; Booklet on Sabbath school materials

Korea–General

Historical Articles
Bx 3 Fld 3 Captain Basil Hall’s Voyage to the West Cost of Korea
Bx 3 Fld 4 Exploring Unbroken Corners of the Hermit Kingdom, by Roy C. Andrews
Chosen Land of the Morning Calm, by Mabel Craft Deering
The GI Kids of Korea [American soldiers share their food, clothing and shelter with war-torn children of Korea]
Bx 3 Fld 5  Historical Sketch of Korea  
Bx 3 Fld 6  Religious Background of Korea  
Bx 3 Fld 7  Story of Ship-wrecked Dutch Sailors Religion in Korea  
Bx 3 Fld 8  Korean Heroes of Faith  [Stories of Korean Christians under persecution]  
Bx 3 Fld 9  Magazine articles about the dissemination of the Bible in Korea  
Bx 3 Fld 10  Transmission of the Bible in Korea  
Bx 3 Fld 11  The 50th Anniversary Celebration of the Korea Mission of the Presbyterian Church in the USA, June 30 to July 3, 1934  
Bx 3 Fld 11a  Program. 75th Anniversary Celebration of Protestant Missionary Works in Korea, 8 October 1959  

Culture  
Bx 3 Fld 12  Guide to Korea [magazine about Korean people, culture, history, national symbol, etc.]  
Glimpses of Korean life [notes on Korean life, history and culture]  
Korean currency [three notes: 1000 won, 100 won, 10 won]  
Chosen Land of the morning Calm [article on Korean life]  
Exploring unknown Corners of the Hermit Kingdom [Stories on Korean life]  
The Korean Flag [article about the Korean flag]  

Military Activities (Korean War, 1950s)  
News Paper Articles  
Bx 3 Fld 13  The Beautiful Spy Who Sold Korea [story of the activities and death of Kim Swim, a Korean spy]  
The Little Boy Who Could Not Smile [story on Korean children of war]  
I Saw this in Korea [American military activities]  
The Case of the Blind Pilot [war story]  
Give Me Tomorrow [war story]  
Mister Pack Takes Over [war story]  
Sergeant Kwon and His Shoeshine Boys [war story]  
The Tide Is In [war story]  
Map of Korea showing military activities of the Korean War  
Korean Literature

Bx 3 Fld 14 Korean Poems [collected by Theodora Wangerin]
Short Stories about Literary Personalities

Bx 4 Fld 1 The Literature of Korea [History of printing in Korea and the development of the Korean Language]
Divinely Inspired [Life experiences of Chin Wha, Kim Saing, Solgo, ancient Korean Artists]
Royalty Joins the Poets [Short story of Queen Sun, first queen of Korea, 623 A.D.]
A Child's First Poem [King Tai-jong and his son, Tai-Jong, 140AD]
King Chung Jong [Short bibliography with description of literary works]

Bx 4 Fld 2 Transactions of the Korean branch of the Royal Asiatic Society Vol.32 (1951), 33 (1957), 34 (1958)

IV. Japan

Culture
Bx 4 Fld 3 Tourist map of Japan
Cards depicting Japanese houses
Japanese currency and equivalents
2 booklets showing exchange rates
What That Slur [Brief articles on Japanese folk talk]
A Brief History of the Dai-Butsu, by Misuo Sats
News paper clippings on Japanese life and culture [from The Japan Journal, by Bobbie Jane Van Dolson]

Bx 4 Fld 4 Standard Kanji: An Easy Method to Learn Chinese-Japanese Characters [Language textbook]

V. Photographs
Bx 4 Fld 5 Photographs of Korean life [Album arranged by Theodora Wangerin]
Items removed from this Collections are as follows:

The Korean Collegian, vol. 1, no 1, Sep 1, 1965.
Korean News, vol. 1, no 1, (Dec 3, 1962) to vol. 1, no. 4 (Dec 1, 1965)
The Church Compass (3 copies issues from 1964 and 1970
The Signs of the Times (1 issue)
The Rambler’s Progress, (1968), 289 pages.
1 Korean title.

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