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Scope and Content

William G. White, 1947-2009, was an educator who earned a masters degree from Andrews University in history. He worked at Andrews Academy for a few years and later as a professor of educational leadership at a university in Louisiana.

One of White’s research interests was the issue of academic accreditation for Seventh-day Adventist colleges in North America in the years following World War I. There was controversy at that time within the denomination over whether “our” schools should strive for accreditation by state and regional accrediting agencies. Over time those supportive of the concept won. White’s research looks at this debate and those issues associated with it. He produced a book length manuscript which he submitted for publication by the Andrews University Press, but it was returned for more work. That work was not completed before his unexpected death.

This collection material White gathered for the writing of his manuscript on accreditation of Adventist colleges. The largest portion is correspondence of the General Conference Educational Department (Bx 2 Fld 1-19) related to this topic. Another part of the collection is the Andrews University Oral History Project where seventeen administrators were interviewed about accreditation by White and/or Maurice Hogdon in 1976 and 1977 (Bx 4 Fld 1-12).

In the first box is White’s manuscript for a book with about 500 pages. According to a letter from Ronald Knott (see correspondence Bx 1 Fld 7) the title of the manuscript is *New Times, New Measures, New Men: The Regional Accreditation of Seventh-day Adventist Liberal Arts Colleges, 1922-1945*. It has not been published. The section, “Correspondence,” comments on the manuscript and sheds more light on its background and why it has not been published (see especially letter from R. Knott and email from George Knight Bx 1 Fld 7).

Received at the Center along with the research materials were quite a quantity of books from William G. White’s Library. These books were largely general Seventh-day Adventist published works on a wide variety of topics. They would be typical of denominational books in the library of a well read individual. These books have not been retained in the collection or even listed due to their truly general nature. However, there were a number of books related to White’s research topic. These books have been retained in the Center and are listed in section VII of this Inventory under, “Items Removed.”
Arrangement

There was a total disorder within the four boxes that arrived at Andrews University. The unexpected death of Mr. White coupled with the fact that he had no close relatives made caring for his estate more difficult. The local Seventh-day Adventist pastor and his wife apparently did most of the work. Under the circumstances it could be possible that the one packing the boxes just put the folders in without paying attention to any order. During the processing a lot of rearrangement was necessary to put topics together in a logical sequence. The general arrangement of the collection is as follows:

- General
- Accrediting Organizations
- General Conference
- Seventh-day Adventist Colleges
- Andrews University Oral History Project
- Miscellaneous
- Items Removed

Letters are organized in chronological order and papers by author.

Provenance

William G. White donated this collection to the Andrews University Center for Adventist Research via provisions in his will carried out by the executor of his estate in mid 2009.

Use

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INVENTORY

I. General

Manuscript For a Book

- Bx 1 Fld 1  Chapter 1 (3 different versions, one with introduction).
- Bx 1 Fld 2  Chapter 2 (3 different versions).
- Bx 1 Fld 3  Chapters 3, 4, 5, 7.
- Bx 1 Fld 4  Chapters 7, 8, 9, 10.
- Bx 1 Fld 5  Chapter 8, 9, 10, 11 (conclusion).
- Bx 1 Fld 6  Appendices A-L (content of E is missing).
  Map of territories of the four accrediting associations in 1922.

Correspondence (In Chronological Order)

- Bx 1 Fld 7  Letter to Maurice Hogden (November 8, 1976).
  Message from the Office of the President, CUC (Nov. 24, 1976)
  Message from Laverne DeVaugh (February 23, 1977)
  Letter from Harold Schilling (March 28, 1977)
  Letter from E. B. Ogden (March 29, 1977).
  Letter from Charles Cook (June 10, 1988).
  4 letters from Fred Hoyt (1998, 1999), including a chapter of
    White’s manuscript.
  Email from George Knight (November 2006).

Papers and Articles Regarding Adventist Higher Education

Papers

- Bx 1 Fld 8  Conard, Claude. “Studies in School Administration” (SDA Schools, 1932).
- Bx 1 Fld 9  Harrower, Henry. “Statement Regarding Seventh Day Adventist Educational Policy” (1928).
Bx 1  Fld 10 Howell, Warren E.
       "The Educational Outlook."
       "Perils in Worldly Education" (1929).
       "Resorting to Ekron."
       3 more items.
Bx 1  Fld 11 McElhany, J. L.  Address - SDA Theological Seminary (1937).

Articles
Bx 1  Fld 12 Journal of Adventist Education
       George Knight. "A System in Search for Identity: Historical
       Perspectives on SDA Higher Education." Vol 48, No. 4,
       1986.
       Ministry (one article, 1937).
Bx 1  Fld 13 Review & Herald (47 articles from 1903-1942).
       Scope
       "Nursing Education reaches Milestone." 1990.
       Youth Instructor (one article 1932).

Papers and Articles Regarding Accreditation

Writings by William G. White
Bx 1  Fld 14 Adventist Heritage article:
       "Regional Accreditation for Adventist Colleges: Milestone or
       Mistake." Paper prepared for a workshop, 1979?
       Several drafts and notes.
       Correspondence to P. Landa, LLU, regarding the workshop.
       (July 1979)
Bx 1  Fld 15 Literature search (titles of dissertations mainly regarding
       Accreditation, but also regarding education).

Writings by Others
Bx 1  Fld 16 Callender, Lynn Ray. “Accreditation Recommendations and the
       Extent of Implementation in Selected Seventh-day Adventist
       10-22.
Bx 1  Fld 17 Collins, Jaqueline. “W. E. Howell.” A Report for the Course
       History of Seventh-day Adventist Education (AU), July 1981.
Bx 1  Fld 18 Dyresen, Dyre “The American System of Accrediting
       Educational Institutions and its Relationship to Parochial
       Schools, Especially Seventh-day Adventist Schools.” MA
       Thesis (SDA Theological Seminary Washington, D. C.), May
       1955.
II. Accrediting Organizations

General


Educational quality and accreditation (1 item).

General documents about accreditation (2 items).

North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools (NCA)

Bx 1  Fld 24 Standards for Accrediting Junior Colleges. 1920.


Form A. - To Be Filled out by all Schools. 1928.


Regulations of the Commission on Institutions of Higher Education. 1930-31.


Bx 1  Fld 26 Handwritten notes from NCA Quarterly.
Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools

Bx 1  Fld 27 The Commission on Secondary Schools. 1929.
     Form A. 1928?
     Form: General Report. 1928.
     Principles and Standards for Accrediting Colleges, no Date.
Bx 1  Fld 28 75-Year Review: Middle States Association, no Date.

III. General Conference

General

Statement and Petition to the NCA
Bx 1  Fld 29 Statement and Petition to The Commission on Institutions of Higher Education of The North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. 1931.
     Exhibit A: Principles in Education. 1931.
     Exhibit C: The Association of Seventh-day Adventist Colleges and Secondary Schools: Standards for Accrediting Schools of Nursing. 1931.
     Exhibit D: Two-Year Normal School. 1931.
     Exhibit J: List of Academies Accredited to The Association of Seventh-day Adventist Colleges and Secondary Schools. 1931-32.
Exhibit L: Summary of Subsides and capital Appropriations Paid to Three Typical Seventh-day Adventist Colleges During the Past Seven Years. 1931.

Exhibit M: Seventh-day Adventist Wage Scale. 1931.

Exhibit O: Computation of Colleges Endowment Equivalent and Outside Income. 1931.

General Conference Officers’ Meeting Minutes

   Bx 1  Fld 30 1931 (5 meetings).
          1932 (12 meetings).
          1933 (6 meetings).
       Fld 31 1934 (29 meetings).
       Fld 32 1935 (9 meetings).
          1936 (16 meetings).
       Fld 33 1937 (10 meetings).
          1938 (3 meetings).
       Fld 34 1939 (4 meetings).
          1941 (3 meetings).
          1942 (3 meetings).
          1943 (2 meetings).
          1944 (2 meetings).

General Conference Committee Minutes

   Bx 1  Fld 35 1891 (1 meeting).
          1893 (3 meetings).
          1906 (1 meeting).
          1907 (1 meeting).
          1908 (1 meeting).
          1909 (1 meeting).
          1910 (1 meeting).
          1911 (2 meetings).
          1912 (1 meeting).
   Bx 1  Fld 36 1919 (2 meetings).
          1920 (2 meetings).
          1921 (6 meetings).
   Bx 1  Fld 37 1922 (4 meetings).
          1923 (4 meetings plus Autumn Council).
          1924 (4 meetings).
   Bx 1  Fld 38 1925 (12 meetings plus Spring Meeting).
   Bx 1  Fld 39 1926 (4 meetings).
          1927 (2 meetings plus Autumn Council).
1928 (3 meetings plus Spring Meeting, Autumn Council and actions of the Autumn Council [incomplete]).

*Principles and Standards for Accrediting Colleges*, GC Minutes, 1928.

Bx 1 Fld 40 1929 (4 meetings plus Spring Meeting, Autumn Council and actions of the Autumn Council [incomplete].

Bx 1 Fld 41 1930 (4 meetings).
1931 (8 meetings plus Spring Meeting, Autumn Council and proceedings of the Fall Council [incomplete]).


Bx 1 Fld 42 1932 (11 meetings plus Spring Meeting and Autumn Council).
Bx 2 Fld 1 1933 (8 meetings plus Spring Meeting and Autumn Council).
Bx 2 Fld 2 1934 (8 meetings).
1935 (5 meetings plus Spring Meeting, Autumn Council).

Stenographic Report Verbatim.
Speech of Elder Branson delivered at the Fall Council.
Reports of the Educational Survey Commission, 1935.

Bx 2 Fld 3 1936 (5 meetings).
1937 (11 meetings).
1938 (7 meetings).
1939 (3 meetings).
1941 (3 meetings).
1943 (2 meetings).

**General Conference Department of Education**

Correspondence (letters, telegrams) and a few documents

Bx 2 Fld 4 1917 (1 item).
1918 (50 items).
Bx 2 Fld 5 1919 (3 items).
1920 (4 items).
1921 (33 items).
Bx 2 Fld 6 1922 (48 items).
Bx 2 Fld 7 1923 (15 items).
1924 (2 items).
Bx 2 Fld 8 1925 (34 items).
Bx 2 Fld 9 1926 (47 items).
1927 (3 items).
Bx 2 Fld 10 1928 (80 items plus 1 document).
Bx 2 Fld 11 1929 (58 items).
Bx 2 Fld 12 1930 (76 items).
Bx 2 Fld 13 1931, January - June (64 items).
Bx 2 Fld 14 1931, July - December (56 items).
Bx 2 Fld 15 1932, January - June (56 items).
Bx 2 Fld 16 1932, July - December (53 items).
Bx 2  Fld 17 1933, January - June (73 items).
Bx 2  Fld 18 1933, July - December (79 items).
Bx 2  Fld 19 1934, January - June (77 items).
Bx 2  Fld 20 1934, July - December (25 items).
Bx 2  Fld 21 1935, January - June (74 items).
Bx 2  Fld 22 1935, July - December (99 items).

Separation from the World: An Address by C. H. Watson at the Autumn Council, Louisville, Kentucky, October 29, 1935

Appeals to Leaders and Laity, Passed by the Council.

Bx 3  Fld 1 1936, January - June (40 items).
Bx 3  Fld 2 1936, July - December (33 items).
Bx 3  Fld 3 1937, January - June (47 items).
Bx 3  Fld 4 1937, July - December (41 items).
Bx 3  Fld 5 1938 (32 items).
Bx 3  Fld 6 1939 (29 items).
Bx 3  Fld 7 1940 (1 item).
  1941 (6 items).
  1942 (20 items).

Board of Regents

Bx 3  Fld 8 Bulletin, February, 1929 (incomplete).
Minutes, November, 1930 (2 pages).
Minutes, March, 1938 (3 pages).
Minutes, “Our Schools and State Requirements.”

Educational Conventions

Bx 3  Fld 9 Actions Passed at the World’s Educational Convention of Seventh-day Adventists: June 5-19, 1923 Colorado Springs, Colo, U.S.A.

Bx 3  Fld 10 Reports of the Blue Ridge Educational Convention August 17-25, 1937.

Educational Councils

Bx 3  Fld 11 Howell, W. E. “Purpose for Organizing Board of Regents and New Association.” Speech at Educational Council, College View, Nebraska, July 1929.

Bx 3  Fld 11 Tentative Agenda for Department of Education Pre-Council Meeting, October 1932.
Minutes of Department of Education Council Preceding the Autumn Council, October 1932.
Program of the Educational Council, San Francisco, California, 1936.
Handwritten notes from William White.
Miscellaneous

Bx 3  Fld 13 Enrollment statistics (3 items).
    Other statistics (6 items).

Smith, W. I. *Review of the Development of Seventh-day Adventist Colleges with some Observations on their Present Status*.

Bx 3  Fld 15 *Accrediting of Academies*. 1932.

One other document from the Educational Department.

IV. Seventh-day Adventist Colleges

General

Bx 3  Fld 16 *Recommendations from the Council of College Presidents*. Passed in July 1928.
    Minutes of meeting of Educational Commission, September 1931, (1 page).
    Constitution of the Association of Seventh-day Adventist Colleges and Secondary Schools (2 versions).

Information Blank: Form E-1 of the Association of Seventh-day Adventist Colleges and Secondary Schools.
Microfilm index of college bulletins.
Specific Institutions

Atlantic Union College
   Bx 3  Fld 17 Minutes of Board and Faculty, 1930-1946 (45 items).
   Bx 3  Fld 18 Reports (6 items).
   Campus Tour.
   New England Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools
   Information Blank filled out by AUC (3 items, 1933, 1938,
   1939).
   “A.U.C Becomes Member of New England Association,” in The
   Lancastrian, Atlantic Union College, December 19, 1945 (2
   times).
   Lists of board, officers, administration and faculty from 1941-45.

College of Medical Evangelists
   Bx 3  Fld 19 Minutes of Board of Trustees, 1926-1931 (11 items).
   Minutes of the Constituency College of Medical Evangelists,
   1932-1938 (5 items).
   Bx 3  Fld 20 Minutes of Joint Faculty, 1921-1939 (19 items).
   Bx 3  Fld 21 Percy Magan Diaries. Entries from 1903-1935 (9 items).
   Bx 3  Fld 22 American Medical Society. Report of the Council on Medical
   Education of the American Medical Society, April 26, 1920.
   American Medical Society. Approved Colleges of Arts and
   Sciences and Junior Colleges, 1929, 1932 and 1934 (3
   items).
   American Medical Society. Inspection of the College of Medical
   Evangelists, March 12, 13, 15, 1936.
   Student statistics (3 items).
   “A Grade ‘A’ Medical School: Should We Have Become
   Accredited?” Mainly about important dates in development
   of accreditation in the SDA educational system.
   Neff, Merlin. Research notes for his book about CME (24
   pages).
   Substance of Replies from S. D. A. Colleges to Questionnaire
   on Premedical Admission Requirements.

Emmanuel Missionary College
   Bx 3  Fld 23 NCA Reports, 1922-1930 (13 items).
   Bx 3  Fld 24 NCA Reports, 1932-1935 (7 items).
   Bx 3  Fld 25 NCA Reports, 1935-1937 (6 items).
   Bx 3  Fld 26 NCA Reports, 1938-1939 (2 item).
   Bx 3  Fld 27 Minutes of Board Meetings, 1918- 1938 (80 items)
   Bx 3  Fld 28 Minutes of Faculty Meetings, 1918-1922 and 1935- 1939 (43
   items).
Bx 3  Fld 29 Reports:
Annual report for the board of trustees of EMC 1933-1934
Report to president Steen following visit to EMC on July, 1934.
President’s annual report 1937-1938 (1 page).
President’s annual report 1937-1938.

Bx 3  Fld 30 Broadview College (8 items).

Bx 3  Fld 31 Miscellaneous:
Revised Standards for Accrediting High Schools. University of Michigan, Effective on September 1922.
Standards for Accrediting Institutions of Higher Education: Colleges and Universities (In use Prior to 1934).
Observations of the Situation at E. M. C. (1937).
Lake Union Conference Session (1937).
Other documents (7).

Pacific Union College
Bx 3  Fld 32 Minutes of board of trustees, 1926-1933 (50 items).
Bx 3  Fld 33 Correspondence, 1932-1933 (11 letters and telegrams).
Pacific Union Recorder. 1931-1932 (3 items).
The Campus Chronicle. 1933 (2 items).
Student statistics, 1931 (1 item).
Handwritten notes (3 pages).

Union College
Bx 4  Fld 1 Minutes of Board of Trustees, 1921-1936 (50 items).
Bx 4  Fld 2 Minutes of Faculty, 1922-1937 (61 items).
Reene, H. S. Extracts from Faculty Minutes Dealing with Discussions of Educational Topics, Union College, 1932-34.
Bx 4  Fld 3 Report of The Survey of Union College: Lincoln, Nebraska, 1934.
Bx 4  Fld 4 An Appeal to the Executive Committee of the General Conference by the Board of Trustees of Union College: Lincoln, Nebr, 1936 (3 times).
Results of faculty study during the accreditation struggle, 1936.
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A Brief History of Certain Denominational History not before Recorded: M. L. Andreasen (9 pages).

Bx 4  Fld 5  Notes on an Interview with Union College Representatives, December 9, 1935.
Glenn Hilts Interview: Dec 29, 1959.
Interview with M. L. Andreasen: December 31, 1959 By Everett Dick.
Interview with M. L. Andreasen - Enroute from Los Angeles to Loma Linda Dec. 24, 1959 Riding in an Auto with him and Tom Little.
Notes on the Accreditation of Union College by the North Central Association: December 3, 1967 by Everett Dick.
Interview with Dr. Reed.
Miscellaneous (2 items).

Washington Missionary College
Bx 4  Fld 6  Minutes of Faculty, 1933-1942 (29 items).
Bx 4  Fld 7  Documents: Mainly about Middle States Association, articles, Reports, minutes and letters (30 items).
Bx 4  Fld 8  SDA Theological Seminary (9 items).

Walla Walla College
Bx 4  Fld 9  Minutes of Board of Trustees Meetings, 1920-1935 (54 items).
Bx 4  Fld 10  Minutes of Faculty Meetings, 1925-1935 (7 items).
Report on Walla Walla by the University of Washington: Committee on Relations with Secondary Schools and Colleges, April 22, 1931.
The Collegian (4 incomplete issues, 1932 and 1935).
Handwritten notes (7 pages).

V. Andrews University Oral History Project

Bx 4  Fld 11  Anderson, Godfrey T. (Accreditation of Atlantic Union College).
Bx 4  Fld 12  Bowers, George W. (2 items).
Bx 4  Fld 13  Brumbaugh, A. J. (2 copies).
Bx 4  Fld 14  Chen, Philip S. Dick, Everett N. (2 copies, emphasis on Union College).
Bx 4  Fld 15  Hilts, D. Glenn (Accreditation of Union College).
Hubbs, R. L.
Landeen, William M. (Walla Walla College).
Bx 4 Fld 16 Leffler, Emil.
Bx 4 Fld 17 Reynolds, Keld J. (2 exemplars).
Bx 4 Fld 18 Rittenhouse, Floyd O.
Bx 4 Fld 19 Ruhlkoetter, A. H. (Emphasis on Union College).
    Steen, Thomas W. (Emphasis on Emmanuel Missionary College).
Bx 4 Fld 20 Tymeson, Sydney W.
Bx 4 Fld 21 Walter, Edwin C.
    Welch, L. W.
Bx 4 Fld 22 Wolfkill, Guy F.

VI. Miscellaneous

Bx 4 Fld 23 Harvard Reference System (8 items).
Bx 4 Fld 24 Photographs (2 items).
    Pictures (10 items).
    Perpetual Calendar
Bx 4 Fld 25 Handwritten notes 1 (Original name of Folder was “Fa’OU 97,”
    which contained GC Committee Minutes from the years 1921,
    1922 and 1925).
Bx 4 Fld 26 Handwritten notes 2 (Original name of Folder could have been
    “Missing Pages”).
Bx 4 Fld 27 The following three items were originally in a folder named:
    “Fred Hoyt reviews,” which also contained four Hoyt letters and
    a chapter of White’s manuscript, now part of Bx 1 Fld 7:
    Harrower, Henry R. *Practical Organotherapy: The Internal
    Secretions in General Practice*. Glendale, CA, 1920.
    Incomplete.
    Harrower, Henry R. *Three Lectures on Endocrinology in Everyday
    Incomplete.
    Incomplete.
Bx 4 Fld 28 Dissertation titles (Original name of this folder was “Dissertations -
    SDA Topics.” It mainly shows dissertation titles that deal with
    SDA history, SDA mission, SDAs and accreditation as well as
    accreditation in general).
Bx 4 Fld 29 Documents 1 (Original name of this folder was “Misc Documents.”):
    Statistical information (3 items).
    *Research Sources on the History of Medicine.*
    *Statement Regarding Attendance at Universities*, 1931.
    Babcock, Kendric Charles, *A Classification of Universities and
    Colleges with Reference to Bachelor”s Degrees*. Washington:
Register of Candidates having passed their final examination from the Royal College of Physicians, Edinburgh, 1931.

Others (5 items).

Bx 4  Fl 30 Documents 2 (Original name of this folder was “Incomplete / To Do.”)
Many handwritten notes
Letter from Percy Magan to Frederick Griggs, January 2, 1928 (copy).
Research Proposal.
Two pages listing sources regarding the accreditation.
Six pages from different Review & Herald articles and one other magazine.

VII. Items Removed [Publications related to accreditation; placed in the Center for Adventist Research book collection]


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