

**Register of the**

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### **Biography**

Allen Leslie Ham was born on October 13, 1889 near Minneapolis MN. He briefly studied engineering at Walla Walla College before going on to Pacific Union College, College of Medical Evangelists, and then the Foreign Mission Academy (now Washington Adventist University). He went to China in 1913, becoming the Director of the Cantonese Mission Field from 1914 to 1934, and the Superintendent of the South China Union Mission from 1935 to 1942.

When Hong Kong fell to the Japanese in 1941, Ham was taken as a prisoner of war until the summer of 1942, when he was repatriated. He immediately went back to church service as President of the Southern Asia Division, serving for eight years (1942 to 1950). His final post was as a General Conference General Field Secretary and Vice President of the General Conference, serving for another eight years (1950 to 1958), after which he retired.

Ham married Nina Feran Wilcox on December 23, 1912. Together they had three children, Lyle and Beatrice, born in Hong Kong, and Doris, born in Canton China.

### **Scope and Context**

This collection contains A. L. Ham's personal appointment books for most of the years from 1946 to his retirement. These may be interesting to show a General Conference leader's schedule. There are also some sermons. Perhaps the most significant contribution are the many photographs of Seventh-day Adventist work primarily in India but also some from Africa during the 1940s and 1950s.

### **Arrangement**

The majority of Ham's collections are sermons contained in envelopes and notebooks. Also notable are picture slides of Africa and photographs of India located in the second half of this collection.

### **Provenance**

### **Extent**

3 Hollinger boxes [1.2 linear feet].

## **Use**

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## Allen L. Ham Papers Collection 044

### I. Personal

#### Appointment Calendars

Box 1 Folder 1	1946, 1948 to 1950
Box 1 Folder 2	1951 to 1954
Box 1 Folder 3	1955 to 1958
Box 1 Folder 4	1959 to 1960

### II. Sermons

Box 1 Folder 5	Titles, A to G All Things Are Yours Arise, Shine Baptism Be Ye Perfect The Challenge of a Great Cause Christmas Detractors The Enemy Has Landed Followers of the Master The Glory of the Cross The Glory of the Cross (rev. 1963)
Box 1 Folder 6	Titles, H to R Handwriting on the Wall Holy Spirit No Failure of a Mission Perfection and Sanctification Prepare to Meet Thy God Prepare to Meet Thy God (rev. 1963) Prophetic Guidance The Quest for Power Remember Lot's Wife Revelation of the Father Rewards Hundred Fold Rewards of Sacrifice and Service

Box 1 Folder 7	Titles, S to W Shaking Time Since the Fathers Fell Asleep So Little Time Spiritism Supreme Leadership Devotion Thine Be the Glory What Manner of Persons (1963) What Manner of Persons (1966) Wonders of Tomorrow
Box 1 Folder 8	Notebook 1: Notes and sermon outlines
Box 2 Folder 1	Notebook 2: Sermon outlines
Box 2 Folder 2	Notebook 3: Sermons for specific church services
Box 2 Folder 3	Notebook 4: Notes and sermon outlines
Box 2 Folder 4	Notebook 5: Sermon outlines, poems, songs, quotations
Box 2 Folder 5	Notebook 6: Sermon outlines
Box 3 Folder 1	Notebook 7: Sermon outlines
Box 3 Folder 2	Notebook 8: Sermons outlines, illustrations, etc.
Box 3 Folder 3	Notebook 9: Sermon outlines
Box 3 Folder 4	Loose papers: Sermons, song lyrics, illustrations

### III. Photographs

#### Picture Slides of Africa

##### Box 3 Folder 5

##### Sheet 1

Church in Cape Town  
Maluti Hospital, Africa  
Nurse at Maluti Hospital  
East Africa Union Conference  
East Africa Union Conference  
Site of new Division Headquarters, Salisbury  
Church at Salisbury  
Evangelists and teachers and wives, Uganda  
Kampala Church  
Kendu Hospital New Wing  
Kendu Mission Hospital  
Kendu Hospital home of nurses  
Kendu Hospital house  
Kenya Lake Mission

Gendia Mission Home  
Kamagambo school  
Workers House Kamagambo  
Kamagambo school  
Kamagambo school  
Bulawayo church

Sheet 2

Elder Anderson's School  
Church Elizabethville  
Division Office and church, S.A.  
Helderberg College  
Helderberg College  
Helderberg College  
Dining hall, Heldeberg College  
Helderberg College  
Blum (?) Union Headquarters  
Maluti  
Maluti Hospital  
Maluti Hospital  
Sedaven  
Sedaven school  
SDA Church Pretoria  
Church Bulawayo  
Solusi School  
Principal's Residence (Solusi)  
Congo Union  
Congo Union Com.

Sheet 3

East Africa Union Home  
East Africa Union Com.  
Press - Uganda  
Hospital Lake Victoria  
Staples family

Photographs of India

Box 3 Folder 6

Assam Training School  
Assam Training School, Jowai  
Assam Training School, Jowai  
Adventist Training School  
Staff, 1945  
Girls at ATS ready to walk 20 miles for annual  
meeting

Chapel exercise, ATS, March 8, 1945  
Student converts, ATS, 1945  
Students and teachers invested at ATS, 1946, with M.  
V. Broderson, advisor for ATS Society  
N.E. Elementary Teachers Institute at ATS, 1946

Box 3 Folder 7

Meiktila

Principal's bungalow, Meiktila  
Meiktila girls dorm bungalow  
Administrative building, Meiktila  
Section of Administrative building, Meiktila  
Meiktila printshop  
Ruins of Meiktila, where once stood the printing  
press, Baldwin College, and water tank

Box 3 Folder 8

Narsapur High School

Narsapur High School  
Staff, Narsapur High School

Box 3 Folder 9

RM Training School

Boys working new planer, RM Training School  
Print shop, RM Training School  
School boy plowing, RM Training School

Box 3 Folder 10

Robinson Memorial High School

Staff, Robinson Memorial High School, Karmatar  
R. N. Dass, Principal, Robinson Memorial High  
School, Karmatar  
Karmatar students with Pastor Mookerjee and  
Chaurpian(?) and wives  
High school students at Karmatar working in garden  
Lace industry, Karmatar High School

Box 3 Folder 11

Roorkee Training School

Staff and students, Roorkee Training School  
Teacher-Evangelist group, Roorkee  
Girl students at Roorkee  
Seventh-day Adventist Mission Farm, Roorkee  
Student farming work, Mission Farm, Roorkee  
Boys' carpentry class, Roorkee

Box 3 Folder 12

Salisbury Park Church School  
Salisbury Park church school group  
Salisbury Park church school group  
A. M. Job, Salisbury Park principal, and family

Box 3 Folder 13

Spicer Missionary College (SMC)  
Spicer Missionary College staff, 1946  
N. O. Matthews, SMC principal, and wife  
O. S. Matthews, SMC registrar, and family  
R. F. Juriansz, SMC accountant, and family  
C. N. John, SMC preceptor, and family  
Pastor G. Isaiah, SMC Bible instructor, and family (2  
copies)  
S. S. Pandit, SMC teacher, and family  
K. S. Charles, SMC farm assistant, and family  
Librarians, SMC  
Mrs. B. Lowry with group of girls, SMC  
Students baptized SMC, 1946  
SMC graduates, 1946  
SMC graduates, 1946  
Girls at SMC

Box 3 Folder 14

Union High School  
Portion of Union High School garden

Box 3 Folder 15

Vincent Hill School and College (VHC)  
Vincent Hill School and College  
Vincent Hill College  
The staff, VHC  
The choir, VHC  
Girls' Gym, VHC  
Baptized students at VHC, 1949  
Boys' Dormitory, VHC  
The Hospital, VHC  
The Bakery, VHC  
Girls' Dormitory, VHC

Box 3 Folder 16

Other academic  
Incomplete group of students  
Students writing examinations  
Indian student group



Box 3 Folder 17

Evangelism

Voice of Prophecy advertising on a bull  
The Big Tent, Roorkee, Elder Ochs preaching  
Lay preaching, Narasapan  
Evangelistic effort, Trichinopoly  
One village where a meeting was held  
Lepcha VOP student and family with Bro Albert, VOP  
Secretary for Himalayan area  
Brother Rick baptizing in Assam  
Group baptized in village near Karmatar  
Place where ten were baptized in Aijal, Lushai Hills  
First caste family baptized in Zeluger Field, 1945  
Lallian Zuala Sailoo, first convert from the Lushai  
Zuala and his brother, the village chief in Aijal, Lushai  
hills  
Five candidates baptized at Singhabahal, Orissa  
Second baptism at Orissa Field  
Sgt. Don Jacobson, baptized March 3, 1945, became  
a Seventh-day Adventist in the Army  
Baptism November 1945  
First family baptized from the Metch tribe at Satali, at  
the foot of the Bhutan hills  
Village work  
Picture by a missionary at village of Khasi hills  
Branch Sabbath School near Nuzvid among Hindus.  
Two were baptized in 1946  
Branch Sabbath School, Ranchi  
Village school conducted by evangelist among caste  
people near Nuzvid, with children and parents  
Village school near Narsapur  
Village school in East Bengal  
Tracts and Bible portions distributed at the Puri  
Jagaruath Car Mela, Puri, Orissa, July 11,  
1945, estimated over 70,000 pilgrims present

Box 3 Folder 18

Medical work

Hospital under construction at Karachi, May 8, 1950  
Residence, Karachi Hospital, May 8, 1950  
Rear of residence under construction, Karachi  
Hospital, February 26, 1950  
Surat Mission Hospital  
Nuzvid Hospital Staff  
Hospital staff on the opening day

Nursing trainees, Nuzvid  
Medical camp at Laraduri(?)  
Gopalganj Dispensary, East Bengal  
S. N. Arinda, dispensary worker, Gopalganj, East  
Bengal Dispensary, Meiktila  
Dispensary, Jalirpar  
R. N. Sircar, dispensary worker, Jalirpar  
Group in front of new block (Lab and X-Ray Room),

Box 3 Folder 19

Publishing work

Oriental Watchman Publishing House group, 1946 (2  
copies)  
C. N. Abraham, OWPH Factory Superintendent, and  
family  
J. S. Dason, Tamil Signs editor; G.C. Sircar,  
publishing house accountant; S.J. Louis,  
publishing house bookkeeper  
First publishing house, Karmatar  
Karmatar Press  
P. N. Haldar, Printshop Manager, Karmatar

Box 3 Folder 20

Church life

The first Lushai Adventist church at Zokhawsang  
village, January 25, 1948  
Sabbath keepers of Zokhawsang who built their  
church, January 25, 194  
Adherents who are building their own church at  
Lungleng village, March 16, 1948  
Three men who built the second church with their own  
expenses, leaders at Khawchhete village,  
march 16, 1948  
Second Lushai Adventist Church built by adherents of  
Khawchhete village, March 16, 1948  
Lushai Seventh-day Adventist Church  
Sabbath School at Woodpet, Bezwada  
Junior Sabbath School, Poona  
Flag raising at the Junior Camp  
Camp meeting at Roorkee (2 different pictures)  
Girls cooking at Bihar M. V. Camp, 1949  
Storytelling at the M. V. Camp  
Colporteurs and workers attending the Hindi  
Magazine Institute at Karmatar  
Location of one regional meeting in Bihar  
Delegates bring their rice and curry at Gopalganj,  
March 19, 1947

Box 3 Folder 21

Church leaders and workers

Division Staff, 1946

Northwest Union Committee, 1946

S. N. Dass, West Bengal Mission Secretary-  
Treasurer, and family

R. S. Fernando, Ceylon Mission Secretary-Treasurer,  
and family

C. A. Hart, Assistant Division Secretary-Treasurer,  
and family (2 different photos)

S. James, Office Secretary of Division Treasury, and  
wife (2 copies)

Pastor P. D. Kujur, Bihar Mission Superintendent, and  
family

I. K. Moses, Western India Union Secretary-  
Treasurer, and family

Pastor B. Nowrangi, Munda Field in the Bihar  
Mission, and family

E. D. Thomas, Division Secretary, Home Mission &  
Sabbath School Department, and wife

V. Raju, Western India Office Secretary and  
Bookkeeper, and family

M. S. Prasada Rao, Assistant Division Auditor, and  
family

W. L. Sharalaya, Accountant at Division Treasury,  
and family

Mrs. Po Shwe, wife of leading worker (2 copies)

Box 3 Folder 22

People

Memories from Calcutta 1941, from the Stans to the  
Hams

The Colletts at Washington Missionary College

The Lilutan groups

Two young boys from the Mitch tribe

Thra Tha Myaing and Thra Paul

Miss Gloria Thomas

Miss Khan with teacher evangelist trainees

Poona Dorcas Society group

Going to the opening ceremony

Box 3 Folder 23

Places

Street scene - damaged buildings, Rangoon  
Street scene, Rangoon  
Rock Fort, Trichinopoly, South India  
Scene (Shwe Yan bin?) of church and teachers'  
cottages  
Graves of pioneers at Karmatar  
Car and road to Aijul  
Mission building Chuadanga

Box 3 Folder 24

Other

Boys threshing rice at Karmatar  
Boys drawing water for irrigation at Karmatar  
Jute ready for the market  
Second load of jute  
One of Howard's boxes being unloaded  
Cokins and some of Lange's things loaded to be  
taken to Karmatar

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