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Emanuel W. Pedersen Collection

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Emanuel W. Pedersen Collection  
(Collection 263)

Scope and Content

Emanuel Warthou Pedersen (1904 to 2006) was born in Odense, Denmark, on May 28, 1904, the same town that Hans Christian Andersen was born. Friends and family say he had a real way about him that made him a very good salesman. Emanuel Pedersen, when quite young, became an excellent literature evangelist, especially in the summer months between the studies at the mission school in Nærum. After school he held a number of different positions such as teacher, preacher, missionary (East Africa, Middle East, and Europe), administrator (including President of the Afro-Mideast Division and General Conference General Field Secretary), and evangelist. He never held a job outside of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Emanuel traveled together with his wife, Esther, in 1937 to Uganda as a missionary. After extensive negotiations with Uganda’s Minister of Education the school that was to become Bugema University became a lasting reality. In the years 1943-1953 they worked in Kenya.

Emanuel worked within the church structure for 40 plus years and was on sustentation (retirement) for 30 plus years. Though he was retired he did not sit at home doing nothing. He was an advisor to the General Conference President, and in 1971 he traveled to Iran as a guest for the 2,500 year anniversary of the founding of the Persian Empire by Cyrus the Great.

This collection contains Pedersen’s writings, sermons, correspondences, photographs, motion picture films and other topical files he collected throughout his 70-plus years service to the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Arrangement

The arrangement of the collection is largely the way Pedersen (or his family) had it when donated. Some minor changes were made during processing to make the arrangement more logical and easier to use.

Provenance

Kirsten Hills and Glenn Pedersen, the children of Emanuel W. Pedersen, donated this collection to the Center for Adventist Research on April 17, 2007.

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All users of this collection will complete the “Application to Use Unpublished Records,” and observe the regulation specified in the “Patron’s Agreement” and “Researcher’s Code of Conduct.”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

Bx 1 Fld 1  The donation of Emanuel W. Pedersen Collection includes
A letter from Kirsten Hills and Glenn Pedersen, the children
of Emanuel W. Pedersen to Merlin Burt, Director of
the Center for Adventist Research regarding the
donation.

Brochure for the “Open House and Reception in Honor of
the Donation of Papers and Materials of Emanuel
Pedersen.”

“Seminary Family in Worship,” a bulletin prepared for the
Presentation of the Emanuel W. Pedersen Papers to
the Center for Adventist Research.

I. Personal Documents

Biographical Information

Bx 1 Fld 2  “Elder E. W. Pedersen Chosen as New President of the
Autobiography: Pedersen’s early canvassing experience, no
date.

Bx 1 Fld 3  Memos of Emanuel W. Pedersen, no date.

Correspondence:  The folders are arranged as Pedersen had them whenever
possible. New folders are added by CAR for the
unsorted letters.

Bx 1 Fld 4  Letters with People in East Africa Division: 1920 to 2005.

Bx 1 Fld 5  Letters with Danish Pastors: 1937 to 2001.

Bx 1 Fld 6  Private Letters: 1937 to 2002.


Bx 1 Fld 8  Letters with Various People: 1941 to 2006.

Bx 1 Fld 9  Letters with Various General Conference Leaders: 1947 to
1990.
Bx 1 Fld 10  Letters with the Toppenbergs: 1950 to 1955.

Bx 2 Fld 1  Letters with People in Ethiopia: 1952 to 2002.

Bx 2 Fld 2  Letters with People in the Trans-European Division: 1953 to 1970.

Bx 2 Fld 3  Letters with People in Denmark and Norway: 1953 to 2001.

Bx 2 Fld 4  Letters about Various Issues in Denmark: 1960 to 1996.

Bx 2 Fld 5  Letters regarding the Pedersens’ Immigration and Naturalization to the United States: 1962 to 1996.

Bx 2 Fld 6  Letters with People in the Australian Division: 1966 to 1969.


Bx 3 Fld 3  Letters about the sale of the Nutana firms, the West Nordic Union, Denmark: 1990 to 1992, including minutes and articles about the Nutana firms.


Bx 3 Fld 6  Letters about the Case of Mike Pionkowski, pastor of the Tokoma Park Church: 1994 to 1997.

Bx 3 Fld 7  Letters about Emanuel W. Pedersen’s Sustentation Issues: 2005 to 2006.

II.  Writings

Articles by Emanuel W. Pedersen

Bx 3 Fld 8  Ten Articles published on the Review and Herald, Northern Light and the Afro-Mideast Division Impact, in English and Danish.

Bx 3 Fld 9  Editorials

Bx 3 Fld 10 Unfinished article draft and its raw materials.

Articles by Others

Bx 3 Fld 11  Six Danish Articles

Books

Bx 3 Fld 12  Var det umagen vaerd?: Danske syvende dags adventister i fremmedmissionen by Redigeret af, Borge Schantz and Hans Jorgen Schantz (Naerum: Dansk Bogforlag, 1999). Chapter 2 has one article about Emanuel W. Pedersen by Borge Schantz.

Bx 3 Fld 13  An Appeal for the Establishment of A World Monotheism Centre in the Name of His Imperial Majesty the Shahinshah Aria-Mehr of Iran by Mohammad Maz-Hari, [1972].

Magazines

Bx 3 Fld 14  Impact published by the Afro-Mideast Division, June-August 1975, vol. 5, No. 6-8.

Manuscripts by Pedersen

Bx 4 Fld 1  Manuscripts in English includes . . .

“In the Floodlight of Golden Opportunities,” Jan 2, 1960.
Address at the Nursing School, Jun 1974
“Afro-Mideast Division General Conference Session, July 14, 1975, Vienna President’s Report.”
“President’s Report Afro-Mideast Division, Annual Meeting, Loma Linda University, October 12th, 1974.
“Encounter with Race & Racism”
Two Address about Ingathering
“Leaders and Leadership”
“Let There Be Light”
“Laymen on the March: Fervent in Spirit: Serving the Lord”
Northern European Division Report for “GO”
Address about Welfare Ministry
“Lay Preaching: A Challenge to the Remnant Church”
“Requested: Lay Evangelistic Expression”
“Greater Favours for the Privileged”
“From the Editor’s Desk . . . “
"A Golden Anniversary—A Golden Opportunity”
“The Challenge of the Valley of Decision”
“This Is God’s Test of Our Character”
“When Thou Hearest the Sound of A Going . . . “
"Popularity and Progress"
“Fifty”
“If Only You Knew”
A Review of J. W. Provonsha’s Paper “Toward An Ethic of Responsibility”
“Stewardship”
An Address about Impact
An Article for Northern Light
“God’s House” Revisited
Manuscripts by Others


Newspaper Clippings


Pamphlets

Why Not Talk to God about Life after Death? by Erling Calkins, no publisher, no date.

Bx 4 Fld 6  Letters to the Churches by M. L. Andreasen,
Series A, No. 1: The Incarnation: Was Christ Exempt?
Series A, No. 2: Attempted Tampering.
Series A, No. 3: Downgrading Mrs. White.
Series A, No. 4: A Resume.
Series A, No. 6: The Atonement.


Sermons:  Mostly type written sermon outlines. The grouping of the sermons follows Pedersen’s own arrangement wherever possible, unclassified sermons by Pedersen are arranged by CAR topically.
Bx 4 Fld 8  Camp Meetings
Bx 4 Fld 9  Chapel Talks
Bx 4 Fld 10  Church
Bx 4 Fld 11  Church Officers’ Meeting
Bx 4 Fld 12  Consecration
Bx 4 Fld 13  Easter
Bx 4 Fld 14  Faith
Bx 4 Fld 16  Graduation Addresses
Bx 4 Fld 17  Holy Spirit
Bx 4 Fld 18  Ingathering
Bx 4 Fld 19  Jesus Christ
Bx 4 Fld 20  Last Day Deception
Bx 5 Fld 1  Lay Activities
Bx 5 Fld 2  Laymen
Bx 5 Fld 3  Lay Evangelism
Bx 5 Fld 4  Lord’s Supper
Bx 5 Fld 5  Mission Talks
Bx 5 Fld 6  Ordination
Bx 5 Fld 7  Pastoral Training
Bx 5 Fld 8  Prayer
Bx 5 Fld 9  Poetry
Bx 5 Fld 10  Promise of God
Bx 5 Fld 11  Quotes
Bx 5 Fld 12  Sabbath School
Bx 5 Fld 13  Sermon Illustrations
Bx 5 Fld 14  Sermon Notes
Bx 5 Fld 15  Sin and Salvation
Bx 6 Fld 1   Spiritual Life
Bx 6 Fld 2   Stewardship
Bx 6 Fld 3   The Spiritual Response to the Present Crisis Series
Bx 6 Fld 4   Temperance
Bx 6 Fld 5   Tension
Bx 6 Fld 6   Tithe
Bx 6 Fld 7   Truth
Bx 6 Fld 8   Unsorted Danish Sermons and Materials
Bx 6 Fld 10  Weddings
Bx 6 Fld 11  Welfare Ministry
Bx 6 Fld 12  Workers’ Meetings
Bx 6 Fld 13  Workers’ Retreats
Bx 6 Fld 14  Wisdom
Bx 6 Fld 15  Youth

III.   Topical Files

Bx 6 Fld 16  Addis Ababa Hospital Case
Bx 6 Fld 17  Albert Koppel, a medical doctor from LLU who wrote
Truth Decay calling for integrity especially for Adventist church leaders.

Bx 7 Fld 1 Cuba Visit–A Report
Bx 7 Fld 2 Davenport Affair
Bx 7 Fld 3 Desmond Ford
Bx 7 Fld 4 East Africa
Bx 8 Fld 1 E. G. White–Modernizing
Bx 8 Fld 2 Experiences of People
Bx 8 Fld 3 Ezekiel Kimenja Case
Bx 8 Fld 4 French-Spanish War (Danish)
Bx 8 Fld 5 Funerals
Bx 8 Fld 6 Government Grant
Bx 8 Fld 7 Inter-America
Bx 8 Fld 8 Iran Festival: the Celebration of the 2500th Anniversary of the Establishment of the Persian Empire.
Bx 8 Fld 9 Lutheran and Adventist Conversation
Bx 8 Fld 10 Moslem
Bx 8 Fld 11 Perfection
Bx 9 Fld 1 Peter Janes Case
Bx 9 Fld 2 Robert Folkenberg Case
Bx 9 Fld 3 Sabbath
Bx 9 Fld 4 Sanctuary
Bx 9 Fld 5 Supernatural Occurrences
Bx 9 Fld 6 Sustentation Rates
Bx 9 Fld 7 Women’s Ordination
IV. Photographs

Bx 9 Fld 8 Photographs taken mostly with European and North American church leaders. Recognizable dates: 1927 to 1967. 27 pieces.

Bx 10 Fld 1 Photographs taken in Africa with the local people. Recognizable dates 1937 to 1994. About 192 pieces.

Bx 10 Fld 2 Box 1: 11 rolls of negatives.

V. Slides

Bx 11 Fld 1 Box 1-5: General Conference Session, no date. About 200 pieces.

Bx 11 Fld 2 Box 6: Berlin
Box 7: Istanbul
Box 8: Israel
Box 9: Egypt
Box 10: Australia, Polynesian Show, Cuba.
Box 11: Norway

Bx 11 Fld 3 Unsorted slides
Box 12-16.

VI. Motion Picture Films

Bx 12 Fld 1 Bx 1-4: Africa
Box 5: Kilimanjaro
Box 6: Nawasho?

Bx 12 Fld 2 Bx 7: Grand Canyon
Box 8: Odder, Dyrehaven, 1953
Box 9: Obed
Box 10: Peder Canada?
Box 11: Peder-England?
Box 12: Mogadishu-Venedig?

Bx 12 Fld 3 Bx 13-24: Films taken when Emanuel W. Pedersen was in Nairobi, Kenya.
VII. Tapes

Bx 12 Fld 3  Bx 25: Emanuel W. Pedersen’s talk, 1980.

VIII. Miscellaneous

Box 12 Fld 4 Board minutes, bulletins, program sheets, post cards, Emanuel W. Pedersen’s business card, etc.

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