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Summary information

Repository: Dalhousie University Archives

Title: A.J. William Myers fonds

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Administrative history / Biographical sketch

Note

Alexander John William Myers was a Presbyterian minister, educator and writer. He was born in Lake Verde, Prince Edward Island, on 17 December 1877 to Margaret Sarah (Moore) and Charles Myers. He received his early education at West Kent School before earning a teaching diploma from Prince of Wales College in 1989. He taught school in Flat River before coming to Dalhousie University, where he obtained a BA in 1902, also studying divinity at Pine Hill College, Halifax, and Knox College, Toronto. In 1912 he was granted a PhD from Columbia University.

Myers wrote primarily on the subject of religious education. From 1912-1917 he was Educational Secretary of the Board of Sabbath Schools and Young People's Societies of the Presbyterian Church in Canada. He was subsequently appointed head of the Department of Religious Education at the Hartford Seminary Foundation in Connecticut, where he stayed until 1942, when he returned to Canada to take up church ministry in Belleville, Scarborough, and Toronto, Ontario. He retired in 1947.

In 1912 Myers married his first wife, Mae Ethel Dickenson; she died in 1948. In 1952 Myers married fellow islander Helen Penelope Ramsay. He died 2 December 1975.

Custodial history

Records were donated in 1981 by Clayton J. Myers.

Scope and content

Fonds comprises records documenting Alexander Myers' work as a pastor and writing on the subject of religious education. Record types include diaries; correspondence; manuscripts; published works; research files and class notes; scrapbooks; and photographs.

Notes

Title notes

Restrictions on access

There are no access restrictions on these materials. All materials are open for research.

Conditions governing use

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Related material

See also the records of the Rev. John Morton and family at the Presbyterian Church in Canada Archives for correspondence between Morton and Myers.

Accruals

No further accruals are expected.

Other notes

• **Publication status**: Published

Access points

- Dalhousie University (subject)
- Graphic material (documentary form)
- Textual record (documentary form)
- Correspondence (documentary form)
- Diaries (documentary form)
- Photographs (documentary form)
- Albums (documentary form)

- Personal archives (subject)
- Religion (subject)
- Research notes (subject)
- Sermons (subject)
- Connecticut (place)
- Toronto (Ont.) (place)

Collection holdings