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Summary Information

Repository: Congregational Library & Archives

Creator: American Home Missionary Society

Creator: Congregational Home Missionary Society

Creator: Allingham, Robert

Creator: Barnes, William D.

Creator: Kenngott, George F.

Creator: Minchin, William J.

Creator: Sullens, Arthur J.

Creator: Walker, James F. (James Freeman), 1868-1952

Creator: Wilcox, Fred M.

Creator: Wilson, Lawrence A.

Title: Congregational Home Missionary Society records, 1882-1963.

ID: RG5341

Date [inclusive]: 1882-1963

Physical Description: 1.31 Cubic Feet (2 boxes)

Language of the Material: English .

Abstract: The Congregational Home Missionary Society provided financial assistance for congregations that could not afford to support their own minister. They also engaged in missionary activities in locations such as states west of the Mississippi, the southern Ohio River region, Black churches in northern cities, and foreign-speaking churches. The CHMS came out of the American Home Missionary Society, which was a multi-denominational organization started in 1826 to assist congregations that are unable to support the gospel ministry, and to send the gospel to the destitute within the United States. By 1893, the Congregationalists made up most of the organization so the name was changed to Congregational Home Missionary Society. This collection contains various letters, notes, and financial information related to the outreach and the daily work conducted by the Congregational Home Missionary Society.

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Historical Note

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Scope and Contents

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Arrangement

This collection is arranged into the two series listed below. Materials in series one have been arranged in alphabetical order by geographic location. Materials in series two have been arranged in chronological order by start date.

Series 1: Mission locations, 1882-1963.

Series 2: Letters, notes and pamphlets, 1904-1926.

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Acquisition Information

Collection was received from Chicago Theological Seminary in 2014, Acc# 2014-124.

Accruals

Items were transferred from the 3.6's in the library over to this archival collection and added to the collection on June 14th, 2021. This included a constitution, appendix to the constitution, two letters and a first draft of the Committee of the Five.

Processing Information

First processed according to MPLP standards in July 2017. Fully processed by William McCarthy in August 2018, using DACS Second Edition. Additional accrual was added in June 2021 with material from the library which resulted in additional processing.

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Controlled Access Headings

- Church correspondence.
- Church finance.
- Missionaries -- Correspondence.
- Tract societies.
- Constitutions.

Bibliography

Congregational Home Missionary Society records, 1893-1928. 2012. <http://amistadresearchcenter.tulane.edu/archon/?p=accessions/accession&id=457>

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Collection Inventory

Mission locations, 1882-1963

Physical Description: 50 Folders

Scope and Contents

This series contains records detailing the relationship of the Congregational Home Missionary Society to various churches and religious groups within the United States and abroad.

Title/Description	Instances	
Alaska letters, 1919-1927	box 1	folder 13
Arizona letters, 1917-1920	box 1	folder 16
Arizona and the Congregational church extension boards, 1920-1927	box 1	folder 17
Arizona letters, 1921-1923	box 1	folder 18
Arizona letters, 1924-1925	box 1	folder 19
Arizona letters, 1926	box 1	folder 20

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Arizona letters, 1927-1928	box 1	folder 21
Arizona letters, undated	box 1	folder 22
Arkansas letters, 1920-1927	box 1	folder 14
Australia letters, 1926-1927	box 1	folder 11
Bermuda letter, 1888	box 1	folder 8
California letters, 1915-1919	box 1	folder 46
Southern California Congregational superintendent George F. Kenngott, 1919-1921	box 1	folder 47
California and Fred M. Wilcox, 1919-1926	box 1	folder 48
California letters, 1920-1921	box 1	folder 49
Northern California Congregational conference, 1921-1922	box 1	folder 50
California letters, 1922	box 1	folder 51
Southern California Congregational superintendent George F. Kenngott, 1922-1927	box 1	folder 52
California and William J. Minchin, 1922-1927	box 1	folder 53
California letters, 1923	box 1	folder 54
California letters, 1924-1925	box 2	folder 1
California letters, 1926-1927, undated	box 2	folder 2
First Methodist Church of London, Canada, 1920-1922	box 1	folder 9
Union Church of the Canal Zone, March 1925	box 1	folder 10
Colorado letters, 1918-1919	box 1	folder 23
Colorado and Stephen Knight, 1919-1923	box 1	folder 24
Colorado letters, 1920	box 1	folder 25
Colorado and Lawrence A. Wilson, 1920-1923	box 1	folder 26
Colorado and C.S. Dickinson, 1920-1923	box 1	folder 27
Colorado letters, 1921-1924	box 1	folder 28
Colorado and William D. Barnes, 1921-1925	box 1	folder 29
Colorado and William J. Minchin, 1922	box 1	folder 30
Colorado and assistant superintendent James F. Walker, 1922-1926	box 1	folder 31
Colorado letters, 1923-1925	box 1	folder 32
Colorado and Robert Allingham, 1925-1926	box 1	folder 33
Colorado and superintendent A.J. Sullens, 1926-1927	box 1	folder 34

Colorado letters, 1926-1928	box 1	folder 35
Atlanta Theological seminary, 1918-1927	box 1	folder 12
Trinity parish news in Fort Wayne, Indiana, March 5, 1924	box 1	folder 36
First Congregational Church of Elkhart, Indiana, 1925-1926	box 1	folder 37
Plymouth Congregational Church of Fort Wayne, Indiana, 1928, 1940	box 1	folder 38
First Congregational Church of East Chicago, Indiana, 1936-1939	box 2	folder 9
Saint John's Evangelical and Reformed Church of Fort Wayne, Indiana, 1944	box 1	folder 39
First Community Church of Evansville, Indiana, 1948	box 1	folder 40
First Congregational Church of Gary, Indiana, 1957, 1963	box 1	folder 41
Congregational Church of Burlington, Iowa, 1882-1900	box 1	folder 42
First Congregational Church of Atlantic, Iowa, 1919, 1944	box 1	folder 43
First Congregational Church of Bradford, Iowa, 1929-1953	box 1	folder 44
Belmond Congregational Church of Belmond, Iowa, 1958	box 1	folder 45
First Congregational Church of Fort Worth, Texas, 1957-1962	box 1	folder 15

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Letters, notes and pamphlets, 1904-1926

Physical Description: 7 Folders

Scope and Contents

This series contains notes and letters on topics such as the American Red Cross, Bohemian Work, American Bible Society and various pamphlets.

Title/Description	Instances	
Constitution, October 1, 1904	box 2	folder 8
Executive Committee minutes, January 11-12, 1905	box 2	folder 7
Letter about the Committee of Five, January 30, 1905	box 2	folder 4
Pamphlets, 1906-1914	box 1	folder 1
L.C. Barnes and the Baptist Home Missionary society, 1918-1924	box 1	folder 2
Allied Christian agencies community work, 1920	box 1	folder 3
American Tract Society, 1920-1925	box 1	folder 4

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American Red Cross, 1920-1926	box 1	folder 5
Bohemian work, 1921	box 1	folder 6
American Bible Society, 1923-1926	box 1	folder 7
Letter from General Secretary, September 18, 1930	box 2	folder 5
First draft of the Report of the Committee of Five, undated	box 2	folder 3
Constitution Appendix C, undated	box 2	folder 6

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