McLEOD (WILLIAM ANGUS) PAPERS, 1900-1946

Descriptive Summary

Title: William Angus McLeod papers
Dates: 1900-1946
Extent: 10 inches, 1 volume
Language: Materials are written in English.

Biographical Note:
William Angus McLeod (1876-1947) was a Presbyterian minister, historian, and professor. McLeod was born in North Carolina in 1876, and received his education at Austin College and Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary. McLeod was licensed in 1904 and ordained in 1905. After serving in a few churches in Texas including the First Southern Presbyterian Church in Austin, Texas, teaching Systematic Theology at Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary from 1914-1918, and serving in the war effort as the secretary of the YMCA overseas from 1918-1919, McLeod began a 28-year pastorate at the First Presbyterian Church of Cuero, Texas, where he served until his death in 1947.

Scope and Contents:
Ten inches and one volume of correspondence, research material, manuscripts, sermons, lecture material, photographs and printed material (1900-1946) record the professorial, pastoral, and personal life of William Angus McLeod. The material is arranged in six series: Historical Research and Writings (1926-1946), Class and Lecture Material (1914-1918), Pastoral (1900-1939), Personal (1918-1919), Photographs (1903-1924), and Printed Material (1916-1918, undated).

The first and most voluminous series, Historical Research and Writings (1926-1946), is comprised of notes, manuscripts, and transcriptions of historical documents and newspaper articles used for research, revealing McLeod’s passion for and devotion to the study of Presbyterian history. The items in this series relate primarily to McLeod’s writings entitled “The Story of the First Southern Presbyterian Church, Austin, Texas,” and “The Presbyterian Church in Texas—Historical Sketch.” The correspondence in this series is predominately accounts of the lives of Presbyterian pioneers in Texas from the pioneers’ living relatives, solicited by McLeod. The second series, Class and Lecture Material (1914-1918) documents McLeod’s teaching methods in his years as a
professor of Systematic Theology at Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary through lecture notes, outlines, and tests to be given to students. Pastoral (1900-1939), the third series, contains a small but varied amount of material which records several aspects of McLeod’s career as a pastor. Of particular interest is material relating to McLeod’s licensure and ordination, inaugural address as pastor of the First Southern Presbyterian Church, and pastoral calls he received. A bound volume of correspondence between McLeod and his wife Matilda written and received while McLeod was serving in the YMCA during World War I, as transcribed by McLeod’s grandson, comprises the fourth series, Personal (1918-1919). Photographic material depicting McLeod and his classmates at the Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary is located in the fifth series, Photographs (1903-1924), and the sixth series, Printed Material (1916-1918, undated), primarily contains pamphlets published by the International Sunday School Foundation.

The material was received in six separate accessions. The first five, 1996-058, 1998-013, 1998-014, 1998-019, and 1998-020 represent gifts to the archives from McLeod’s grandson James. Materials in accession #2007-009 were originally held at the Montreat office of the Presbyterian Historical Society. They were transferred to the Austin Seminary Archives in 2007.

Restrictions:
Materials are available by appointment only. Contact the archivist for details.

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First Southern Presbyterian Church (Austin, Tex.)
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