PRESBYTERIAN PHOTOGRAPHS COLLECTION, 1860-1960s

Descriptive Summary

Title: Presbyterian photographs collection
Dates: 1860-1960s
Extent: 3 inches plus 4 rolled panoramic photographs
Language: Materials are written in English.

Scope and Contents:
The Presbyterian photographs collection is an artificial collection of Presbyterian-related photographs donated at various times throughout the Seminary’s history and organized initially by the first archivist at the Seminary. Photographs primarily document the early 20th century history of the Presbyterian Church, primarily in Texas and the southwest. The collection includes photographs donated by individuals as well as those transferred from the Stitt Library or different offices in the Seminary.

The collection consists of four series: Series I includes photographs of Presbyterian Churches in Texas; Series II includes photographs of churches in Missouri; Series III includes photographs of churches in Virginia; Series IV includes photographs of unidentified Presbyterian Churches; Series V includes individual and group portraits of people either directly or indirectly involved with the Presbyterian Church. Each series includes photographs dating from the 1860s to 1940s.

Description for each photograph depended on various factors including original inscriptions on the actual item, identification of people or places by Seminary staff, as well as print and online resources. Additional information may be found in the holding record for the collection.

Material without an accession number noted is part of accession 2016-007. This material was found on the shelf in the archives with no donor information and officially accessioned when the collection was processed.

Processing Information:
Processed by Itza Carbajal, Archives Assistant, May 2016.
**Restrictions:**
Rolled panoramic photographs are restricted for preservation reasons. Materials are available by appointment only. Contact the archivist for details.

**Index Terms:**
Purcell, Malcolm Lee, 1893-1978.
Eastminster Presbyterian Church (Kansas City, Mo.)
Laymen’s Missionary Movement (Presbyterian Church in the U.S.)
Presbyterian Church in the U.S.--Presbytery of South Texas.
Presbyterian Church in the U.S.--Presbytery of Texas-Mexico.
Presbyterian Church in the Confederate States of America.
St. Andrew’s Presbyterian Cemetery (Houston, Tex.)
University Presbyterian Church (Austin, Tex.)
Westminster Encampment (Kerrville, Tex.)
Presbyterian Church--Texas--History.
Presbyterians--Texas.

**Related collections:** Congregational History Collection at the Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary Archives

**Preferred Citation:** Presbyterian photographs collection, 1860-1960s, Austin Seminary Archives, Stitt Library, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary

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Austin, TX:  
Synod of Texas delegates, Austin, Texas [RESTRICTED: rolled panoramic photo; 2018-005], October 10-14, 1935 |
| **F110** | Felder Photo Company. Presentation of old photos, circa 1933-1946  
**NOTE:** Not all subjects identified. Subjects include: left to right Stuart Purcell, unidentified, unidentified, Malcolm Purcell, Mayor Tom Miller of Austin University Presbyterian Church:  
University Studio. 50th anniversary of the University Presbyterian Church taken at the Parlor, now known as the Edleen Beg Parlor, [1993-005], circa 1942  
**NOTE:** Not all subjects identified. Subjects |
include: Conway Wharton and wife, Jeannette R. Currie, Alice Wharton, Louissa Roe, D.A. Penick, Mrs. L. C. Majors, C. Ellis Nelson, Nancy Gribble Nelson, John A. McCurdy, Miriam Warner, Fred (?) Penick, Stuart Purcell, Albert Purcell, Thomas McElhenney, Robert A. Law, Stuart D. Currie, Eugene E. Wood (?), Rosa Penick, John M. Purcell, Mrs. Pettigrew, Mrs. T. B. Cochran, Rev. and Mrs. Fred (?) Kerns, George Endress, J.B. Wharey, Flynn Long and wife

Groundbreaking of new sanctuary at the University Presbyterian Church, [1996-088], undated

NOTE: Not all subjects identified. Subjects include: James McCord, Daniel Penick, Hulon Black, and Billy Syers (young boy)

Baytown, TX:
Brazos Presbytery Church Camp at Camp Ross Sterling [1996-060]:
YMCA house, people standing on porch, 1943
Grounds, including cabins, 1943
Group picture near dock (youth), [two photos], circa 1943
Group picture near dock (adults), circa 1943-1944
Group picture near dock, 1944

NOTE: Not all subjects identified. Subjects include: Elizabeth Glasscock, Henry Quinius, Martin Singleton, “Manny” Douglas, Sarah Hunt, Palmer Delotus, Elizabeth Hunt, Caroline Purchell, Joy Wade, Margaret Purcell, Oscar Landry, and Mary Landry

Corpus Christi, TX:
Karl Swafford Company. First Presbyterian Church, [two photographs], circa 1921-1922 and undated
T.W. Swofford’s Studio. Unidentified church, undated

Dallas, TX:
[Laymen’s Missionary Movement (PCUS) Convention at the First Presbyterian Church of Dallas (?)], group photograph posed with a bicycle in front and a banner reading “Circulation,” a sign on the door behind the group reads “Delegates Only,” [2016-007, see also 1996-083], [February 23-25 1915]
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Fort Worth, TX:

General Assembly of the Southern Presbyterian Church (PCUS). Broadway Presbyterian Church. O.L. Swartz, Photographer, [1998-007], May 1905

**F110**

Hillsboro, TX:

First Presbyterian Church, [1996-063], circa 1960s

**NOTE:** left to right Rev. and Mrs. Bob R. Moon and Mrs. Jack Pruitt

Houston, TX:

St. Andrew’s Presbyterian Church, groundbreaking, [1993-005], circa 1946

**NOTE:** Not all subjects identified. Subjects include: left to right Malcolm Lee Purcell and Lowry Owen

Kerrville, TX:

Austin College Clubhouse at Presbyterian Westminster Encampment, [2016-005], 1910

**NOTE:** One of the men pictured is Rev. William H. Foster, Sr.

**B091**

Young People’s Conference, Westminster Encampment

[RESTRICTED: rolled panoramic photo; 2018-005], June 20, 1929

Young People’s Conference, Westminster Encampment

[RESTRICTED: rolled panoramic photo; 2018-005], June 12, 1931

**F110**

Meeting of officers of the Young People’s Conference at Presbyterian Westminster Encampment, [1993-010], circa 1935

**NOTE:** Not all subjects identified. Subjects include: front left to right unidentified, Bill Foster, Sara Bernice Honea (Mosely), Ellis Nelson, unidentified, Fred Schmidt, unidentified, Evelyn Spikes, Linda Wharton (McDonald), Vince Hammond (?) back left to right Bill Elliott, Clark Redman, Gene Wood, John Anderson, unidentified, Ann Tandy (Early), unidentified, Ida Frances Clark, Evans Munroe, John D. Mosely, Mrs. L.C. Majors

Livingston, TX:

Brazos Presbytery Youth Council at Camp Cho Yeh, [1996-060], 1949

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“Brazos Pres Youth going to Cho Yeh,” 1949  
“Getting ready to go to camp Cho Yeh,” 1949  
“Cho Yeh Presbytery Youth Council,” 1949  
“Brazos Presbytery Youth Council at Camp Cho-Yeah (1st year), circa 1949  
   NOTE: Subjects include: front left to right Hugh Norman Brown, Jane Ella Brooks, Margaret Purcell, Martha Parse  
   back left to right Margie Stauffer, Phillip Blatt  
“Brazos Presbytery Youth Council at Camp Cho Yeh site,” circa 1949  
Uncaptioned photo, circa 1949  
   NOTE: Subjects include: front left to right Margie Stauffer, Margaret Purcell, Martha Parse, Jane Ella Brooks  
   back left to right Hugh Norman Brown, Phillip Blatt  
“Brazos Presbytery Youth Council at Camp Cho-Yeh,” circa 1949  
Uncaptioned photo, circa 1949  
   NOTE: Subjects include: Phillip Blatt and Hugh Norman Brown  

   NOTE: Subjects include: front left to right Margaret Purcell, Martha Parse, Jane Ella Brooks, Jane Duraps  
   middle left to right Hugh Norman Brown, Bill Schlaudt, Homer Reynolds  
   back left to right Suzanne Oelfke, Sonny Sundermyers, Walter Eldreth, Phillip Blatt  

Natalia, TX:  
Studer’s Photography. Natalia Community Church, undated  
Studer’s Photography. Group portrait, [Natalia Community Church], undated  

Rule, TX:  
Presbyterian Church at Rule, Texas. Built in 1910, while James F. Hardie spent his summer vacation doing home mission work there, during his Seminary days,”  
February 26, 1950  

Rusk, TX:  
Note: James McCord’s home church [1997-005]  
First Presbyterian Church, undated  
First Presbyterian Church historic marker, undated  

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First Presbyterian Church altar, undated
First Presbyterian Church pastor’s study, undated

Waco, TX:

Note: from Mr. Purcell via Dr. Street
2nd Presbyterian Church, interior, circa 1896-1899
2nd Presbyterian Church Manse, circa 1896-1899
2nd Presbyterian Church minister’s study, circa 1896-1899
Room in the Adam’s home, circa 1896-1899

F110 SERIES II – Missouri:
Kansas City, MO:
Eastminster Presbyterian Church, Anderson Avenue and
Benton Boulevard, undated

F110 SERIES III – Virginia:
Richmond, VA:
2nd Presbyterian Church and manse, NE corner of 5th and
Main streets, photo taken from the rear, undated

F110 SERIES IV – Unidentified Location:
Taylor’s Mountain Church, undated
Stained glass window, undated

F110 SERIES V – Portraits:
Individuals:
T. W Archibald, 1892
George Washington Belk Sr. or Jr? , undated
Evander Dickson Brown, [Austin Seminary faculty, 1904-1906, 1999-2010], circa 1920s
Studson Photography. George Allen Brown (1834-1925),
includes memorial card, undated
Frank Emmett Clark, undated
S.M. Erickson, undated
Robert McAlpine Hall, 1917-1919
Homeier & Clark Photography. Thomas Cary Johnson,
undated
Stephenson Photography. A. A. Lassle?, undated
Walter Lee Lingle, undated
Harris & Ewing Photography. F. Louise, undated
Ernest Carlyle Lynch, undated
John Sprole Lyons Jr. or Sr.?, undated
Majestic Photo Finishers. Mrs. L. C Majors, Synod’s

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Religious Director of Texas, Dallas, [1998-012, see also group portraits below], circa 1930s
Homer McMillan, undated
Samuel Monroe Neel, circa 1888-1912
Larry Owen, undated
Benjamin Morgan Palmer, circa 1860
George S. Cook Photography. W.J. Richardson, undated
George S. Cook Photography. Henry Ruffner, undated
Alexander Sprunt, undated
Henry Hayes Sweets, undated
[Elias Treviño], undated
Thornton Whaling, “The newly elected moderator,” undated
Unidentified individuals:
Wear’s Studio; Sherman, Texas. Portrait of a man, undated
Portrait of a man, undated
Portrait of a man, undated
Groups:
Toyohiko Kagawa and Harry White Myers, September 1934
A.R. Levering Photography. Group portrait, undated
NOTE: Subjects include: front left to right unidentified, unidentified, Harris Kevk, unidentified, unidentified
back left to right unidentified, unidentified, unidentified, unidentified,
James J. Vince, unidentified, unidentified, unidentified, unidentified
Mrs. L. C. Majors and Stella Winogene, [1998-012], circa 1930s
Mitchusson / Conoley family:
Group portrait of four girls, undated
NOTE: Subjects include: left to right Ann Elizabeth Sellers Conoley Allcom, Frances Tate Conoley Bonds, Virginia Graham Conoley Boone, Mary Hadley Conoley Bonds
Group portrait of four girls and a boy, undated
NOTE: Subjects include: left to right Lucy Anna Conoley Moseley, Sarah Ballentine Conoley McGregor, Catherine Shaw Conoley, Margaret Amy Conoley Mitchusson, Malcolm Cambell Conoley Jr.
William Edward Mitchusson and Amy Conoley Mitchusson, [tintype], undated
P.F. Goben Photography. “S.M. Pickett and wife,” 1896
Group members of South Texas Presbytery Council,
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[1993-005], undated

**NOTE:** Subjects include: *standing left to right* Cecil H. Lang Jr., Ralph D. Bucy, Malcolm L. Purcell, *seated* Howard Blake

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“Ministers at 1947 Leadership School” [RESTRICTED: rolled panoramic photo; 2018-005], undated