

Guide to the Benjamin Franklin Hill Papers

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The purpose of this finding aid is to help you understand the nature of this collection and to assist you in the retrieval of material from this collection. The following pages contain a brief biographical history of the person, or persons, who created or collected these papers, followed by a general description of the collection in the scope and content note. If more detailed information is warranted then series descriptions also appear. The container listing appears last and is the listing of material in each box, or container, of this collection. To request material you need to turn to the container listing section. It is essentially a listing of file folders, or artifact items, in the collection. Each folder, or item, has a call number associated with it. Each folder also lists the inclusive dates of the material in the folder. On the material request form list both the call number and the folder, or item, title. Use a different line for each folder, or item, requested. When your request sheet is complete, or full, bring it to the archivist and the material will be retrieved.

Biographical Note

Benjamin Franklin Hill (1872-1959), American Minister, was an ordained clergy member of both the Methodist Episcopal Church and the Methodist Church, who served in a number of churches in the Southern United States, Canada, and California. Hill was born in West Virginia, possibly in Nicholas County, which was where he met his future wife, Georgia Moffeit Summers. He taught for ten years before becoming an ordained minister in the West Virginia Conference. Hill also authored various newspaper articles and a book entitled, "Morning Star" which was a paraphrase of the Bible. Part of his ministry was to the Pottowattomi Tribe in Kansas and the Osage and Cherokee Tribes in Oklahoma where he built schools and churches. Hill homesteaded in Canada and struck oil in Texas. He finally retired to California after thirty-three years of service to the church.

Scope and Content Note

The collection contains sixteen volumes of Hill's philosophy of government during the mid-twentieth century. The manuscripts reflect a populous view of government in light of the Bible and Christian theology. Also included are photocopies of his credentials and newspaper clippings celebrating his sixty-fifth and seventy-first wedding anniversaries.

Arrangement

Material has been arranged in the following manner. The records are arranged by original order.

Related Material

Access Restrictions

There are no restrictions on this collection.

Use Access

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