

Guide to the Newton T. Gottschall Collection

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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

Newton Tennis Gottschall (1893-1979) was a Methodist Episcopal Church missionary to Indonesia and Hawaii. Gottschall was born in Galesburg, Illinois, on April 2, 1893. He received a bachelor of science in education degree from the University of Missouri in 1920 and a bachelor of arts from the University of Missouri in 1921. Gottschall graduated from Garrett Biblical Institute in 1929 and earned an M.A. from Northwestern University in 1930.

Upon arrival in Indonesia in 1920, he began education work. In July 1921, he married Charlotte Agnes Swank of Rossville, Indiana. That same year he was received on trial in the Netherlands Indies Mission Conference. In 1923 he was granted full connection and ordained a deacon. In 1925 he was ordained an elder. From 1929-1935 Gottschall was the principal at the Methodist Boys' School in Medan.

Gottschall returned to the United States in 1935 and pastored several churches in Indiana. He was also appointed missionary secretary for the North West Indiana Conference, a position he held from 1940 to 1948. In 1949 Gottschall resumed his missionary activities in Hawaii and remained there until 1955.

Newton Gottschall died on January 26, 1979 at Wesley Manor in Frankfort, Indiana, at the age of 85. He is buried in the Rossville, Indiana Cemetery.

Scope Note

This collection contains dairies, stereoscopic photographs, correspondence, clippings, bulletins, pamphlets, and publications relating to the work and ministry of Newton Tennis Gottschall. One of the diaries, written while in Indonesia, is from Charlotte Agnes Swank Gottschall.

Arrangement

Material has been arranged in the following manner.

SERIES: CORRESPONDENCE.

SERIES: DIARIES.

SERIES: MANUSCRIPTS.

SERIES: METHODIST BOYS' SCHOOL.

SERIES: NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS.

SERIES: CHURCH BULLETINS.

SERIES: PUBLICATIONS.

SERIES: STEREOSCOPIC PHOTOGRAPHS.

Related Material

Additional material on Newton T. Gottschall can be located in the Records of the Methodist Church, Board of Missions Missionary Files Series; and the Records of the United Methodist Church, General Board of Global Ministries, World Division (Accession 1984-022).

Access Restrictions

There are no restrictions regarding this collection.

Restrictions on Use

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Preferred Citation

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Subject Terms

Additional Creators - Personal

Gottschall, Charlotte.

Subject Names - Corporate

Methodist Boys' School (Medan)
Methodist Episcopal Church

Subject Topics

Missions
Women.

Subject Geographic

Indonesia.

Genre

Church bulletins.
Clippings
Diaries
Pamphlets
Periodicals
Stereoscopic photographs

Occupations

Minister.
Missionary

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Correspondence

Call Number	Folder Title	Date(s)
1306-3-7:7	Correspondence	1925

Diaries

Call Number	Folder Title	Date(s)
1306-3-7:1	Diary, Volume 1: April 1, 1922 to January 13, 1924	1922-1924
1306-3-7:2	Diary, Volume 2: January 1 to December 27	1924
1306-3-7:3	Diary, Volume 3: January 1 to December 16	1925
1306-3-7:4	Diary, Volume 4: January 1 to November 16	1926
1306-3-7:5	Diary, Volume 5: Undated entries from 1929; some entries from 1930 and 1932 to 1933	1929-1933
1306-3-7:6	Diary, Volume 6: January 1, 1930 to December 31, 1933 (Charlotte Gottschall's diary)	1930-1933

Manuscripts

Call Number	Folder Title	Date(s)
1306-3-7:8	Experiences We Treasure - 1963-1971, Part 1: Volume 1, Chapter 1	1971
1306-3-7:9	Experiences We Treasure - 1963-1971, Part 2: Volume 1, Chapter 4	1971
1306-3-7:10	Experiences We Treasure - 1963-1971, Part 3: Volume 3, Chapter 3	1971

Methodist Boys' School

Call Number	Folder Title	Date(s)
1306-3-7:11	Pamphlet: Medan	1935

Newspaper Clippings

Call Number	Folder Title	Date(s)
1306-3-7:13	Newspaper clippings	1921-1934

Church Bulletins

Call Number	Folder Title	Date(s)
1306-3-7:12	Methodist Episcopal Church (Medan)	1934-1935

Publications

Call Number	Folder Title	Date(s)
1306-3-7:14	The Other Side	1930-1933
1306-3-7:15	Sumatra News Letter	1929-1932
1306-3-7:16	Sumatra Tidings	1933-1935

Stereoscopic Photographs

Call Number	Folder Title	Date(s)
1306-3-7:17	Stereoscopic photographs	Undated