Collection Note

Donovan Ebersole Smucker (1915-2001) was the third son of Boyd and Mary Smucker of Bluffton, Ohio. Smucker graduated from Bluffton College in 1936 and went on to attend Yale Divinity School (1936-38), Oberlin College (~ 1939-42), and Princeton University (1944-47), before earning M.A. (1953) and Ph. D. (1957) degrees from the University of Chicago. Smucker held teaching positions at Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Lake Forest College, and Conrad Grebel College, with a two-year presidency at Mary Holmes College in West Point, Mississippi, prior to his move to Canada. Smucker also served as pastor of First Mennonite Church in Wadsworth, Ohio, in the early 1940s, and later took a number of interim pastoral assignments.

For more biographical information, see Smucker, Donovan E. (1915-2001) at GAMEO.org.

This collection was received from members of the Smucker family in 1998 and reboxed for a collection move in 2004. The collection was reviewed, weeded, and processed in September and October, 2018.

Carrie Phillips, Archives & Special Collections Librarian

Box/Folder Inventory & Contents Description

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Correspondence

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Literary Productions

| 3      | Book Reviews | 1972 |
| 4      | Chapel in the Air, final broadcast | [1944] |
| 5      | Christian Social Concern and Peace: The New Developments Effecting Hershberger’s Formulation | 1975 |
| 6      | Church and State in Soviet Russia and its Implications for the Ecumenical Movement Today (written at Princeton) | 1946 |
| 8      | [Contemporary Mennonite Scholarship] | [1976] |
| 9      | Course materials | 1954-86 |
| 10     | Course materials: Christian Ethics I & II [Mennonite Biblical Seminary] | undated |
| 11     | Course materials: Constructive Theology [Mennonite Biblical Seminary] | 1949-50 |
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1. The Crisis in Conscience 1994
2. The Economics of Church Renewal 1988-90
3. From the Apostolic Church to Birmingham 1963
4. Great Speeches of the Twentieth Century, or Twentieth Century Prophets and Seers on the Rim of the Abyss undated
5. Jerome Smucker, Mennonite Pioneer 1991
6. Jewish Apocalyptic Literature and Current Aspects of Premillennialism In America (written at Oberlin College) 1943
8. Keynote Statements on Peace and War in the 20th Century (Part 2) undated; [1980s?]

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1. The Legacy of Martin Luther King undated
2. The Martins and the Fords undated
3. The Meaning of Christian Love undated
4. Mennonite Critique of Modern Pacifism undated
5. The Negro Revolt in Chicago: A Confrontation of White Power Structure 1964
6. The Origins of Walter Rauschenbusch’s Social Ethics (abstract for oral examination) 1957
7. The Origins of Walter Rauschenbusch’s Social Ethics (bound thesis) 1957
8. The Place of Space for Faith; August 26, 1991 – Douglas, MI 1991
10. Rauschenbusch After Fifty Years 1956
11. Rauschenbusch After Seventy-two Years 1990
13. The Russian Riddle undated
14. Schmucker genealogy undated

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1. Sermon Notes undated
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9  Sermon Notes                        1985
10  Sermon Notes                       1989
11  Sermon Notes                       1991-95
12  Spirituality and Peacemaking       1993
13  A Tale of Two Strategies: Mennonites in Chicago and Winnipeg  1976
14  The Theological Basis for Christian Pacifism  1950
15  The Twentieth Century Mennonite Experience with Collective Settlements in Russia, Canada, U.S.A., and Paraguay  1976

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Folder
1  Two Dynamics in American Christianity: From Jonathan Edwards and John Woolman to Billy Graham and Martin Luther King  1998
2  Types of Pacifism (Yale)  1936
3  Untitled Billy Graham manuscript  undated
4  Win and Marga: Our Favorite Couple; Winning the Gold  1986
5  World Council of Churches Sixth Assembly report  1983

Certificates
6  Certificates  1976

Printed Material
7  Printed Material  1942-54

Photographic Material
8  Photographs  various, undated
9  Photographs: Jerome Smucker book  various, undated

Artifacts
10  Ministerial notebook
11  Notebook containing 1993 Bluffton College baccalaureate address notes  1993

Box 8

Reel-to-reel and audio cassettes of Smucker lectures/speeches