

**Finding Aid for the
Winburn Family papers
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Repository: Archives and Special Collections, Ouachita Baptist University

Creator: Winburn Family

Title: Winburn Family papers

Bulk Dates: 1880-1956

Inclusive Dates: 1778-1990

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Abstract: Photographs, correspondence, published and unpublished manuscripts, musical compositions, legal papers, genealogical research, and ephemera from the family of Dr. Hardy L. Winburn and Lena Barnes Winburn, who relocated from Tennessee to Arkadelphia, Arkansas, in 1903. Dr. Winburn was a theologian and pastored First Baptist Church in Arkadelphia for 11 years. Mrs. Winburn served as Dean of Women at Ouachita Baptist College from 1940-1949. Also contains Susan Winburn's Civil War diary.

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Arrangement

Series I: Correspondence

Series II: Genealogy

Series III: Legal Documents

Series IV: Writings and Journals

Series V: Ephemera

Subseries a: Programs

Subseries b: Newspaper Clippings

Series VI: Photographs

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Scope and Contents

Photographs of the Winburn family and friends, correspondence primarily from Dr. Hardy L. Winburn II to Lena Winburn, published and unpublished writings, musical compositions by Dr. Winburn, legal papers, genealogical research on the families of Winburn and Barnes, ephemera, catalogues, and programs. Also contains Susan Winburn's Civil War diary.

Biographical Summary

Hardy Lathan Winburn, Jr., was born 16 April 1887, in Bells, Tennessee, to Hardy Lathan Winburn, Sr., and Susan Caroline Sinclair Winburn. He attended public school in Bells and then went on to attend Southwestern Baptist University in Jackson, Tennessee. While there, he met Lena Barnes, who he would marry in 1899. After pastoring in Tennessee and Illinois, the Winburns came to Arkadelphia in 1903, where Hardy served as pastor of First Baptist Church of Arkadelphia. He was a pastor there for 11 years before leaving for a pastoral position at the Walnut Street Church in Louisville, Kentucky. The family returned to Arkadelphia in 1918.

Hardy also received a Doctor of Divinity degree from his alma mater, Southwestern Baptist University, as well as from Ouachita College (1912). In 1921, he received an LL.D. degree from Georgetown College.

Dr. Winburn was involved in many organizations during his lifetime, including the Arkadelphia Rotary Club, the Education Society of Kentucky, the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, the Young People's Summer Assembly of Arkansas, the executive board of the Southern Baptist Convention, the board of trustees of the Baptist Bible Institute in New Orleans, a board member and president of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, and the United States for the Baptist World Alliance. He was involved with Ouachita College for 34 years. Winburn also wrote and published works related to the subjects of religion and history.

Lena Mae Barnes was born 17 September 1882, in Jackson, Mississippi, to Timothy and Lucy Ann Whitlow Barnes. She attended school at Memphis Conference Female Institute in Jackson, TN, where she graduated with a Mistress of English Literature degree in 1898. After moving to Arkadelphia, she was involved with the Arkadelphia Literary Club and the Arkadelphia Federation of Women's Clubs. She also served as the Dean of Women at Ouachita College from 1940 to 1949.

The Winburns had seven children: Hardy Winburn III, Martha Winburn (England), Wade B. Winburn, Sinclair Winburn, Cherry Winburn (Wright), William H. Winburn, and Nancy Winburn.

Dr. Winburn died at the age of 49 in 1936, and Lena died in 1958 at the age of 76.

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Winburn, Hardy Lathan II
Winburn, Lena May Barnes
Winburn, Susan

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Box/Folder Contents Inventory

Series I: Correspondence

- 1799/001 H.L. Winburn letters, 16 September 1855-23 August 1921
- 1799/002 Winburn Family letters and correspondence, 1860-1990
- 1799/003 Correspondence about the Bivouac of Confederate Veterans, 1888-1956
- 1799/004 Adelina Patti's Farewell Program booklet and Letter from Mrs. H.L. Winburn, 1904 and not dated
- 1799/005 Correspondence, photographs, and *S.S. Europa* passenger list from Hardy Winburn's trip to Europe, 1934

Series II: Genealogy

- 1799/006 Winburn Family genealogy research (1 of 2), 1778-1957
- 1799/007 Winburn Family genealogy research (2 of 2), 1782-1962
- 1802 Winburn Family records of marriages, births, and deaths and shell of book, 1835-1956

Series III: Legal Documents

- 1799/008 Copy of Thomas Garner deeds from North Carolina and South Carolina, 1783-1792, 1955
- 1799/009 Barnes Family tax and court receipts, August 1870- June 1883
- 1799/010 Barnes Family tax and court receipts, February 1884- May 1911
- 1799/011 Barnes Family deeds, court records, and legal documents, 1888-1929

Series IV: Writings and Journals

- 1799/012 "Life's Double Thread," address by Hardy L. Winburn, 7 November 1915
- 1799/013 Copy of "The Flame in the Wind," by Margaret Steele Anderson sent by Robbie Trent with photograph to Martha Jean Winburn, June 1926
- 1800/001 Hardy L. Winburn poems, 1933 and not dated
- 1800/002 "The Biographical Sketch of Dr. H.L Winburn up to the World War," by Dr. J.F. Love and "From the World War to his Death," by Walter Scott McNutt, not dated

- 1800/003 Notes about Winburn Family and history, not dated
- 1802 Susan Carolyn Sinclair Winburn journal, 1862-1863
- 1802 "The Way," poem written by Hardy L. Winburn and sheet music, not dated
- 1800/021 "The Virgin Birth," carbon typed manuscript by H. L. Winburn, 1937
- 1800/022 "The Hospital and the Future," carbon typed manuscript by H. L. Winburn, not dated.
- 1800/023 "Conquest Campaign," typed manuscript by H. L. Winburn, not dated

Series V: Ephemera

- 1800/004 Lena Barnes fourth grade record of attendance and scholarship, 1890-1891
- 1800/005 *The Eatonian*, IV, 3, (December 1896), published by Southwestern Baptist University's Literary Societies
- 1800/006 Hardy L. Winburn's Certificate of Ordination, 1903
- 1800/007 Winburn Family postcards, 1909, 1947 and not dated
- 1800/008 Ouachita College information booklet, 17 November 1909
- 1800/009 The Women's Missionary Society Special Tribute program and postcard, 7 August 1951
- 1800/010 Christmas signature booklet, not dated
- 1800/011 Christmas card from Gladys and Hardy Winburn, not dated

Subseries a: Programs

- 1800/012 Memphis Conference Female Institute commencement invitation and programs, May 1898
- 1800/013 Memphis Conference Female Institute commencement and recital program, June 1899
- 1800/014 John Little McClellan Collection formal opening program, 1 December 2011

Subseries b: Newspaper Clippings

- 1800/015 Arkadelphia Boy's Band ca. 1920s, not dated
- 1800/016 Newspaper clippings about the Winburn Family, 1913-1989
- 1800/017 Newspaper clipping about Rev. Hardy L. Winburn, 28 June 1962

Series VI: Photographs

- 1800/018 Winburn Family, ca. 1850s-1956
- 1800/019 Lena Barnes Winburn, ca. 1890s-1946
- 1800/020 Photographs of Southwestern Baptist University Graduating Class of 1899, 1898-1899 and graduation program for Class of 1898
- 1801/001 Hardy L. Winburn II, 1899-ca. 1910s, not dated
- 1801/002 Lena Winburn's "The Social Twenty," photo album, 1909
- 1801/003 Winburn Family at parsonage at 9th and Pine in Arkadelphia, Arkansas, 1912
- 1801/004 Winburn Family, ca. 1940s
- 1801/005 Hardy L. Winburn with Dr. Charles D. Johnson in graduation regalia, not dated
- 1801/006 Hardy L. Winburn's sisters and their children, not dated
- 1801/007 Martha Winburn England, not dated
- 1801/008 Winburn Family friends and relatives, ca.1890-1930 and not dated
- 1801/009 Winburn Family friends and relatives, not dated
- 1802/002 Arkadelphia Boys Band, not dated
- 1802/003 Hardy L. II and Lena Barnes Winburn with their children Hardy III, Wade, and Martha Jean Winburn, not dated
- 1802/004-005 Winburn Family sitting on porch of Winburn home in Bells, Tennessee, 1902
- 1802/006 Arkadelphia Delegates to Arkansas Federation and Women's Club in Hot Springs, no date

- 1802/007 Group photograph of Lena Barnes Winburn at a farewell party, 1903
- 1802/008 Glass photograph of Lena Barnes Wiburn, not dated
- 2742 3 1/2 x 4-inch framed photograph of Dr. Townsend, not dated

Series VII: Artifacts

- 2742 2 pairs of eyeglasses and cases
- 2742 Baptist War Service pendant