

**Preliminary Inventory of the Robert L. Garrard Collection, circa 1940s-
1980s
Collection Number 10017**

Greensboro Medical Historical Library, Moses Cone Health System Medical Library

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Repository

Moses Cone Health System Medical Library, Greensboro Medical Historical Library

Creator

Garrard, Robert L.

Title

Robert L. Garrard Collection, circa 1940s-1980s

Call Number

10017

Language of Materials

Materials in English

Extent

Items: About 3600 items

Linear Feet: 6.0

Abstract

Administrative Information

Restrictions to Access

No Restrictions

Acquisitions Information

Received from Robert L. Garrard of Greensboro, N.C.

Processing Information

Collection is minimally processed, but usable with staff assistance.

Preferred Citation

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Online Catalog Headings

These and related materials may be found under the following headings in online catalogs.

Boaz (Ala.)
Elderly – Social and Emotional Needs
Garrard, Robert Lemley
Greensboro (N.C.)
History of Medicine
History of Physicians
History, 20th Century
Instrumentation - Medical
McGee, Julian M.
Medical Staff, Hospital
Moses H. Cone Memorial Hospital (Greensboro, N.C.)
Norment, William
North Carolina Neuropsychiatric Association
North Carolina State Medical Society
Psychiatry
Senior Physicians of Guilford (N.C.)
Sikes, Thomas Edgar
World War II – Medical Service

Biographical Note

Born in Boaz, Alabama, in 1905, Robert Lemley Garrard was graduated from Snead Seminary in Boaz, Alabama, in 1924 and received his B.A. degree from the University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, in 1928. He received a Master's degree at the same institution. A member of Phi Beta Kappa, he was also co-founder and National President of Alpha Epsilon Delta from 1928 to 1930. He completed his first two years of medicine at Alabama and then transferred to Harvard Medical School, where he received his M.D. in 1932. He then interned at Rhode Island Hospital from 1933 to 1935. He had a residency in Psychiatry at Boston Psychopathic Hospital (now Massachusetts Mental Health Center) from 1936-1939 and a residency in neurology at Columbia Presbyterian Medical Center in 1940.

Garrard became the staff Psychiatrist at the Broughton Hospital in Morganton, N.C., from 1940-1941. He started his own practice in Greensboro, N.C., in 1941, but was interrupted by the mobilization of the Duke Unit. Garrard began military service as a member of the 65th General Hospital or Duke Unit, from 1942 to 1946. Garrard became Chief of the psychiatric service at the army general hospitals and was discharged a Lieutenant Colonel. During his time in the service, Garrard wrote *Service in Foreign Lands*, an account of his experiences during World War II. After completing his service in the military, he began his practice in Greensboro, N.C., and became very active in the State Medical Society. In 1959, he was president of the Guilford County Medical Society as well as being Chief of Psychiatry at Moses H. Cone Memorial Hospital from 1953 to 1968. He was instrumental in beginning SPOG (Senior Physicians of Guilford). Garrard died in 1989.

Collection Overview

The Robert L. Garrard Collection consists of research materials, clippings, subject files, writings, manuscripts, and museum items related to Garrard's research interests and writing projects. Also included are materials related to Garrard's position as Chief of Psychiatry at the Moses H. Cone Memorial Hospital from 1953 to 1968.

Some of the subjects represented in the collection include: medical service in foreign countries during World War II; the history of Boaz, Alabama; the social and emotional needs of the elderly; neuropsychiatry; William Norment, M.D.; Julian M. McGee, M.D.; Thomas Edgar Sikes, M.D.; and general medical history.

Detailed Description of the Collection

Papers, 1940s-1980s

About 3600 items
Linear Feet: 4.5

Box 1

Subject Files/Writings

Subject files from "Forensic" to "Sterilization"

Self-published book, *Service in Foreign Lands*

Harvard Medical School: Class of 1932: 1932-1982 Fiftieth Reunion Report

Historical background on the North Carolina Neuropsychiatric Association

Social and Emotional Needs of the Elderly by Robert L. Garrard

The History of Boaz, Alabama by Robert L. Garrard

Box 2

Subject Files

Subject files from "Book Reviews" to "John Wyeth."

Box 3

Subject Files/Clippings

Subject files from "Games" to "Spinal Fluid."

Trent Collection Newsletter

Clippings, William Norment

Biography, Julian M. McGee

Research materials related to T.E. Sikes, including writings by Sikes

Box 4

Museum Item

Medical Instrument: Bromide Analyzer