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George F. Wells, 1878-1958.
Papers, 1900-1958.
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 Wells, George Frederick, 1878-1958.
 Papers, 1900-1958.
 8 linear ft.

Methodist minister.

Summary: Papers of George Frederick Wells include diaries, 1905-1958; writings on the rural church and various theological questions; sermons; scrapbooks and notebooks; and pamphlets, tracts and church programs. Also, correspondence, 1900-1958, much of it with World War II servicemen, but also concerning the Country Church Movement.

Finding aids: Container list.

References: REPORT OF THE CURATOR AND ARCHIVIST, 1958-1962.

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1. Rural churches. 2. Methodists--United States. 3. Methodist Church--United States. 4. Preaching, Methodist. 5. Religion--Study and teaching--United States. 6. World War 1939-1945--Participation, American. 7. World War 1939-1945--Methodists.

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Wells, George Frederick, 1878-1958. Papers, 1900-1958; 8 ft.

Methodist clergyman's papers, consisting of diaries (38 vols., 1905-1909, 1911, 1913-1914, 1917-1920, 1923-1958); numerous drafts of articles on the rural church and its role in the community, religious education of children, ministerial ethics, church federation, theological questions, and other subjects, and copies of periodicals containing his articles; sermons with indexes; scrapbooks and notebooks (18 vols.); loose newspaper and magazine clippings; pamphlets, tracts, and church programs; card files of correspondents in military service, copies of original poems and prayers, bibliography of writings concerning the Country Church Movement, Wells' book The Status of Rural Vermont (1903), photographs, and correspondence (1900-1958), both incoming and carbon copies of outgoing, the bulk of it with World War II servicemen formerly in his Boy Scout troops, but also with Kenyon L. Butterfield, Staley F. Davis, Mark Dawber, Edward R. Eastman, George B. Gilbert, Joseph L. Hills, Henry Israel, Benson Y. Landis, John M. Pearson, Mark Rich, E. B. Sanford, Paul I. Vogt, Frank A. Waugh, Ralph Williamson, much of the latter pertaining to the Country Church Movement. Columbia, Delaware, Dutchess, Greene Counties; Tyringham, Massachusetts; South Hero, Vermont.

Main entry:

Wells, George Frederick, 1878-1958. Papers, 1900-1958.

Cross references to main entry:

Butterfield, Kenyon L	Columbia County (rural churches)
Davis, Staley F	Delaware County (rural churches)
Dawber, Mark	Dutchess County (rural churches)
Eastman, Edward Roe, 1885-1970	Greene County (rural churches)
Gilbert, George B	Massachusetts (Tyringham)
Hills, Joseph L	Vermont (South Hero)
Israel, Henry, 1877-	Churches (Methodist)
Landis, Benson Y	Churches (rural)
Pearson, John M	Clergy (Methodist)
Rich, Mark	Education (religious)
Sanford, Elias B., 1843-1932	Religion (theological studies)
Vogt, Paul I	Sermons
Waugh, Frank A	
Williamson, Ralph	
Country Church Movement	
World War II (soldiers' letters)	

Boxes 1-16 are 4" boxes; 17-18 are 16".

George F. Wells Papers

Boxes 1-16 are n.s. 4"

" 17&18 are 16"

Revised box numbers, 12-68:

Box 1 - Correspondence, 1900-1940

Box 2 - Correspondence, 1941

Box 3 - Correspondence, 1942

Box 4 - Correspondence, 1943

Box 5 - Correspondence, 1944-1945

Box 6 - Correspondence, 1946-1958

Box 7 - same contents as on the orig. listing

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Box 9 - same " " " "

Box 10 - same " " " "

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Box 13 - same " " " "

Box 14 - same " " " "

Box 15 - formerly Box 1

Box 16 - combination of misc. material formerly in Boxes 5 & 6

Box 17 - same contents as on the orig. listing

Box 18 - same " " " "

Box 1:

- (1) Looseleaf binder: "High School" -- Index to Rev. Wells' sermons by subject, also lists no., title, and text.
- (2) Folder: "Correspondence - Old" -- [J.K. put these papers in the folder; these papers are not Wells] contains:
 - Church programs
 - Book and magazine mail advertising
 - Newspaper clippings, mostly columns by George Mathew Adams
 - Church Pamphlets and Tracts
 - Two Pamphlets on "Atlantic Union"
 - Two Pledge Cards
 - Calling Card "Rev. Lincoln MacKenzie"
 - Membership Card for G.F.W. for League of Vermont Writer Valentine
 - Facsimile Title Page of Zion's Herald of 9 January 1823 -
"The Federated Churches of Lincoln, Vermont. Articles of Amalgamation"
 - Reprint: "The Last Best Hope of Earth: An Interview with the Vice-President of the United States by Frank S. Mead, Editor of the 'Christian Herald'"
 - "Appeal to Men in Service" by W.C.T.U.
 - "The Ten Commandments of Safety"
 - "Why I Go To Temple" by Samuel B. Finkel
 - Scraps
- (3) Folder: "Business" -- a handful of receipts, 1 invoice, etc.
- (4) Folder: "Newspaper Clippings" concerns:
 - Sesquicentennial of Columbia Co., N.Y.
 - Scouting
 - Boys in the Service to whom he wrote
 - Church Unity
 - Country Life
 - Country Life Leaders, obituaries
 - etc.
- (5) Folder: "Mimeo Material" concerns:
 - Scouting (mostly)
 - Red Cross
 - Ground Observers' Corps
 - Agricultural Missions Foundation
 - Methodist Rural Fellowship
 - etc.
- (6) Pamphlet (mimeo Ts.) "Report of Child and Family Committee"
- (7) Folder: "G.F.Wells" -- contains: Ts.cc. "The Board of Sunday Schools Extension Department Annual Report of the Eastern Division New York, New York East and Newark Conferences"
- (8) Folder: "Children" -- contains: notes and clippings pertaining to the religious education of children, radio sermon on the same subject.

Box 1:

- (9) Black Looseleaf Notebook -- contains misc. clippings, notes, programs, scratch paper, and transcript of radio talk.

Box 2:

- (1) Letters-- mostly letters (some postcards and Christmas cards), correspondence with servicemen, their letters and frequently carbons of his replies, occasional clipping, church program, or picture. States he writes to about 60 men [probably more than that --J.K.] 1940-45, not in order, still in envelopes. [to be interfiled]

Box 3:

- (1) Letters -- H.R. Barlow, most faithful correspondent. James J. Hardie most literate among servicemen, along with Raymond Roberts. Occasional letters, to and from chaplains and ministers. 1941-44, not in order, still in envelopes. [to be interfiled]

Box 4:

- (1) Letters -- 4" x 6" card file with the names of all military correspondents entered on them; 3" x 5" card file with names and addresses of all military correspondents. 1940-45, not in order. [to be interfiled] One set almost duplicates the other set exactly.

Box 5:

- (1) Folder: "Carbon copies of Rev. Wells' letters to servicemen" -- The folder contains letters as mentioned clippings about the soldiers pasted to looseleaf paper. Not in order. [to be interfiled]
- (2) Folder: -- contains newspaper clippings from Windham Journal concerning churches, town history, and obituaries.
- (3) Looseleaf binder: -- contains mimeo of Wells' M.A. thesis, U. of Vermont: The Social Problem of the Country Church
- (4) Folder (blue): -- contains mimeo of Echoes From a Country Parish by Sanford Faulkner Boardman.
- (5) Scrapbook kept in volume entitled "Epworth League Notebook" clippings, notes, etc, concerning the league.

Box 6:

- (1) Folder: "Ministerial Ethics" -- contains Ms of "A Minister and His Predecessors Critique of Ministerial Ethics" by Rev. Horace Hoffman. Letters between them in the year 1934.
- (2) Folder: "Israel" -- contains letters of 1937, to and from and concerning Henry Israel of the National Council of the Y.M.C.A. [to be interfiled]
- (3) Folder: "Dawber" -- contains letters of 1937-38, to and from Rev. Mark A. Dawber of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Episcopal Church. [to be interfiled]

Box 6:

- (4) Folder: "Correspondence Current" -- contains letters of 1941 to and from various ministers for information on the Country Life Movement. [to be interfiled]
- (5) The Pastor's Journal Nov-Dec. 1950. Periodical (one issue)
- (6) Scrapbook pages with newspaper clippings related to the serviceman and religion, also many copies of prayers.
- (7) New York Libraries (quarterly) April, 1912.
- (8) Pamphlet: "The Church and Veterans" -- contains findings and speeches of Bishops' Conference with Returned Veterans, Columbus, Ohio, July 4-5-6-7, 1946
- (9) Scrapbook (black) : "Women's Foreign Missionary Society Leader's Workbook" -- carbons of letters to servicemen, 1942-45; occasional clippings; and three issues of the "Messenger". [to be interfiled]
- (10) Folder: "My First 100 Sermons" -- contains Church Management, Dec. 1937, and Ms. of "My First 100 Sermons"
- (11) Folder: "Engineering" -- contains Ms. of "The Rural Church and Social Engineering."

Box 7:

- (1) "Correspondence - Status of Rural Vermont": -- contains letters (1903-06) to and from Joseph L. Hills, of U. of Vermont concerning the publication of his senior thesis "Status of Rural Vermont" and to and from Kenyon L. Butterfield of Carnegie Institute concerning work Wells did for C.I. [to be interfiled]
- (2) Scrapbook contains newspaper and religious journal clippings 1898-1921.
- (3) Folder: "Wells, G.F., Mss." -- contains sermons, articles, stray pages and notes.
- (4) Folder: ~~"The Unity, Federation, and Correlation of Christian Forces"~~ "Report of Rev. G. Frederick Wells on the Correlation of Christian Forces" -- contains manuscript of A Report submitted in response to the request of the Business Committee of the Federal Council, made by their Meeting held in New York, April 12, 1911
- (5) Folder : "How to Build Up the Small Country Church. Submitted to the Homilectic Review Dec. 2, 1914" -- contains several drafts.
- (6) Folder* "Church Comity and Domestic Missions in Vermont" -- contains Ms. (several drafts of it).
- (7) Folder: "Institutional Churches" -- contains Ms. of "The Institutional Church in History" and Ms. of "The Literature of the Country Church Movement."

Box 7:

- (8) Ms.: "9,555 Parish Calls: A Preliminary Study."
- (9) Black Looseleaf Notebook: "9,555 Parish Calls: A Preliminary Study"
-- contains correspondence of 1912, 1917, 1921, 1935, 1939, 1941
and misc. including letters of recommendations for Rev. Wells, letters
to ministers, etc., notes, newspaper clippings, medical form, etc.
[to be interfiled]

Box 8:

- (1) Notebook: "Administration of Church Music"— contains clippings, notes, and programs
- (2) Notebook: "G.F.Wells. Windham D.V.B.S.— Daily Vacation Bible School; list of contributions, bills, programs, clippings, notes, etc. [2]"
- (3) Notebook: with picture of Scout pasted on the cover; notes on Scout troops, clippings, tellers, bills.
- (4) Notebook: "Play"— contains game instruction, articles and clippings.
- (5) Notebook (maroon)— notes on art, clippings.
- (6) Brown notebook; "Compositions"— sermon notes, articles, pamphlets.
- (7) International Journal of Religious Education. Oct. 1932.

Box 9:

- (1) Folder: "Wells, George Frederick, 'The Rural Church on Community Service'" [2 copies of it.]
- (2) Folder: "Wells, George Frederick, Report of Daily Vacation Bible School at Windham" 31 July 1930 [2 copies reprinted from Windham Jour.]
- (3) Folder: "Church Comity Lecture Notes"
- (4) Folder: "A Select Bibliography on the Country Church"
- (5) Folder: "The Federated Churches of Lincoln, Vermont. Article of Amalgamation" [2]
- (6) Folder: "Church Federation Facts" Nos. 1, 2, 3. [2 each]
- (7) Folder: "Christian Unity in Fact and Practice"
- (8) Folder: "An Answer to the New England Church Question" by Wells
- (9) Folder: "Vermont and the Rural Churches" by Wells
- (10) Folder: "Rural Exodus and Social Progress, 1903. Commencement Address"
- (11) Folder: "Rural Exodus and Social Progress, 1906. Unpublished Article" different from 1903. Rejection notice from Popular Science.
- (12) Folder: "Origin of the Country Church Movement" Ms.
- (13) Folder: "Country Life Commission of California" [to be interfiled] letter 15 Jan. 1914 from Rufus R. Wilson. Humboldt Chamber of Commerce.
- (14) Pamphlet: "A Social Survey for Rural Communities". pamphlet by Wells, 1911.

Box 9 (con't):

- (15) Folder: Letter dated 6 Nov. 1941 from W. A. Anderson, Cornell, returning manuscript.
- (16) Folder: "Old Home Day" [to be interfiled] → Letters and news clipping, regarding "Old Home Day" at various parishes.
- (17) Folder: "Persons Rural Leaders" → Letters 1915-50, clippings, notes and misc. [to be interfiled]
- (18) Folder: "Home Missions Council" "Town and Country Committee", carbon of letter written 11 Jan. 1938. [to be interfiled]
- (19) Folder: "Ralph Williamson" - Letters to and from Ralph Williamson [to be interfiled] on the Rural Church Institute - 1951, 1953. the Rural Fellowship, Summer 1951.
- (20) Folder: "Landis" - Letters to and from Benson Y. Landis, The Home Missions Council 1937-38, programs, etc. [to be interfiled]
- (21) Folder: "Larger Parish" - mimeo notes on the subject.
- (22) Folder: "God's Rural Chores" - cc. Ts. "God's Rural Chores" by Wells. [to be interfiled] → Letters to and from Rev. John M. Pearson of the New York Conference, 1939-41; issue of Delaware County 4th Club News; news release 20 April 1941; U.S.D.A. Extension Service Circular 351, March 1941.
- (23) Folder: "Rural Preaching Mission" - notes, clippings, pamphlets, form letters 1936-37.
- (24) Folder: "Dates" - notes, form letters on rural church movement.
- (25) Folder: "Lord's Acre Plan" - reprint issue of Farmer's Federation News, March 1946, pamphlet on above subject.
- (26) Folder: "Rural City of God" - notes on subject, church program. letter to "Dear Oscar", [probably his brother] written on 24 August 1941. [to be interfiled]
- (27) Folder: "Hewitt" - letters 1940-41 to Arthur, Oscar and Lucy. [to be interfiled].
- (28) Folder: "Rural" - Two copies of The Pastor's Journal, March, 1935 containing "A Minister and His Predecessors" by Wells. Letter, 26 Feb., 1938, from Thomas Alfred Tripp, Board of Home Missions of Congregational Church. clippings, church program, 3 letters [to be interfiled]
- (29) Folder: "Programs" - programs, form letters, announcements [to be interfiled]
- (30) Mimeo Ts. by Wells: "The New England Country Church Question"

Box 9 (con't):

- (31) Folder: "W. L. Anderson and Prof. Frank A. Waugh"--notes, biographical material on W. L. Anderson. Letters to and from Frank A. Waugh of Mass. A. C. 1937. [to be interfiled]
- (32) Looseleaf Scrapbook (black)--contains clippings, notes, programs, an occasional letter [to be interfiled] mostly pertaining to history of local parishes.
- (33) Sion's Herald : the issues of March 11, 18, 25, 1953 and of April 1 and 8, 1953. clippings have been removed.

Box 10:

- (1) cc. Ts.: The Church and Rural America by Wells.
- (2) Letters: letters [to be interfiled], papers, and clippings pertaining to James Weed, one of his servicement correspondents.
- (3) cc. Ts: "Ministerial Ethics and the Christian Funderal" by Wells.
- (4) Ms.: "The War and the Country Churches"
- (5) cc. Ts. : list of scriptural passages.
- (6) Ms.: "Criteria by Which to Identify, Classify and Evaluate Programs Projects in Country Church Work"
- (7) Ms.: "Creative Ideas for the Country Church"
- (8) Ms.: "Five Years in a Country Parish", news clipping.
- (9) Ts. mimeo: "The Kingdom of Christ among Men"
- (10) Ts. mimeo: Questionnaire entitled "Church Federation and the Smaller Denominations".
- (11) Ms.: "Sir Horace Flunkett by C. J. Galpin"
- (12) Folder: "Rev. George B. Gilbert" 1940-41. Letters [to be interfiled] to and from Rev. George B. Gilbert; clipped reviews of Gilbert's books - Forty Years a Country Preachers.
- (13) Folder: "'You Ought to Know'". material on dating the Country Church movement.
- (14) Carbon paper box containing mostly letters to and from people who like his poetry 1953-57. [to be interfiled]
- (15) Letters [to be interfiled] and Ms. pages concerning Well's attempt to write a book for children. clippings, too.
- (16) cc. Ts.: "How With Children?" by Wells
- (17) cc. Ts.: "Helping the Children" by Wells

Box 10 (cont):

- (18) Letters to and from relatives and friends, 1946-47, mostly concerning a book he is writing on religious education for children [to be interfiled]
- (19) mimeo Ts.: "Religious Nurture Within The Family". A Series of Seven Broadcast V. Guiding Children in Prayer not by Wells.
- (20) Ts.: "By-Laws of Township Health Committee"
- (21) The Christian Advocate, May 8, 1947.
- (22) mimeo Ts.: "Message of Israel" 16 Feb. 1947. by Rabbi James G. Heller.
- (23) Ms.: "Talking it Over With Children" by Wells.
- (24) Ts.: "Talking it Over With Children" by Wells.
- (25) Ts.cc.: "A Study of the Efficiency of the County Work of the Young Men's Christian Association" by Wells, 1908.

Box 11:

- (1) Folder: "Anthony Vogt, 1937" -- contain pamphlets: (1) "The Size of the Rural Parish" by Ralph A. Fenton; (2) "The Salary of Rural Pastors" by Ralph A. Fenton; (3) "The Rural Church at Worship"; programs. Letters [to be interfiled] to and from ministers mostly, 1937, some 1941. Letter from Heber J. Grant, autograph of Mormon President, dated 1937.
- (2) Folder: "Hyde, William DeWitt - Impending Paganism in New England" -- contains mimeo Ts. inside.
- (3) Folder: "Carnegie Institution of Washington Office of Publications" --reprint from 1937 catalogue of publications. Letters to and from Carnegie Institute, 1937.
- (4) Pamphlet: "A Guide to the Literature of Rural Life" comp. by Benson Y. Landis.
- (5) Pamphlet: "Buck Creek Parish"
- (6) Folder: "New England Country Church Association" -- contains Proceedings of above for Jan. 18 and 19, 1909, and Papers read at meeting in March 13 and 14, 1911.
- (7) Ts.cc.: "Are 'Union Churches' Advisable" by Wells [2 copies]
- (8) Ts.cc.: "The Need of Church Federation in Vermont" by Wells
- (9) Ts.cc.: "The Country Life Movement in New England"

Box 11 (con't.):

- (10) mimeo Ts.: "Some Work in the Methodist Church, Lovington, Illinois" by Charles Simeon Lyles.
- (11) mimeo Ts.: "The Uniting of Churches - Does it Pay" by Wells
[2 copies]
- (12) cc. Ts.: "The Problem of the Rescue Mission" [2 copies]
- (13) Folder: "Minister and his Predecessors"-contains Ts. of "A Minister's Duty to his Predecessor". notes, letters 1934.
- (14) Folder: "E. B. Sanford" Letters [to be interfiled] to and from and about E. B. Sanford 1916, 1922-23.
- (15) MS.: "Who Are We?"
- (16) Ts.: "Country Community Protection"
- (17) Folder: "Successful Rural Churches"- Ts. "The First Church of Collegeport, Texas" by Rev. Murray A. Travis. Ts. "God's Handiwork" by Rev. J.G. Merrill
- (18) mimeo Ts.: "The Christian Church at Clifton, Colorado" by Rev. Clark Bower, Minister. Ts., "The Scotch Ridge United Presbyterian Church" by Rev. James O. Ashenhurst.
- (19) mimeo Ts. "An Exclusive Church Rebaptized" (author's name obliterated).
- (20) Folder: "Country Church and County Church" -Ts. "The Country Church and the County Work" [3 copies]
- (21) Folder: "Better Country Churches" - Ts.
- (22) Ms: "The Successful Rural Minister"
- (23) The Pulpit, Dec. 1944
- (24) Ms.: "The Profit Motive"
- (25) cc. Ts. "A Minister and the Predecessors" by Wells
- (26) cc. Ts. "A Preliminary Survey of Philadelphia in Behalf of Inter-Church Federation" by Wells, 1910.
- (27) cc. Ts.: "A Five Year Program for a Small Town Church..." by Wells.
- (28) Folder: "George Frederick Wells"- mimeo Ts: "The Christian Church" by Wells. Drew Theological Seminary, 1906.
- (29) Folder: "Democracy". Ts. "Democracy" by Wells. Letters [to be interfiled] to and from E. R. Eastmen of the American Agriculturist. Ms. "Subsistence Farming".

Box 11 (cont):

- (30) Folder: "How We Are Working At Tyringham".-Ts. "How We are Working at Tyringham" by Wells.
- (31) Folder: "Biography Personal" containing carbon copy letters [to be interfiled] to Rev. Staley F. Davis, Board of Sunday Schools, Dec. 1922. Assorted biographical note and fragments papers, notes, lists, form letters, pamphlets, etc. relating to the Boy Scouts.
- (32) Folder: "Catskill-Hudson Area Interdenominational Rural Church Conference" papers relating thereto.
- (33) Ms.: Untitled, 1 Aug. 1937.

Box 12:

- (1) Folder: "Germantown, New York Church Records" [to be interfiled] Letters, 1935, to and from concerning salary difficulties.
- (2) Ts.: "The Church As a Society" unsigned.
- (3) Ts.: "The Religious Phase of the Rescue Mission Problem" by Wells.
- (4) "The Glory of Athletics" unsigned
- (5) Ts.: "Pastoral Evangelism" by Wells.
- (6) Ms.: "Where is Heaven" by Wells.
- (7) Ts.: "The Christian Doctrine of Justification and Reconciliation by Albrecht Ritschl" by Wells.
- (8) Ts.: "Helping Children Find God" by Wells.
- (9) Folder: "Helping the Children. Submitted to the Free Press"- Feb. 6, 1947. Ms. inside.
- (10) Folder: "New England Country Church Question" Ts. inside by Wells.
- (11) Ms.: "A Country Minister Surveys the Field"
- (12) Papers, notes, clippings, catalogues, regarding First Aid and Safety.
- (13) Folder: "Is an Organized Country Life Movement Possible". containing Ts.: "The Country Minister Knowing His Parish" and Ts.: "The Country Pastor and Play" by Wells
- (14) Folder: "Answering an Ultimate Question" by Wells
- (15) Ts.: "One Way to Solve the Rural Church Problem"
- (16) Ms.: "Measuring the Country Church Movement"

Box 12 (con't):

- (17) TS.: "The Status of the Individual in the Church of the Middle Ages"
- (18) TS. I. "Ministerial Ethics and the Christian Funeral" [2 copies]
- (19) TS.: "The Rural Community Church" by Wells
- (20) TS.: "Echoes from a Country Parish" by Sanford Faulkner Boardman.
- (21) Mimeo TS.: "The Minister's Message to the Rural People" by Wells.
- (22) TS.: "Report on Study of New York City Missions"
- (23) Folder: "Dawber, Mark A. Must We Revise Our Rural Ideals and Our Rural Life Program?" - mimeo Ts. inside.
- (24) Ts.: "The Life Work of Professor A. V. G. Allen.. as Influenced by his Early Environment."
- (25) Ts.: "The Status of the Individual in the Early Church" by Phil. P. Jacobs
- (26) "A Study in Local Church Federation" by Wells. Ts.
- (27) Ts.: "Review and Introduction"
- (28) Ts.: "A Macedonian Cry"
- (29) Ts.: "Called to Account" [2 copies]
- (30) Ts.: "A Call to Standardness" [2 copies]
- (31) Ts.: "Learning Things First Hand"
- (32) Ts.: "Among the Hills"
- (33) Ts.: "Possibilities. I. Among the Hills"
- (34) Ts.: "Lincoln"
- (35) Ts.: "A Dirge"
- (36) Ts.: "Echoes from a Country Parish...I. A Challenge"
- (37) Pamphlet: "The Signs of the Times" by Rev. Louis V.S. Hatton
- (38) Folder: "History of Church Movement" notes on above rural movement.
- (39) Ts.: [redacted] jokes (2 pp.)
- (40) Folder: "Retired Preachers. What a Retired Preacher Does" contains rough drafts of article "What do Retired Ministers Do?"; clipping from Vermont Alumni News Nov. 1949; program; Pension Progress, July, 1950; pamphlet, The Retired Minister by Wm. J. Thompson

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J. Kanahale's Notes on the George F. Wells Papers:

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Box 12:

(40 - a) Folder: "Typist Portfolio" -- contains rough drafts and notes for "The Minister's Message to the Rural People", "Scouting in the Country Church Program"

Box 12 (con't):

- (41) Picture of group of men, unidentified and signed by W. W. Watson
- (42) Picture of the Cornell Summer School for Town and Country Ministers, Wells identified, 1926-1940.
- (43) Pamphlets: "1803-1903, Centennial of the Old First Congregational Church, Windham New York; Windham Journal Print, 1903; *Pulled, placed in mss. file + catalogued separately K, J., 4-27-65.*
- (44) Pamphlet: "The History of the Old Church with Shorter Histories of the Daughter Churches of Windham, Jewett, and Ashland, 64 pp.
- (45) Pamphlet: "The Book of Remembrance" - history of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Treadwell, New York. [1931?] 13 pages of text and pictures and 45 pages of advertisements at the end. *Pulled, placed in mss. file + catalogued separately, K, Jackson, 4/27/65.*

Box 13:

- (1) Black Scrapbook entitled "Compositions", but containing clippings pasted in [1907-1932] and notes primarily concerning weekday Bible School.
- (2) Ms.: "The Pastor Evangelist"
- (3) Notes on "Francis Asbury"
- (4) Notes on Luther's funeral
- (5) Ms.: "Between Ministers"
- (6) Ms.: "A Second Word to Ministerial Associations"
- (7) Ts.: "You Ought to Know" [2 copies]
- (8) Notes, etc., on Church Federation
- (9) Scriptural quotations and clippings, poetry (original and otherwise) some of it clippings, prayers - original and otherwise.
- (10) Country Church Movement notes, rough drafts, questionnaires, ~~printed~~ mimeo bibliographies, price lists, and other material
- (11) Papers from his stint with the Ground Observer Corps, Albany Air Defense Region.
- (12) Notes, odd pages, etc., probably from sermon preparation.
- (13) Newspaper clippings, programs, advertising pamphlets, other odd printed matter.
- (14) Town and Country Church, May, 1953
- (15) Ts.: "How One Country Pastor Did Community Work" by Wells

Box 14:

- (1) Folder: "Federal Council" containing Ts. and Ms. copies of Wells' poetry
NOTHING ON FEDERAL COUNCIL

Box 14 (con't):

- (2) Ts.: "The Social Problem of the Country Church" by Rev. Wells
[1906] 154 pp.
- (3) Mimeo Ts.: "Community Leadership: A Course in Social Engineering for Village and Country Communities Prepared for the State Executive Committee of the Young Men's Christian Associations of New York 1914"
- (4) Sermons - labelled in numbered ~~envelopes~~ ^{envelopes};
 - 74. "Not Forsaken God's Care of the Aged."
 - 87. "Mountain Peaks"
 - 88. " "
 - 89. " "
 - 91. "This Grand Display of God"
 - 92. "The God of Elijah"
- (5) Other ~~envelopes~~ ^{envelopes}, unnumbered:
 - "The Country Church, Lecture Notes"
 - "What the First American Methodists Stood For"
 - "The Country Church and Social Service, The Gospel of the Kingdom"
 - "How to Organize a Church Federation"
 - "How Two Country Churches Became One"
 - "Inter-Church Federation"
 - "The Needs of the Country Church"
 - "The Mission of Methodism in New England"
 - "The Survey-Idea in Country-Life Work" by L.H. Bailey, a pamphlet
- (6) Folder: "Anniversary Oleout?" [placed in this empty folder by J.K.] ^{Contains} scraps and fragments of sermons, articles, etc., scratch paper-- anything odd that does not form some recognizable whole.
- (7) Folder: contains New York Daily News of June 12, 1939 and clippings of the U.S. Visit of King George and Queen Elizabeth and a few on Roosevelt
- (8) Folder: contains references/recommendations for boys desiring to join Rev. Wells' Scout troop at Hyde Park
 - Ts.cc. "A Challenge"
 - Ts.cc. "In God's Country"
 - Ts.cc. "A Minister and His Predecessors"
 - Ts.cc. "The Minister's Message to the Rural People" [2 copies]
 - Ts. "Origin of the Country Church Movement"
 - Ms. "The Preachers in New York City"
 - Ms. "Nitrogen" --really on nitrogen, not a sermon, apparently (dated 26 Nov. 1900) done as a paper at the U. of Vermont
 - Ts.cc. "Why Not Christian Funerals"
 - Ts.cc. "Ministerial Ethics and the Christian Funeral"
 - Ts. bibliography of the Country Church Movement
 - Ts. "Decent Christian Burial condensed from the Forum" by "Marian J. Caste"

Box 15:

- (1) Letters in Envelopes. In chronological order by year - some undated
[to be interfiled]

Box 16:

- (1) Letters -- flat-filed (1900-1958) In chronological order by year - some undated. + E. B. Sanford letters: July 15, Sept. 18, 1922; Feb. 13, 1923; Feb. 26, 1931.

Box 17:

- (1) Book: Church Federation: Inter-Church Conference on Federation. Ed. Elias B. Sanford. New York: Fleming H. Revell Company, 1905.
- (2) Book: Butterfield, Kenyon L. The Country Church and the Rural Problem. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1909.
- (3) Book: Chapters In Rural Progress. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1908.
- (4) Book: Wilson, Warren H. The Church of the Open Country. New York: Missionary Education Movement of the United States and Canada, 1911.
- (5) Book: Community Study. New York: Missionary Education Movement of the United States and Canada, 1911.
- (6) Book: Taft, Anna B. Community Study For Country Districts. New York: Missionary Education Movement of the United States and Canada, 1912.
- (7) Book: Wells, George F. The Status of Rural Vermont. St. Alban's, Vermont: Vermont State Agricultural Commission, 1903.
- (8) Book: Blaine, James G. James A. Garfield: Memorial Address. Washington: Government Printing Office, 1882. Distributed 1/7/65 per KJ
- (9) Book: Sanders, Charles W. Sanders' New Speller, Definer and Analyzer. New York and Chicago: Ivison, Blakeman, Taylor, & Co., 1881. Distributed 1/7/65 per KJ
- (10) Periodicals: The Atlantic Monthly May, 1899. Saved for Rollin Lynde Hartt's article "A New England Hill Town", p. 712.
- (11) Periodicals: The North American Review Sept. 1907. Saved for Chas. A. Briggs' "The Great Obstacle to the Reunion of Christendom", p. 72.
- (12) Periodical: The Outlook, Saturday, August 18, 1906 containing "The Country Church and its Social Problem" by Wells.
- (13) Periodical: The Bibliotheca Sacra April 1907, containing the "New England Country Church Question" by Wells.
- (14) Periodical: The Homilectic Review, August 1909, containing "Writings on Practical Country Church Problems" by Wells
May 1906
- (15) August 1907 containing "The Country Church and the Making of Manhood" by Wells
July, 1908, containing "The Social Misfortune of the Rescue Mission" by Wells
July, 1909
June, 1911 containing "What Is Church Federation" by Wells
April, 1914, containing "How to Federate and Unite Country Churches" by Wells [2 copies]

Box 17 (cont):

- (14 cont) Periodical: The Homilectic Review: October 1915 -- containing "How to Build Up the Small Country Church" by Wells.
- (15) Periodical: Methodist Review: July-August, 1907 -- containing "What Our Country Churches Need" by Wells; November-December, 1912 -- containing "The Rural Church in Community Service" by Wells; November-December, 1915 -- containing "Efficient Church Union for Country Towns" by Wells.
- (16) Scrapbook (black) 1917-34: -- containing clippings, programs, notes, etc., mainly related to Sunday School. Photograph pasted to back cover.
- (17) Scrapbook (tan canvas) : "Church Federation" 1904-1910 -- containing newspaper clippings, magazine articles, principally by Rev. Wells, programs related to Church Federation and comity.
- (18) Scrapbook (tan canvas) binding: W 2 1909-1919, 1929 -- containing newspaper clippings, magazine article, principally by Rev. Wells, programs, notes, one letter, chiefly related to Church Federation and comity.
- (19) Group photograph: -- probably Cornell University Summer School for Rural Ministers 1926. Also attendance list.
- (20) Notebook: --picture pasted on cover, two men, one of which has Einstein-like hair. Contains drafts of letters, notes, clippings, 1933-35.

Box 18:

- (1) Diary: "A Line A Day" -- containing note from 1 January, 1905 to 5 March, 1909. a comparative record for five years with all same dates on same page. many gaps, very superficial.
- (2) Diary: "A Line A Day" -- containing notes from:
 1 Jan. 1911 - 16 June 1911
 17 May 1913 - 20 May 1913
 8 Mar 1914 - 18 May 1914
 6 Apr. 1917 - 31 Dec. 1917
 1 Jan. 1918 - 31 Dec. 1918
 1 Jan. 1919 - 31 Dec. 1919
 1 Jan. 1920 - 22 Dec. 1920
 1 Jan. 1925 - 31 Dec. 1925
 Many gaps within these inclusive dates. Note: 25 Jan. 1911, meets President Taft.
- (3) Diary: "1923" -- containing notes from 1 Jan. 1923 to 31 Dec. 1923.
 Many gaps.
- (4) Diary: "1924" -- containing notes from 1 Jan. 1924 to 30 Sept. 1924.
 Mostly blank

Box 18:

- (5) Diary: "National Diary 1926" -- containing notes from 1 Jan. 1926 to 31 Dec. 1926. Quite faithful, snapshot pasted in back.
- (6) Diary: "National Diary 1927" -- containing notes from 1 Jan. 1927 to 31 Dec. 1927. Quite faithful.
- (7) Diary: "National Diary 1928" -- containing notes from 1 Jan. 1928 to 31 Dec. 1928.
- (8) Diary: "National Diary 1929" -- containing notes from 1 Jan. 1929 to 31 Dec. 1929.
- (9) Diary: "National Diary 1930" -- containing notes from 1 Jan. 1930 to 31 Dec. 1930.
- (10) Diary: "National Diary 1931" -- containing notes from 1 Jan. 1931 to 31 Dec. 1931.
- (11) Diary: "National Diary 1932" -- containing notes from 1 Jan. 1932 to 31 Dec. 1932.
- (12) Diary: "National Diary 1933" -- containing notes from 1 Jan. 1933 to 31 Dec. 1933.
- (13) Diary: "National Date Book" -- containing notes from 1 Jan. 1934 to 31 Dec. 1934
- (14) Diary: "National Diary 1935" -- containing notes from 1 Jan. 1935 to 13 Jan. 1936.
- (15) Diary: "National Diary 1936" -- containing notes from 1 Jan. 1936 to 31 Dec. 1936
- (16) Diary: "National Diary 1937" -- containing notes from 1 Jan. 1937 to 31 Dec. 1937
- (17) Diary: "National Diary The Year 1938" -- containing notes from 1 Jan. 1938 to 21 Dec. 1937
- (18) Diary: "Date Book 1939" -- containing notes from 1 Jan. 1939 to 31 Dec. 1939
- (19) Diary: "Date Book 1940" -- containing notes from 1 Jan. 1940 to 31 Dec. 1940
- (20) Diary: "Date Book 1941" -- containing notes from 1 Jan. 1941 to 31 Dec. 1941
- (21) Diary: "Date Book 1942" -- containing notes from 1 Jan. 1942 to 31 Dec. 1942
- (22) Diary: "Date Book 1943" -- containing notes from 1 Jan. 1943 to 31 Dec. 1943.

Box 18:

- (23) Diary: "A Daily Record Compliments of I. A. Shaver Prattsville, N.Y." -- containing notes from 1 Jan. 1944 to 21 Mar. 1944.
- (24) Diary: "Desk Private Appointment Memoranda. Reminders. Diary. 1944" -- containing notes from 1 Mar. 1944 to 30 Dec. 1944.
- (25) Diary: "1945 Year Book" -- containing notes from 1 Jan. 1945 to 31 Dec. 1945.
- (26) Diary: "National Diary The Year 1946" -- containing notes from 1 Jan. 1946 to 31 Dec. 1946
- (27) Diary: "National Diary The Year 1947" --containing notes from 1 Jan. 1947 to 31 Dec. 1947
- (28) Diary: "National Diary The Year 1948" -- containing notes from 1 Jan. 1948 to 31 Dec. 1948
- (29) Diary: "National Diary The Year 1949" -- containing notes from 1 Jan. 1949 to 31 Dec. 1949
- (30) Diary: "Diary 1950" -- containing note from 1 Jan. 1950 to 31 Dec. 1950.
- (31) Diary: "Diary 1951" -- containing notes from 1 Jan. 1951 to 31 Dec. 1951
- (32) Diary: "National Diary 1952" -- containing notes from 1 Jan. 1952 to 28 Dec. 1952
- (33) Diary: "Year Book Appointment Reminders Memoranda 1953" -- containing notes from 1 Jan. 1953 to 31 Dec. 1953
- (34) Diary: "Daily Reminder 1954" -- containing notes from 1 Jan. 1954 to 31 Dec. 1954.
- (35) Diary: "Daily Reminder 1955" -- containing notes from 1 Jan. 1955 to 31 Dec. 1955.
- (36) Diary: "National Diary The Year 1956" -- containing notes from 1 Jan. 1956 to 31 Dec. 1956
- (37) Diary: "National Diary for 1957" -- containing notes from 1 Jan. 1957 to 30 Dec. 1957
- (38) Diary: "National Diary for 1958" -- containing notes from 1 Jan. 1958 to 7 May 1958 and
- (39) ~~Diary: "National Diary for 1958" -- containing notes from 1 Jan. 1958 to 7 May 1958 and~~ notes from 31 July 1958 to 10 August 1958 by Mrs. Wells