Collection Name: Oscar A. Tingelstad papers, 1899-1953

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Extent: 9.2 cubic feet (23 archives boxes)

Abstract: Correspondence, records, articles, reports, and account books of a Lutheran clergyman, educator, and author. Dr. Tingelstad was professor of psychology and education and registrar (1909-1928) and professor of philosophy and Bible (1944-1953) at Luther College, and president of Pacific Lutheran College (1928-1943).

Personal as well as professional correspondence runs throughout the collection and provides information on family affairs and on educational and professional careers of friends and colleagues. He defended the classical course of study in the colleges he served and in the main took a conservative stance on religious doctrine. Topics discussed are theory of evolution, liberal theology, rationalism in the church, curriculum development, church mergers, student recruitment, building programs and problems related to financing private colleges. In brief, his correspondence treats issues and problems prominent in college and church affairs during the first half of the twentieth century.

Manuscripts by Tingelstad: "The Historic Position of Lutheranism" (1927), "Registration Procedure and Preparation of Class Lists" (1927), "Academic Freedom and Tenure" (1939), "Brought up a Lutheran-But" (ca. 1945), "Thy Word is Truth" (1948), and "How Do Our Colleges Measure up to Present Day Educational Standards?" (1948). Meticulously kept, the account books contain detailed records of all correspondence and all personal financial transactions for the years indicated. See also correspondence with Mrs. Tingelstad, 1953-1955 in Archives contributions correspondence, NAHA Secretarial Records.

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1	2	Pacific Lutheran Academy, 1900-1902
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9	1-4	Reports and programs
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		Correspondence
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		University of Chicago
20	3	Reports and term papers, 1909-1912
20	4	Reports and term papers, 1913-1922
20	5	Articles, programs, reports, 1910-1951
21	1	Navy Yard, Bremerton, 1943-1944
21	2-5	Luther league correspondence and reports, 1911-1927
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21	6	Norwegian societies, 1910-1953
21	7	Reports on educational groups, 1930-1947
22	1-16	Record, correspondence and account books, 1893-1930
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