

Guide to

Henry R. Todd Papers

1931-1960 and undated, bulk 1941-1947

.14 linear feet

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Abstract: Primarily correspondence between a member of the Board of Dallas Theological Seminary and the President of the Seminary.

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Biographical Sketch:

Henry Rhine Todd was born February 5, 1863, in Jefferson, Texas. His parents were William Smith and Mary Sophia Ewell. He grew up in Baltimore, MD and Peoria, IL. Todd started working for the Chicago, Burlington, & Quincy Railway in 1878. He was general agent for that railroad in Nashville, TN, from 1889-1893. Later he held the same position in St. Louis, MO. Todd made a few moves through the years and returned to St. Louis when he retired.

Henry married Margret Grier of Peoria, IL, on January 1, 1896. They had one daughter, Ann McKinney. He was an elder of Memorial Presbyterian Church in St. Louis for many years. He received an honorary Doctor of Laws degree from Bob Jones University.

Todd served on the Dallas Theological Seminary (DTS) Board of Incorporate Members from 1925-1948, and served as the chairman of this Board from 1933-1948. He also served as a visiting Bible lecturer in 1935. Todd died November 7, 1951, in Columbia, MO. Academic Center I on the DTS campus was dedicated in 1974 and in 1989 was renamed The Henry Rhine Todd and Margret Grier Todd Academic Center. Margret Todd established a scholarship fund in her husband's name for tuition assistance.

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System of Arrangement

The Henry R. Todd Papers are divided into three series.

Series I. Correspondence, 1931, 1941-1950, and undated. .08 linear ft. (2 files)

Arranged chronologically. Letters between Henry R. Todd and staff of Dallas Theological Seminary (DTS).

Series II. Printed Material, 1940-1960 and undated. .05 linear ft. (2 files)

Arranged chronologically. Publications by DTS and other organizations.

Series III. Miscellaneous, circa 1942. .01 linear ft. (1 file)

Student statistics and proposed revisions to the DTS Constitution.

Scope and Content Note: This collection in five files consists primarily of correspondence and printed material about Henry R. Todd and Dallas Theological Seminary. It includes letters between Todd and Lewis Sperry Chafer, President of DTS. The correspondence mainly concerns Todd's service on the DTS Board of Incorporate Members.

Selected Search Terms:

Chafer, Lewis Sperry

Dallas Theological Seminary Board of Incorporate Members

Todd, Henry R.

Donor/Source: Julianne S. Fischer

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Related Material: Dallas Theological Seminary. President's Office Records. Lewis Sperry Chafer CN 031, File: Henry R. Todd. Chafer's Papers and Todd's Papers contain some duplicate copies, but each file has unique holdings.

Note to Researcher: See the attached Container List for more details about this collection.

Processing Information: The processor organized the papers by type.

Separated Material:

DTS Commencement programs for 1943 and 1945, and a commencement activities list for 1947.

added to CN 037 (Acc. 2006-43) Commencement Programs

Allis, Oswald T. "Modern Dispensationalism and the Doctrine of the Unity of Scripture."

The Evangelical Quarterly, January 1936.

added to the Special Collections Vertical /Pamphlet File

Container List**Series I. Correspondence, 1931, 1941-1950 and undated****File**

- 1 Correspondence, 1931 and 1941-1943.

Includes letters primarily between Lewis Sperry Chafer and H. R. Todd, including a copy of the revised DTS Constitution (February 26, 1942). Topics include Norman Harrison (letters dated April-May 1942) and business of the DTS Board of Incorporate Members.

- 2 Correspondence, 1944-1950 and undated.

Includes letters primarily between Lewis Sperry Chafer and H. R. Todd. Topics include Everett Harrison and Norman Harrison (letters dated March 1944), the accreditation of DTS by the State Education Department of the University of the State of New York (L. S. Chafer to Friends, April 14, 1944), Chafer's request that J. F. Walvoord be assigned "much executive responsibility" (L. S. Chafer to Members of the Board of Incorporate Members, August 2, 1945), and a report of harsh criticism of Chafer's book *True Evangelism* (J. F. Walvoord to H. R. Todd, October 10, 1945).

Series II. Printed Material, 1940-1960 and undated.

- 3 DTS Publications, 1940-1954

Includes a 1940-1941 catalog, 1947 and 1948 DTS Annual Reports of the President, various issues of the *Bulletin of Dallas Theological Seminary* dating from 1942-1951, and a 1952 program from the ground breaking for Chafer Chapel.

- 4 Miscellaneous Printed Material, 1960 and undated

Includes a biographical sketch of H. R. Todd by Ann McKinney Todd Rubey, a DTS doctrinal statement, brochure titled "D is for Different," and a memorial to Ella Loraine Chafer.

Series III. Miscellaneous, circa 1942

- 5 Miscellaneous, circa 1942

Includes enrollment data, graduation data, and a copy of the suggested revisions to the DTS Constitution.