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# WINTHROP UNIVERSITY LOUISE PETTUS ARCHIVES & SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

**MANUSCRIPT COLLECTION** 

# **ACCESSION 24**

# NOLAN PLINY JACOBSON PAPERS

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#### NOLAN PLINY JACOBSON PAPERS

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The papers of Nolan Pliny Jacobson, philosopher, educator, and former Winthrop faculty member, were received as a gift by the Archives on June 3, 1975.

Linear feet of shelf space: .25 Approximate number of pieces: 300

Restrictions: Open to researchers under the rules and regulations of the Louise Pettus Archives & Special Collections at Winthrop University.

Literary Rights: For information concerning literary rights please contact the Louise Pettus Archives & Special Collections at Winthrop University.

Notices were released to the following catalogs and journals: NUCMC on July 25, 1975. (See Collection control file for other notices.)

Scope and Content Note: The collection consists almost entirely of correspondence, but there are some related items, including publications. Most of the correspondence pertains to Dr. Jacobson's publishing activities, his attempt to organize conferences of Buddhist scholars and his professional relationship with philosophers. Some of the principal correspondents include Henry N. Wieman, John Dewey, Nyanaponika Mahathera, and Prince Sihanouk (see series description for additional correspondents.) The Archives collection contains biographical information on Dr. Jacobson.

Transfer of items: As part of the agreement, photocopies of Dr. Jacobson's correspondence with Henry N. Wieman (1948, 1953-1973) will be sent to the University of Southern Illinois. Title to the property and literary property rights will remain with Winthrop University.

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### **BIOGRAPHICAL DATA**

#### NOLAN PLINY JACOBSON

- 1909 Born, Hudson, Wisconsin
- 1930-1932 Student, University of Wisconsin
- 1936 Married Grace Webb
- A.B., Emory University
- 1942 B.D., Emory University
- 1943-1945 Chaplin, United States Navy
- 1946 Ph.D., University of Chicago
- 1947-1950 Associate Professor of Religion, Huntingdon College
- 1951-1954 Associate Professor of Religion, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL
- 1954-1974 Professor of Philosophy, Winthrop College
- 1974 Emeritus Professor of Philosophy and Religion, Winthrop University
- 1974-1979 Visiting Professor of Philosophy, Queens College, Davidson College and University of North Carolina at Charlotte
- 1987 Died, Adel, Georgia

(For additional information, see curriculum vitae, Box 1, Folder 1)

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## **DESCRIPTION OF SERIES**

Box(e	<u>s)</u> <u>Fol</u>	der(s) <u>Series</u>	<u>Year(s)</u>
1	1	CURRICULUM VITAE	nd
1	2-3	CORRESPONDENCE WITH HENRY WIEMAN Includes comments made by Wieman on book and articles published by Dr. Jacobson; communication concerning philosophical problems; publishing activities, and research plans of Dr. Wieman. In chronological order.	1948, 1953-1973, nd
1	4	CORRESPONDENCE WITH THE BUDDHIST PUBLICATION SOCIETY Mainly pertains to Dr. Jacobson's research plans and publishing activities, including the possibility of publishing through the Society. There is also communication concerning a conference proposed by Dr. Jacobson to bring together Buddhist scholars to consider ways of giving more creative direction to developmental problems of modernization. Most of the correspondence is with Nyanaponika Mahathera, leading Buddhists scholars and the Buddhists Publication Society in Ceylon. In chronological order.	1961-1974
1	5	CORRESPONDENCE WITH JOHN AND ROBERTA DEWEY Mostly concerns Dr. Jacobson's article "Marxism and Religions Naturalism," which is also included in this folder. There is also some comment on Wieman's philosophy. In chronological order.	1948-1949, 1960
1	6	CORRESPONDENCE CONCERNING THE AMERICAN PHILOSOPHICAL ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE Includes papers presented at the Conference. The subject of discussion was the "Faith of John Dewey." Most of the correspondence is with William S. Minor of the University of West Virginia. In chronological order.	1959, 1973-1974

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# **DESCRIPTION OF SERIES (cont.)**

Box(es	<u>)</u> Fold	<u>er(s)</u> <u>Series</u>	<u>Year(s)</u>
1	7	CORRESPONDENCE RELATING TO THE WORLD FELLOWSHIP OF BUDDHISTS Mainly relates to Dr. Jacobson's research plans, his publications, and his attempt to convene a meeting of Buddhist scholars. There is also communication relating to Buddhist philosophy. In chronological order.	1963-1967
1	8-10	CEYLON CORRESPONDENCE Mainly relating to Dr. Jacobson's research and publication plans. Most of the correspondence is with professors of philosophy at the University of Ceylon and include C.D.S. Siriwardene, K.N. Jayatileke, Neville Gunaratna, and Padmasitri de Silva. In chronological order.	1968-1974
1	11	SIHANOUK CORRESPONDENCE Concerns Dr. Jacobson's attempt to obtain support from Prince Sihanouk for a conference of Buddhist scholars to be held at Phnom Phen. In chronological order.	1968-1969
1	12	BARRY KENNAN CORRESPONDENCE In chronological order.	1967-1970
1	13	MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE Most of the correspondence concerns the transfer of some of Dr. Jacobson's papers, relating to John Dewey and Henry Wieman, to the University of Southern Illinois.	1968-1974
1	14	BURMA RESEARCH FILE Mostly newspaper clippings gathered during Dr. Jacobson's year of research at IIABS in Rangoon, Burma. In chronological order.	1961-1962