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## Winford H. Smith Collection

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## Collection Overview

**Extent:** 1.5 linear feet

**Creator:** Smith, Winford H. (1877-1961)

### Administrative/Biographical History:

Winford H. Smith

July 11, 1877-November 13, 1961

Winford H. Smith was born in West Scarborough, Maine. He received his A.B. from Bowdoin College in 1899 and his M.D. from the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine in 1903. After his internship and residency in gynecology at Lakeside Hospital in Cleveland, Smith served as medical superintendent of several large hospitals in New York and Connecticut. In 1911, he came to the Johns Hopkins Hospital to succeed Henry M. Hurd as superintendent (later called director). He held that post until 1946, when he became director emeritus. While at Johns Hopkins, Smith exerted an influence on hospital affairs throughout the United States, serving as a consultant in the planning and organization of the medical centers of Duke University, Cornell University, Vanderbilt University, Yale University, the University of Chicago, and the University of California. He served in both World Wars: assigned to the Hospital Division of the Surgeon General's Office in World War I, and serving as chairman of the government committee that advised on all matters of procurement and allocation of medical and surgical supplies during World War II. Smith was an early advocate for rehabilitation centers for the disabled, improvement of rural health care, and the development of medical insurance programs. He was a founding member of Blue Cross of Maryland.

**Chronology:** 1911-1946 - Johns Hopkins Hospital  
1911-1946 - Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine

### Scope and Content:

The Winford H. Smith Collection spans his career at Johns Hopkins. It includes correspondence, notebooks, certificates, and photographs. An album of letters and photographs presented to Smith upon his retirement is also included in the collection.

**Language:** English

**Related Archival Material Element:**

Additional Winford Smith material may be found in the records of the Johns Hopkins Hospital Office of the Superintendent.

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### Series 1: Documents related to Professional Appointments

#### Sub-series 1.1: Non-Hopkins Appointments

##### Folder 1/1: Lakeside Hospital - 1903-1908

**Extent:** 1 folder

**Subject - Name:** Cullen, Thomas Stephen, 1868-1953.  
Osler, William, Sir, 1849-1919  
Ranney, A.J.  
Rowe, George H. M.  
Welch, William Henry, 1850-1934.

##### Folder 1/2: Bellevue Hospital Appointment - 1909

**Extent:** 1 folder

**Subject - Name:** Clarke, T. Wood  
Devine, W. J.  
Hart, Samuel  
Howell, Thomas  
Mann, William O.  
Ranney, A.J.

##### Folder 1/3: General Letters of Recommendation from Arthur Warren - 1905-1908

**Extent:** 1 folder

##### Folder 1/4: Correspondence with William Osler, regarding World War I Service in United States Surgeon General's Office - 1919

**Extent:** 1 folder

##### Folder 1/5: Job Offer Not Accepted, Guthrie, George - 1908

**Extent:** 1 folder

#### Sub-series 1.2: Johns Hopkins Hospital

##### Folder 1/6: Congratulatory Letters on JHH Appointment - 1911

**Extent:** 1 folder

**Subject - Name:** Barker, Lewellys F. (Lewellys Franklin), 1867-1943.  
Bruere, Henry  
Clarke, T. Wood  
Cole, Rufus, 1872-1966  
Fisher, Irving  
Fuld, Leonard Felix  
Geraghty, John T.  
Goodrich, Annie W.  
Gould, W.  
Hart, Samuel  
Ingalls, P. H.  
Keidel, A.  
Moorhead, John J.  
Nutting, M. Adelaide (Mary Adelaide), 1858-1948  
Peters, John M.  
Ranney, A.J.  
Ross, Frederick A.  
Smith, A. W.  
Steiner, Walter Ralph, 1870-1942  
Washburn, Frederic A.  
Williams, J. Whitridge (John Whitridge), 1866-1931.

**Folder 1/7: Hurd, Henry - 1911**

**Extent:** 1 folder

**Folder 1/8: Education Policies Committee - JHH - 1926**

**Extent:** 1 folder

**Folder 2/3: Album - Retirement Reception of Dr. Winford Smith 3/29/1946 - 1946**

**Extent:** 1 folder

**Subject - Name:** Bachmeyer, Arthur C.  
Ball, Roberta L.  
Bowman, Isaiah  
Buerki, Robin C.  
Butler, Ida  
Firor, W.M.  
Flexner, Abraham, 1866-1959  
Glenn, John M.  
Goodrich, Annie W.  
Hamman, Mary Alice  
Houck, Frank M.  
Hurd, Eleanor  
Jackson, Catharine B. (Mrs. Richard N.)  
Johns Hopkins Hospital (JHH): Board of Trustees  
Johns Hopkins Hospital Visiting Clergy Service  
Johns Hopkins Hospital. Medical Board.  
Lawler, Elsie M.  
Lentz, C.S.  
Leone, Lucille Petry  
McClure, Roy D.  
Miller, Robert T.  
Moses, B.L.  
Muncie, Wendell  
Norman, K. H. Van Norman  
Packer, Sophie B.  
Pooler, Blanche  
Ransom, John E.  
Rutherford, E.  
Stewart, Isabel M.  
Taylor, Effie J.

**Folder 2/4: Album - Tribute to Dr. Smith on his retirement - April 1, 1946 - 1946**

**Extent:** 1 folder

**Subject - Name:** Johns Hopkins Hospital (JHH): Board of Trustees  
Johns Hopkins Hospital. Medical Board.  
Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine. Advisory Board of the Medical Faculty

**Sub-series 1.3: Certificates**

**Folder 1/9: Advisory Committee Dept. Public Welfare, Baltimore City - 1935**

**Extent:** 1 folder

**Folder 1/10: American Association of Hospital Consultants - 1948**

**Extent:** 1 folder

**Folder 1/11: American College of Hospital Administrators Honorary Fellowship - 1942**

**Extent:** 1 folder

**Folder 1/12: American Hospital Association Past President - 1916**

**Extent:** 1 folder

**Folder 1/13: Honorary Degree Bowdoin College, Sills, Kenneth - 1918**

**Extent:** 1 folder

**Folder 1/14: American Hospital Association Life Personal Member - 1928**

**Extent:** 1 folder

**Folder 1/15: American Hospital Association Trustee - 1935**

**Extent:** 1 folder

**Folder 1/16: War Production Board - 1944**

**Extent:** 1 folder

**Folder 1/17: Associated Hospital Service of Baltimore Inc - 1947**

**Extent:** 1 folder

**Folder 1/18: Honorary Doctor of Laws Degree, Johns Hopkins University - 1954**

**Extent:** 1 folder

**Subject - Name:** Reed, Lowell J. (Lowell Jacob), 1886-1966  
Rich, Arnold R. (Arnold Rice), 1893-1968

**Folder 2/5: Committee on Medical Care, State of Maryland - 1950**

**Extent:** 1 folder

**Folder 2/6: American Association of Hospital Consultants - 1952**

**Extent:** 1 folder

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**Series 2: Published Materials**

**Sub-series 2.1: Reprints by Smith**

**Folder 1/19: Address to Graduating Class Peter Bent Brigham Hospital - 1921**

**Extent:** 1 folder

**Folder 1/20: Adequate Medical Service for a Community - 1921**

**Extent:** 1 folder

**Folder 1/21: Educational Function of a Hospital (3 copies) - 1916**

**Extent:** 1 folder

**Folder 1/22: The Hospital Laundry (2 copies) - nd**

**Extent:** 1 folder

**Folder 1/23: Medical Aspects of the War - 1918**

**Extent:** 1 folder

**Folder 1/24: The Modern Hospital (2 copies) - 1931**

**Extent:** 1 folder

**Folder 1/25: New Outpatient Building, JHH - 1928**

**Extent:** 1 folder

**Folder 1/26: Relation of the Hospital to the Community (2 copies) - 1915**

**Extent:** 1 folder

**Folder 1/27: Training Schools and the Nursing Profession - 1924**

**Extent:** 1 folder

**Folder 1/28: What is Meant by Hospital Efficiency and Some of the Factors which are Often Responsible for Lack of Efficiency - 1916**

**Extent:** 1 folder

**Sub-series 2.2: Reprints by others**

**Folder 1/29: Hospital Organization and Management - 1915**

**Extent:** 1 folder

**Folder 1/30: Herald Angels Sing - 1939**

**Extent:** 1 folder

**Sub-series 2.3: Clippings**

**Folder 1/31: Miscellaneous Clippings - 1908-1956**

**Extent:** 1 folder

**Folder 1/32: Taft, William - 1908**

**Extent:** 1 folder

**Folder 1/33: Bellevue Hospital Problems - 1910**

**Extent:** 1 folder

**Folder 1/34: Diphtheria Epidemic - 1911**

**Extent:** 1 folder

**Folder 1/35: Hopkins Gift Makes School Without Peers - 1913**

**Extent:** 1 folder

**Folder 1/36: Queen of Belgium Visit - 1919**

**Extent:** 1 folder

**Sub-series 2.4: Programs**

**Subject -** American Therapeutic Society  
National Council of Trained Nurses of Great Britain and Ireland  
Yale College

**Folder 1/43: Programs - 1903**

**Extent:** 1 folder

**Scope and Content:** 1) Forth Annual Meeting American Therapeutic Society, January 11, 1903; 2) National Council of Trained Nurses of Great Britain and Ireland, undated; 3) Conferring of degrees at Yale College and Sheffield Scientific School, undated

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### Series 3: Photographs

**Folder 1/37: Drs. Nelson, Smith and Crosby - nd**

**Extent:** 1 folder

**Folder 1/38: Unknown Individuals - nd**

**Extent:** 1 folder

**Folder 1/39: Washburn, Frederic - nd**

**Extent:** 1 folder

**Folder 1/40: Ireland, M. W., Surgeon General USA - 1920**

**Extent:** 1 folder

**Folder 1/41: Tea in Honor of Winford Smith - 1946**

**Extent:** 1 folder

**Subject -** Crosby, Edwin L.  
Wolf, Anna Dryden

**Folder 1/42: Conferring of Honorary Law Degree JHU - 1954**

**Extent:** 1 folder

**Folder 2/1: Bowdoin College 1899 Graduates (?) (3 photographs) - 1899**

**Extent:** 1 folder

**Folder 2/2: Nurses from World War I (?) - nd**

**Extent:** 1 folder

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### Series 4: Material Evidence

**Artifacts Title:** Past President American Hospital Association

**Artifacts Number:** 8683A

### Artifacts