

GOODWIN, MELVIN H.

Melvin H. Goodwin papers, 1938-1991

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Creator: Goodwin, Melvin H.
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Abstract: The papers of epidemiologist, malaria researcher, and university professor, Melvin Harris Goodwin, consist of photographs, slides, reports, autobiographical and professional memoranda, scholarly research materials, and other items related to the life and career of this Emory University alumnus. Materials related to Goodwin's work at the Emory University Field Station at Ichauway Plantation in Baker County, Georgia comprise a large portion of the collection. The United States Public Health Service first operated Ichuaway Plantation as a research site, followed later by the the Office of Malaria Control in War Areas and its successor organizations, the Communicable Disease Center and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.
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Collection Description**Biographical Note**

Melvin Harris Goodwin, Jr., was an epidemiologist, malaria researcher, and alumnus of Emory University. Born on January 9, 1917 in Thomasville, Georgia, Goodwin enrolled in the University of Georgia, and from 1936 to 1938 worked intermittently for physician Roy A. Hill, treating malarious plantation workers throughout the Thomasville-Tallahassee region of Georgia and North Florida.

From October 1938 through the following spring, Goodwin worked as a laboratory technician with the Georgia Department of Public Health in Atlanta, where he assisted primarily in virological experiments. At the same time, Goodwin had been involved in the early planning of the Emory University Field Station at Coca-Cola executive Robert W. Woodruff's Ichauway Plantation in Baker County, Georgia. After learning of Hill and Goodwin's work near Thomasville, Woodruff expressed interest in further research on hookworm control, malaria epidemiology, and drug (atabrine) prophylaxis in the region. Beginning in April 1939, Goodwin served as a biologist and Assistant Director of the newly established Field Station, where he would remain in various capacities until 1957.

While research at the Emory University Field Station was briefly curtailed after the American entry into the Second World War, activities were expanded beginning in 1944, and Goodwin assumed further responsibilities during this period. In January 1944, he became a commissioned officer in the United States Public Health Service, occupying administrative roles in the Entomology division and Library and Reports division of the Malaria Control in War Areas (MCWA) unit in Atlanta. The MCWA was the predecessor organization of the Communicable Disease Center (CDC), now known as the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. In 1948, he returned to Newton, Georgia as chief of the Malaria Investigation Section of the CDC, charged with overseeing research at three field stations in malarious areas. He returned to Atlanta in 1953 as assistant chief of the Technology Branch and chief of the Ecology Section of the CDC.

Goodwin moved to Phoenix, Arizona in 1957 as chief of a newly developed CDC field station there. From 1966 to 1974, Goodwin was employed by the Arizona State Department of Health and the Arizona Health Planning Authority as an administrator. He took a position as Professor in the School of Medicine at the University of Arizona in 1977, where he remained until 1984. Goodwin died in 2004 at the age of 87.

Scope and Content Note

Papers include reports, memoranda, research materials and publications, photographs and slides, and personal and professional correspondence. Records predominately span the period

1939-1957 when Goodwin served in several positions at the United States Public Health Service, the Office of Malaria in War Areas, and the Communicable Disease Center, both in their Atlanta offices and at the Field Station in Newton, Baker County, Georgia. Collection also includes material predating Goodwin's 1939 association with the Emory University Field Station. In addition, the collection includes autobiographical materials mostly edited after Goodwin's 1984 retirement, lecture materials, and materials relating to international World Health Organization consultations. Material is organized in subject files; files labeled with personal names contain correspondence with and publications by that individual.

Arrangement Note

Arranged alphabetically in subject files.

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1	3	Course materials, lectures, syllabus (University of Arizona), circa 1977-1984
1	4	Dissertation: Doctor of Philosophy (Emory University), 1955
1	5	Durham, William E., 1966
1	6	Emory University Field Station—"Brief History," drafts and notes, 1941-1993
1	7	Emory University Field Station historical files, circa 1989-1991
1	8	Emory University Field Station, History of (draft), 1941-1991
1	9	Emory University Field Station visitors register, July 26, 1940-April 17, 1958
1	10	History of the CDC (chapters 1-5), circa 1990
2	1	History of the CDC (chapters 6-13), circa 1990
2	2	History of the CDC (chapters 14-20), circa 1990
2	3	History of the CDC (chapters 21-24, epilogue), circa 1990
2	4	Ichauway, 1954-1993
2	5	International Congress on Tropical Medicine and Malaria, June 1950
2	6	Lecture outlines: Plague, 1962
2	7	Malaria Research Foundation, 1938
2	8	Maps and Diagrams: Emory University Field Station, 1948-1950
2	9	Mohr, Carl O., 1977-1986
2	10	Mohr, Carl O. scholarly publications, 1943-1980
3	1	Odum, Eugene, 1980-1995
3	2	Petersen, Norm, 1982-1983
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3	6	Photographs: Emory University Field Station; R.A. Hill; M. H. Goodwin, 1938-1945
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3	22	Photographs: Ichauway Plantation, 1942; undated
3	23	Photographs: International research, circa 1960-1981
3	24	Photographs: Unidentified location near Ichauway, circa 1936-1942
3	25	Photographs: World Health Organization; National Institutes of Health, undated
3	26	Platt, Robert, 1992-1997
3	27	Pratt, Harry D., 1985

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| 4 | 1 | Publications: CDC Toxicology manuscripts, 1964-1966 |
| 4 | 2 | Publications: A.W. Fuchs, 1921-1923 |
| 4 | 3 | Publications: Winton Elizabeth Gambrell, 1937 |
| 4 | 4 | Publications: P.C.C. Granham, 1950-1952 |
| 4 | 5 | Publications: Index of publications from Phoenix Field Station, 1962 |
| 4 | 6 | Publications: John Edward Lane, 1954 |
| 4 | 7 | Publications: Malaria and war, 1917-1945 |
| 4 | 8 | Publications: Bayard H. McConnaughey, 1951 |
| 4 | 9 | Publications: Sh. D. Moshkovsky, 1961 |
| 4 | 10 | Publications: <i>New Mexico Malaria Control</i> , 1936 |
| 4 | 11 | Publications: Offprints, 1937-1963 |
| 4 | 12 | Publications: Offprints, 1964-1981, undated |
| 4 | 13 | Publications: Plague, 1962-1981 |
| 4 | 14 | Reinhard, Karl J., circa 1982 |
| 4 | 15 | Reports: Emory University Field Station, July 1944-August 1945 |
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| 4 | 17 | Reports: Emory University Field Station (quarterly), 1947 |
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| 5 | 4 | Reports: Emory University Field Station (quarterly), 1952 |
| 5 | 5 | Reports: Emory University Field Station (quarterly), 1953 |
| 5 | 6 | Reports: Emory University Field Station (quarterly and semi-annual), 1954 |
| 5 | 7 | Reports: Emory University Field Station (semi-annual), 1955 |
| 5 | 8 | Reports: Emory University Field Station (semi-annual), 1956 |
| 5 | 9 | Reports: Rockefeller Foundation, "Malaria and Malaria Eradication," 1959 |
| 5 | 10 | Rockefeller Archive Center, 1983 |
| 5 | 11 | Sammons, Jane, 1990-1995 |
| 5 | 12 | Slides: CDC advertisements and diagrams, circa 1945-1950 |
| 5 | 13 | Slides: CDC malaria research, circa 1985 |
| 5 | 14 | Slides: Diarrhea, circa 1960-1963 |
| 5 | 15 | Slides: Diarrhea; parasites; disease distribution, circa 1963 |
| 5 | 16 | Slides: Disease trends; association of pathogens, circa 1963 |
| 5 | 17 | Slides: Emory University Field Station, circa 1957 |
| 5 | 18 | Slides: Emory University Field Station; Baker County; Putney Pond, circa 1946 |
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| 6 | 3 | Slides: NASA, undated |

6	4	Slides: Plague, circa 1949-1964
6	5	Slides: Puerto Rico; St. Croix; Newton, GA, undated
6	6	Slides: Smith, Hugh, 1985-1989
6	7	Tall Timbers Research Station, 1989-1995
6	8	Thesis: Master of Science (University of Georgia), 1951
6	9-10	United States Public Health Service: <i>History of Malaria in the Public Health Service</i> , H. A. Johnson, 1949
7	1	United States Public Health Service: <i>History of Malaria in the Public Health Service</i> , H. A. Johnson, 1949
7	2	White, Paul C., 1990-1996
7	3	World Health Organization Consultations: Africa, 1956
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