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**SUMMARY:** An artificial collection of notes, lectures, student papers, scrapbooks, and writings relating to the study and teaching of the academic disciplines in the social sciences including economics, education, psychology, political science, philosophy, and sociology, 1866-1967. The papers of Charles Andrews Armstrong Bennett, Albert Bushnell Hart, Wilmon Henry Sheldon, Wilbur Marshall Urban, and Alfred North Whitehead are included.

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b. box  
f. folder

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## Administrative Information

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## Biographical / Historical

CHARLES A. A. BENNETT (1885-1930)

Charles Andrew Armstrong Bennett was born in Ireland in 1885. He received his B.A. from Queen's College, Oxford, in 1908, and his Ph.D. from Yale in 1913. He taught philosophy at Yale until 1929. In 1923 he published *A Philosophical Study of Mysticism* and in 1931 a series of his lectures was published under the title *The Dilemma of Religious Knowledge*. Bennett died in 1930.

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WILBUR M. URBAN (1873-1952)

Wilbur Marshall Urban was born in 1873, received an A.B. from Princeton in 1895 and a Ph.D. from Leipzig in 1897. He taught at various colleges, including Princeton and Dartmouth, and became professor of philosophy at Yale in 1931, where he was also chairman of the department. In 1941 he became professor emeritus. Urban died in 1952.

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ALBERT BUSHNELL HART (1854-1943)

Albert Bushnell Hart was born in 1854, received his A.B. from Harvard in 1880 and his Ph.D. from Freiburg, Baden, in 1883. He taught history and government at Harvard from 1883, becoming professor in 1897 and professor emeritus in 1926. He has written and edited numerous volumes on American history and government. Hart died in 1943.

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WILMON H. SHELDON (1875-)

Wilmon H. Sheldon was born in Newton, Massachusetts on April 4, 1875. He graduated from Harvard in 1895 from which he also received his M.A. in 1896 and his Ph.D. in philosophy in 1899. Sheldon taught philosophy at the University of Wisconsin, 1899-1900; Harvard, 1901-1903; Columbia, 1903-1905; Princeton, 1905-1909; and Dartmouth, 1909-1920, before coming to Yale, where he was professor of philosophy from 1920 and emeritus professor from 1943. Among his most important works are: *Strife and Systems and Productive Duality* (1918), *America's Progressive Philosophy* (1942), and *Process and Polarity* (1944).

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ALFRED NORTH WHITEHEAD, 1861-1947

Alfred North Whitehead was born at Ramsgate, England on February 15, 1861. He received his B.A. from Trinity College, Cambridge in 1884 and an M.A. in 1887. Whitehead lectured on mathematics at Trinity

College from, 1885 to 1911 and at the University of London from 1911 to 1924. In 1924 he joined the faculty of Harvard University as professor of philosophy, becoming emeritus professor in 1936.

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## **Scope and Contents**

The primary purpose of this register is to provide the researcher with a convenient guide to collections of manuscripts in the Sterling Memorial Library which, owing to their content or provenance, fall into the social science category, but which are too small to warrant separate descriptions.

For the present purpose "Social Science" has been broadly defined to include all those disciplines which were historically derived from Moral Philosophy in the mid-nineteenth century, together with certain related subject areas. Thus, the Philosophy and Social Science Manuscripts Group includes manuscripts relating to psychology, philosophy, education, law, economics, and political science. This group does not include manuscripts related to the humanities and the fine arts nor to those disciplines which derived from Natural Philosophy; those have been described separately in the guides to the Humanities and Fine Arts Manuscripts Group and the Natural Science Manuscripts Group respectively.

It should be re-emphasized that there are a number of separate large collections relating to philosophy and the social sciences that have been separately described and are not included in this register.

Consult the Chief Research Archivist, Manuscripts and Archives, for further information about all of these collections.

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## **Arrangement**

Arranged alphabetically by individuals whose papers are included in the collection.

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## Collection Contents

### CHARLES A. A. BENNETT

This group of papers consists almost entirely of notes on various philosophical topics, some of which were apparently taken while Bennett was a graduate student; others appear to be notes for his own lectures. There are also a few lectures on the philosophy of religion, two items of correspondence, copies of examinations, a few students' papers and some printed material relating to the first world war.

It should be noted that originally this material was mixed with, and so mistakenly identified as, that of Wilbur Urban, Bennett's successor at Yale (q.v.). That material which is dated or signed is almost certainly Bennett's, but it is possible that some of Urban's papers remain with Bennett's.

#### Correspondence

b. 1, f. 1	[Gamed?] S.R. English	undated
b. 1, f. 1	[Sevain?] Joseph (enclosing notes) English	1930

#### Philosophy - General

b. 1, f. 2	Course of study (clipping) [Introductory lecture?]	1914-1915
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#### Ethics

b. 1, f. 3	Assignments and bibliographies	1915-1920, undated
b. 1, f. 4	Clippings and pamphlets	1914-1919, 1923-1925, 1928 undated
b. 1, f. 5	Examinations	1910-1929
b. 1, f. 6-7	Examinations and questions	undated
b. 1, f. 8	Notes: Introductory, subjects A - B	1919-1924, undated
b. 1, f. 9	Notes: subjects C - D	1924-1927, undated
b. 1, f. 10	Notes: subjects E - L	[1919?] 1925, undated
b. 1, f. 11	Notes: subjects M - P	1919-1920, 1928, undated
b. 1, f. 12	Notes: subjects S - W, miscellaneous	1925-1929, undated
b. 1, f. 13	Students' papers	1916, 1922, 1925 1929, undated

#### History of Philosophy

## History of Philosophy (continued)

b. 1, f. 14	Miscellaneous notes and printed matter	undated
b. 1, f. 15	Examinations	1910-1926
b. 1, f. 16	Examinations and questions	undated
b. 2, f. 17	Notes: subjects A - E	undated
<u>History of Philosophy</u>		
b. 2, f. 18	Notes: subjects F - L	undated
b. 2, f. 19	Notes: subjects M - S, miscellaneous	1921-1922, undated
<u>Logic</u>		
b. 2, f. 20	Assignments, examinations and questions Newspaper clipping	1912, 1924, undated
b. 2, f. 21	Notes	undated
<u>Mysticism</u>		
b. 2, f. 22	Bibliographies	undated
b. 2, f. 23	Notes: outlines for seminar	undated
b. 2, f. 23	subjects B - H	[1914?] undated
b. 2, f. 24	Notes: subjects J - V, miscellaneous student paper	undated
<u>Philosophy of History</u>		
b. 2, f. 25	Bibliography	undated
b. 2, f. 25	Notes (including notes on lectures by W.E. Hocking)	1910-1911, undated
b. 2, f. 26	Papers and reports by C.A. Bennett	1910-1911
<u>Philosophy of Nature [Philosophy of Science]</u>		
b. 3, f. 27	Assignments	undated
b. 3, f. 27	Bibliographies	undated
b. 3, f. 27	Examinations and questions	1913-1914
b. 3, f. 28	Notes	undated
<u>Philosophy of Religion</u>		
b. 3, f. 29	Assignments and outline of course	undated
b. 3, f. 29	Bibliographies	undated
b. 3, f. 29	Examinations and questions	1910-1914, 1926, undated

## Philosophy of Religion (continued)

b. 3, f. 30	Lectures and outline notes	undated
b. 3, f. 31	Lecture notes	1913
b. 3, f. 31	Subjects B - O	undated
<u>Philosophy of Religion</u>		
b. 3, f. 32	Notes: on problems of religious knowledge	1912
b. 3, f. 33	Notes: miscellaneous	1913, undated
b. 3, f. 34	Reports and students' papers	[1911.] undated
b. 3, f. 35	Student paper, F.M. Meek. See also: <a href="#">Wilbur M. Urban</a>	undated
<u>Spinoza</u>		
b. 3, f. 36	Assignments, bibliographies, examination	undated
b. 3, f. 37	Notes See also: <a href="#">box 1, folder 14</a>	undated
<u>War</u>		
b. 3, f. 38	Newspaper clippings	1914-1915, undated
b. 4, f. 39	Newspaper clippings	1914-1915, undated
b. 4, f. 40	Notes on a speech by Norman Angell	1916
b. 4, f. 41-42	Pamphlets	1913-1915, undated
b. 10, f. 99	<i>Christianity and Contemporary Thought: Some Difficulties</i> 3 essays submitted for the J.A. Porter Prize English	1909
b. 10, f. 100	<i>The Value of Mysticism</i>	1923
b. 10, f. 101	Index to <i>The Philosophical Study of Mysticism</i>	



**WILBUR M. URBAN**

These papers contain a large number of papers written for Urban by his students, mainly on ethics and on Kant. There are also two items of correspondence and a book manuscript, *God and the Historians and Other Studies in the Philosophy of History*, written by Urban in 1949.

It should be noted that this material was originally mixed with the materials of Charles A. A. Bennett, Urban's predecessor at Yale (q.v.). Although the two groups of material have been separated as far as possible, some of Urban's material may still be in Bennett's papers.

Correspondence

b. 4, f. 43	from: Kujawa, Jan (enclosed writings) to: Otrander, Harry J.	1936
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Student Papers

b. 4, f. 44	Abercrambie, Dan	undated
b. 4, f. 44	Adelberg, A.	1936
b. 4, f. 44	Beach, Waldo	undated
b. 4, f. 44	"J.D." English	undated
b. 4, f. 45	Duce, Leonard A.	undated
b. 4, f. 45	Entberg, Barbara	undated
b. 4, f. 46	Eshleman, Martin	1938
b. 4, f. 47	Few, Lyne S.	1938
b. 4, f. 47	Finch, H.L.	1938
b. 4, f. 48	Gamley, John	1941
b. 4, f. 48	Harvey, Fred G.	1933
b. 4, f. 49	Lane, Elizabeth B.	1938-1939, undated
b. 5, f. 50	Lotspeich, R.	undated
b. 5, f. 50	McGarvey, John P.	undated
b. 5, f. 50	MacPartland, John	undated
b. 5, f. 50	Martin, Byrne	1940
b. 5, f. 51	Meek, F.M., Mitchell, W.M See also: <a href="#">Charles A.A. Bennett</a>	undated
b. 5, f. 52	Pope, Liston	1937-1938
b. 5, f. 53	Prowell, Clean F.	1939
b. 5, f. 53	Richardson, N.E.	1935

## Student Papers (continued)

b. 5, f. 54	Saltman, S.	1930
b. 5, f. 54	Stephens, R.G.	1934
b. 5, f. 54	Stuyard, Frederick	[1941?]
b. 5, f. 54	Thompson, W. McIlwaine	1941
b. 5, f. 54	Tseo, Ping-I	1940
b. 5, f. 55	Wiener, A.	undated
b. 5, f. 55	Williamson, James H.	undated
b. 5, f. 55	Wilson, Clyde D.	undated
b. 5, f. 55	Woyke, Drank H.	undated
b. 5, f. 56	Unidentified	undated
b. 5, f. 57	Fragment	undated
b. 5, f. 57	List of Students	undated

Writings

b. 6, f. 58	Book: <i>God and the Historians and Other Studies in the Philosophy of History</i> , Chaps I - V	1949
b. 6, f. 59	Book: <i>God and the Historians...</i> , Chaps VI - IX	1949

**ALBERT BUSHNELL HART**

These papers consist of a series of scrapbooks concerning various aspects of elections and voting behavior with the exception of one scrapbook pertaining to political corruption and some notes about the aldermen of New Haven. The material from the scrapbooks includes clippings from newspapers, magazines and books; pamphlets; and notes, papers, and reports by students. Among the student papers there are a few letters from Hart to students about their papers. Also in the papers are letters from Edward Gaylord Bourne (q.v.) concerning his book, *Spain in America*, published in the American Nation series which Hart edited.

b. 6, f. 60	Board of Aldermen of New Haven, description of.	undated
	<u>Elections</u>	
b. 6, f. 61	Bribery - penalties and remedies, clippings	undated
b. 6, f. 62	Campaign Funds: clippings, students' papers	1896-1897, 1900-1906, undated
b. 6, f. 63	Corrupt Practices Acts: clippings, pamphlets students' papers	1892, 1894, 1904-1906, 1911- 1917, undated
b. 6, f. 64	Corruption - illegal voting: clippings, pamphlet, students' papers	1903-1904, 1906, 1910, undated
b. 6, f. 65	Corruption of voters: clippings, pamphlet, students' papers	1886, 1889, 1892- 1894, 1904-1914, undated
b. 6, f. 66	Deals and Fusion: clippings, poster, student paper	1910-1922, undated
b. 6, f. 67	Expenses: clippings	1906-1907, 1910
	<u>Elections</u>	
b. 7, f. 68	Frauds - example in Chicago. Clippings, notes, student paper.	1898, 1914, undated
b. 7, f. 68	Supreme Court of Illinois: Allerton, Swift, et al. vs. Hopkins - brief for appellants, reply for appelent.	1895
b. 7, f. 69	Frauds - examples in Chicago (con'd) Supreme Court of Illinois: Allerton, Swift, et al. vs. Hopkins - abstract of record	1895
b. 7, f. 70	Intimidation: Clippings, pamphlets, students' papers	1896, 1904-1908, 1916, undated
b. 7, f. 71	Intimidation (con'd): pamphlet	1907
b. 7, f. 72	Participation of voters: clippings, pamphlet, students' papers	1887-1907, undated
b. 7, f. 73	Reforms: clippings and pamphlets	1908-1918, undated

## Elections (continued)

b. 7, f. 74	Suffrage: qualifications, tangible clippings, notes, students' papers	1920, 1890–1891, 1896, 1906, undated
b. 8, f. 75	Voting - Compulsory: Letter to Hart from Adams, Charles F.	1892
b. 8, f. 75	Clippings and notes	1891, 1915, 1918 undated
b. 8, f. 76	Voting: Counting of Votes. Clippings, Pamphlets, student paper	1892, 1896, 1906–1907, 1910–1916, undated
b. 8, f. 77	Voting: count of votes, recount: clippings, student paper	1906–1907, 1910, 1917, undated
b. 8, f. 78	Voting: Proportional: Clippings, Pamphlets, Student's Paper	1908-1920, undated
<u>Political Corruption</u>		
b. 8, f. 79	Instances of: clippings and pamphlet	1897, 1906–1915, undated
b. 8, f. 79a	Letters from Edward Gaylord Bourne	1902-1905
b. 8, f. 79b	Letters to Edward Gaylord Bourne	1902-1907
b. 8, f. 79c	Letters to Albert Bushnell Hart	1905-1914
b. 8, f. 79	Albert B. Hart's editor's introduction to <i>Spain in America</i> by Edward G. Bourne; memoranda and reprints	1904

**WILMON H. SHELDON**

This group of papers consists primarily of manuscript drafts of his books, *Rational Religion: The Philosophy of Christian Love*, published in 1962, and *Sex and Salvation*, published in 1955. In addition, there are a few notes on religion and metaphysics and an article on Sheldon's philosophy by Peter H. Hare.

Articles

b. 9, f. 80	"W. H. Sheldon's Philosophy of Polarity: A Metaphilosophy" by Peter H. Hare English	1967
b. 9, f. 81	(Reprints) English	1905, 1923, 1929, 1947, 1951-1952

Letters

b. 9, f. 82	to W. Sheldon	[1943], 1957, 1965
b. 9, f. 83	from Cornelia Greer Le Boutillier	1953

Manuscripts

b. 9, f. 84	"The Evolution of Love" English	
b. 9, f. 85	<i>Rational Religion: The Philosophy of Christian Love</i> , early draft, Preface	1962
b. 9, f. 86	<i>Rational Religion: The Philosophy of Christian Love</i> , early draft, Chap. I	1962
b. 9, f. 87	<i>Rational Religion: The Philosophy of Christian Love</i> , early draft, Chap. II	1962
b. 9, f. 88	<i>Rational Religion: The Philosophy of Christian Love</i> , incomplete typed draft Chap. II	
b. 9, f. 89	<i>Rational Religion: The Philosophy of Christian Love</i> , early draft, Chap. III	
b. 9, f. 90	<i>Rational Religion: The Philosophy of Christian Love</i> , early draft, Chap. IV	
b. 9, f. 91	<i>Sex and Salvation</i> , draft, Chap. I and II	
b. 9, f. 92	<i>Sex and Salvation</i> , draft, Chap. III and IV	
b. 9, f. 93	<i>Sex and Salvation</i> , draft, Chap. V and VI	
b. 9, f. 94	<i>Sex and Salvation</i> , draft, Chap. VII and VIII	

Notes

b. 9, f. 95	on religion	
b. 9, f. 96	on metaphysics	
b. 9, f. 97	Personal papers and memorabilia	

**ALFRED NORTH WHITEHEAD**

This collection consists of a bound typescript of student notes taken from lectures of A.N. Whitehead at Harvard University from 1926 to 1937. The notes were compiled by: George P. Conger, William K. Frankena, A.H. Johnson John L. Mothershead, Jr., W. V. Quine, and Edward Schouten Robinson, and the entire collection compiled and typed by members of the Graduate Philosophy Club of Yale University in 1966. A copy of the table of contents follows.

b. 10, f. 98      Notes from "Lectures of A. N. W. at Harvard" Compiled by students      1926-1937

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See: [Charles A. A. Bennett](#)

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## **Selected Search Terms**

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

### **Subjects**

Economics  
Education  
Educators  
Law  
Philosophy  
Political science  
Psychology  
Social sciences  
Sociology

### **Geographic Names**

New Haven (Conn.)

### **Occupations**

Social scientists

### **Names**

Bennett, Charles A. (Charles Andrew  
Armstrong), 1885-1930  
Hart, Albert Bushnell, 1854-1943  
Kant, Immanuel, 1724-1804  
Sheldon, Wilmon Henry, 1875-  
Urban, Wilbur Marshall, 1873-1952  
Whitehead, Alfred North, 1861-1947

### **Corporate Bodies**

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