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Education

Dean's Office

Thomas E. Benner Papers, 1930-75, 1977, 1979

Box 1:

Correspondence, 1930-44

Memo from Dr. Benner to Mr. Terry on obligations of University of Puerto Rico, no date

Presidency of Rutgers, endorsement by Theodore Roosevelt, November 10, 1930

Presidency of Illinois, endorsement by Paul H. Hanus, February 15 and June 8, 1933

Memo to President A.C. Willard on University needs, July 31, 1934

Copies of letters to President Willard concerning needs of College of Education, December 26, 1934 - March 1, 1937

Presidency of Brown, Benner's candidacy, December 1935

Presidency of Utah, June 1941

Exchange with President A.C. Willard on composition of the University's General Advisory Committee, May 1942

Presidency of New Hampshire, March 1944

Manuscripts of articles and talks, 1931-45

Secondary Education

Liberal Education

Accreditation

Business

Radio

Democracy

Junior Colleges

Social Sciences

Graduate Education

Teacher Education

Curricula

Rural Education

School Organization

Benner and the Chicago Schools, 1938

School Studies

Oak Park, 1937

Galesburg, 1938

Deerfield, 1945

Creve Coeur, 1945

Chicago Schools Controversy, 1938

Citizens Schools Committee and Kelly-Nash Machine

Laboratory School Plans and Proposals, 1945

Correspondence, 1947, 1961, 1967, 1969

Speech of Rector Ludwig Adamovitch on bestowing honorary membership in the University of Vienna in TEB, June 12, 1947

Letter from Dr. Leopold Zechner on Austrian education, August 8, 1967

Release of Benner's films of Turkey, Korea, Cuba and Puerto Rico, 1961
 Memo concerning the Graduate School of Librarianship at the University of Puerto Rico and
 clippings concerning Dr. Benner and the University, May 13, 1969
 Committee on Promotions in Rank and Pay, College of Education, 1949-53
 Publications, 1930, 1942, 1944, 1954
 Publicity, 1930

Box 2:

Laymen and the Courts and the Development of Education, ca. 1970 (notes)
 Photographs, ca. 1960-75
 Wartime education, 1942
 Graduate schools, 1944
 Control of state supported higher education, 1954
 Autobiographical statements, 1969
 Benner, education at Harvard, 1915 (1914, A.B.; 1916, M.A.; 1923, Ed.M.; 1925 Ed.D.)
 Service at Alabama State Department of Education where Benner revised the state's pupil
 attendance and financial accounting procedures, 1919-22
 Return to Harvard for one year of study, 1922-23
 Appointment to the position of Acting Dean of the College of Education at Alabama
 Polytechnic Institute
 Term as first full-time chancellor of the University of Puerto Rico where Benner upgraded
 the faculty, course content and college offerings, 1924-29
 Appointment as visiting professor of administration of higher education at Columbia
 University Teachers College, 1929-31
 Service as Dean of the College of Education, curriculum improvement, changes in degree
 requirements, development of a laboratory school and the charges, hearings, and
 motivation behind his dismissal as Dean of Education (he remained on the faculty
 of the University of Illinois until 1962), 1931-45
 Service as Chief of the Education Division of the United States Element of the Allied
 Council in Austria, dealings with the Russians, and Benner's role in halting a
 Russian-inspired riot to assume control of the University of Vienna, 1946-47
 Appointment by United States Department of Education as liaison with the Korean Minister
 of Education, impressions of Koreans
 Consultant to Turkish Ministry of Education under Ford Foundation Grant, secondary
 schools, 1953-54
 Study of Israeli school system requested by Israel, study of "downward mobility"
 "Special Advisor" to chancellor of University of Puerto Rico, worked for improvement of
 university relations and library, 1962-69
 Director of Institute for training in University librarianship at the University of Puerto Rico,
 1968-69
 List of magazines in which photographs taken by him have appeared

Career summary, 1977

97 pp. autobiographical statement

The Benner Family, 1979

Benner Hearing Material, 1943-45

Documents concerning relations with the Graduate School, June 15 and September 8, 1943

Letter of nine deans and directors requesting Benner's removal as dean, June 3, 1944

Developments in the College of Education, July 17, 1944

A.J. Harno legal opinion, May 16, 1945 and Benner's analysis of it, May 16, 1945

Record of the College of Education and Dean Thomas E. Benner, 1931-45

June 7, 1945

Newspaper clipping, July 24 & August 29, 1945

Board of Trustees Hearing, July 25-26, 1945

Clevenger-Trimble Statement, November 2, 1945

"An Unsavory Episode at the University of Illinois" in School and Society, August 22, 1945

Statements of Research and Scholarly activities and services of College of Education faculty, 1945

Report of Proceedings before the Board of Trustees, July 25-26, 1945

Letters of support, 1944-45

June-July 1944

Letters from school association officers, superintendents and leading educators, June-July 1945

National Education Association letters, August 1945

Newspaper clippings, July 1944 - August 1948

Champaign-Urbana and Chicago newspaper

Clippings on Benner's ouster and hearing

Box 3:

Personal correspondence, July 1944 - July 1945

Arranged alphabetically by correspondent largely relating to changes, promises of support, the College of Education and the University of Illinois

Personal correspondence, July 27-December 1945

Austria, 1946-48

Allied Commission passes order establishing Education Division of the United States Allied Commission, July 11, 1946

Synopsis of Post-war Education in Austria, March 10, 1947

"Unhappy Austria" manuscript, on Russian-organized attack on the University of Vienna, ca. 1948

Correspondence, including June 12, 1947 speech when Dr. Benner was made an honorary member of the University of Vienna, a July 19, 1947 speech thanking him for a gift of textbooks and a letter of thanks for a new typewriter and photograph, 1947-48

Newspaper clippings, 1947

Das Wiener Schulwesen, 1954-57

Forward and inscription by Dr. Leopold Zechner

Box 4:

Korea, 1950-52

Report on Korean Educational, Scientific and Cultural Reconstruction by T.E. Benner,
UNESCO Educational Consultant, March 6, 1952

"Assignment in Korea" in Illinois Education, November 1950

"Educational Reconstruction in Korea" in NEA Journal, February 1952

Newspaper clippings

Puerto Rico, 1966-73

Copies of articles and letters relating to the University of Puerto Rico

University of, Graduate School of Librarianship, 1969

Turkey, 1955-57

Report to Minister of Education on the Experimental Secondary Schools Project, 1953-57,
& June 4, 1957

Paper read at Experiment School seminar in Istanbul, summer 1957

"The Theory and Practice of Educational Reform within a Nation"

"An Overview of the Special Problems of the Turkish School System," March 14, 1957

Correspondence concerning English language handicaps of Turkish educators, September
26 & 30, 1955

Report of the Turkish Group on American Secondary Schools, no date

Correspondence concerning travel, salary and expenses, 1955-57

Monthly reports, 1954-57

Reports of activities of Dean B.L. Dodds concerning travel, conferences, exchange
programs for educators and teacher education

Turkey daily record of activities, 1954-57

Understanding Turkey, 1962 (Benner photographs)

Turkey, 1970

American Missionaries and Higher Education, 1965