

**MEDICAL CENTER ARCHIVES
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**Finding Aid To
THE DONALD CLARKE PAPERS**

**Dates of Papers:
1940-1951**

**10 Linear Inches
(2 Boxes)**

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PROVENANCE:

These materials were donated by Donald Clarke's daughter, Dolores Clarke Smith on November 19, 2007.

ADMINISTRATIVE/BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE:

Donald Clarke was the Apothecary-in-Chief at New York Hospital from 1937-1949. He was a pioneer in establishing a graduate training program for hospital pharmacists at New York Hospital. The hospital pharmacist internship program began in 1940 and by 1942 two residents were on the Pharmacy staff. In 1948, a new pneumatic system for collecting and delivering orders and improved Pharmacy waiting room and dispensary were developed. The same year, a Committee on Antibiotics was active in writing policies for more efficient handling and better therapeutic use of penicillin and other antibiotics. In addition, he was on the faculty of Cornell University Medical College from 1943-1952. He was an assistant in Pharmacology (Pharmacy), 1943-1944, Research Fellow in Pharmacology, 1945-1951, and Instructor in Pharmacology, 1951-1952. He wrote numerous articles and gave speeches on hospital pharmacy internships, gelatin products, dispensing medical supplies, and hospital pharmacy standards. In addition, he wrote a national formulary in 1946 and a revised edition of the New York Hospital formulary, in 1951.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE:

These papers offered a small glimpse of Donald Clarke's career as a pioneer hospital pharmacist. The collection is divided into two series: correspondence (1948-1951) and Speeches and Publications (1940-1951).

Series I: Correspondence, 1948-1951 (Box 1)

This series, arranged alphabetically, contains correspondence with colleagues.

Series II: Speeches and Publications, 1940-1951 (Boxes 1-2)

This series, arranged chronologically, consists of speeches, reprints, and publications on Donald Clarke's research interests in hospital pharmacies.

ACCESS RESTRICTIONS:

RELATED MATERIAL:

BOX AND FOLDER LIST:
Box 1: Series I, Correspondence, 1948-1951

Folder:	Description:
1	Correspondence regarding O. W. Holmes radio talk, 1948
2	Narcotic Vial Project, 1948
3	Correspondence regarding New York Hospital and Sloan Kettering formulary, 1951

Box 1: Series II, Speeches and Publications, 1940-1951

Folder:	Description:
4	Reprints, 1940-1945
5	Miscellaneous Manuscripts, (internships, supplies, standards), 1945-1948
6	<u>The National Formulary</u> , 1946 (bound volume)
7	"Hospital and Tax Paid Alcohol," April 1946
8	<u>Fixation of Digitalis Glycosides</u> , June 1946 (bound volume)
9	Speech: "Manufacturer of Sterile Supplies," Connecticut Association for Advancement of Professional Pharmacy, June 4, 1946
10	"A Schema for Hospital Pharmacy Internships," <u>Bulletin</u> , American Society of Hospital Pharmacists, May-June 1947
11	Pulse Articles, 1947-1948
12	Abstracts for Excerpta Medica, 1949

Box 2: Series II, Speeches and Publications, 1940-1951

Folder:	Description:
1	The Pharmaceutical Survey of 1948 and Hospital Pharmacy," <u>Bulletin</u> , American Society of Hospital Pharmacists, March-April 1949
2	Speech: "The Formulary System," Yale University Department of Public Health and Hospital Administration, 1949-1950
3	<u>The Formulary of New York Hospital</u> , revised 1951 (bound volume)
4	Formulary, New York Hospital, 1951
5	"The Hospital Formulary-Its Construction and Position," undated
6	"Hospital Pharmacy Internship," undated
7	"Preliminary Report of a New Gelatin Product Sulfagel", undated