## Morton Howison Smith

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Abstract: Materials specific to Dr. Smith's involvement with the Reformed Theological Seminary in Jackson, MS, 1956 to 1978.

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## file Description

- Early planning for a new seminary, 1956-1958; includes Dr. Smith's correspondence with Paul Woolley, Cornelius Van Til, John R. Richardson, Henry Van Til, and R.G. Valentine.
- Reformed Theological Seminary, Various materials related to, including "Proposal for a New Southern Presbyterian Seminary," and proposed bylaws for the institution.
- Announcement regarding the formation of the Reformed Theological Institute, 25 Dec. 1963, using the facilities of the French Camp Academy. Also included (2.) proposed resolution from the Synod of Mississippi denouncing the Reformed Theological Institute, which is marked as defeated; (3.) substitute resolution regarding the Synod of Mississippi's relation to the Reformed Theological Institute; (4.) Letter from Thomas G. Kay to Morton Smith, 20 June 1964; (5.) Pamphlets: (a.) French Camp Academy; (b.) *Booknotes*, Union Seminary, Richmond, VA; (c.) Westminster Theological Seminary, financial report, 1963-64.
- Reformed Theological Seminary, Materials related to the early years, including (1.) a description of the seminary and its purpose [21 p.]; (2.) bylaws of the Student Fellowship; (3.) curriculum requirements.
- Smith, Morton H., Undated notes in reply to "A Proposal to the Executive Committee of the Reformed Theological Seminary for Consideration by the Board of Trustees," *in re* communication between the board and the faculty, the place of research in the institution, accreditation, a seminary president, and other matters.
- f07 Reformed Theological Seminary, 1964-1965, Correspondence regarding location of.
- f08 Reformed Theological Seminary, 1964-1965, Promotional material and announcements regarding the formation of and the presence of French Camp Academy.
- f09 Reformed Theological Seminary, 1964-1966, Correspondence regarding early faculty searches.
- f10 Correspondence between Dr. Smith and various theological institutions, regarding Smith's interest in applying for faculty positions, early 1960s.
- Reformed Theological Seminary, 1964-1965, Correspondence and materials related to the search for Old Testament faculty.
- Reformed Theological Seminary, 1964-1965, Correspondence and materials related to the search for New Testament faculty.
- Reformed Theological Seminary, 1964-1965, Correspondence and materials related to the search for Church History faculty.

- Reformed Theological Institute, 1964, Faculty directory. Biographical sketch for Dr. Smith.
- f15 RTS founding faculty: Bodey, Jr., Richard Allen, 1965-1966, Correspondence.
- f16 RTS founding faculty: DeYoung, James C., 1965-1966, Correspondence.
- f17 RTS founding faculty: Freundt, Jr., Albert H., 1965-1966, Correspondence.
- f18 RTS founding faculty: Gribble, Robert F., 1965-1966, Correspondence.
- f19 RTS founding faculty: McIlwaine, William A., 1964-1965, Correspondence.
- f20 RTS founding faculty: Strong, Robert, 1964-1965, Correspondence.
- f21 Reformed Theological Institute, WLBT Bible survey course, first quarter, 1964.
- f22 Reformed Theological Institute, WLBT Bible survey course, 1964-1965.
- f23 Reformed Theological Institute, WLBT Bible survey course, second quarter, 1965.
- f24 Reformed Theological Institute, WLBT Bible survey course, Viewer Correspondence, folder 1.
- f25 Reformed Theological Institute, WLBT Bible survey course, Viewer Correspondence, folder 2.
- f26 Reformed Theological Institute, 1960s, Correspondence from television sources regarding.
- f27 Reformed Theological Institute, 1965, Extension course: Birmingham, AL.
- f28 Reformed Theological Institute, 1965, Extension course: Hattiesburg, MS.
- f29 Reformed Theological Institute, 1964-1967, Extension course: Jackson, MS.
- f30 Reformed Theological Institute, 1964-1965, Extension course: Kosciusko, MS.
- f31 Reformed Theological Seminary, 1964-1966, Correspondence from prospective students.
- Reformed Theological Institute, 1960s, Newspaper clippings advertising the.
- f33 Smith, Morton H., 1959-1972, Correspondence regarding speaking engagements.
- Reformed Theological Seminary, 1967-1968, PCUS Presbytery investigations of the Seminary, folder 1: Abingdon Presbytery.
- Reformed Theological Seminary, 1967-1968, PCUS Presbytery investigations of the Seminary, folder 2: Includes (1.) Letter from Paul B. Fowler to Sam Patterson, 27 July 1973; (2.) report of the Cherokee Presbytery (PCUS), with an unfavorable position towards Reformed Theological Seminary, along with materials related to the history of Southern Presbyterian ministerial training; (3.) report of the Presbytery of Guyandotte (PCUS) with a moderately unfavorable position towards the Seminary, dated 5 September 1973.
- Reformed Theological Seminary, 1968-1972, Promotional literature, newsletters, postcards
- f37 Institute of Theological Studies, 1970-1971, Correspondence regarding. [seven leaves]
- f38 Reformed Theological Seminary, 1966-1974, RTS Bulletin.
- f39 Reformed Theological Seminary, 1968, 1971-1974, Convocation and Commencement programs.
- f40 Reformed Theological Seminary, 1971, Grace Chapel Cornerstone Committee, Correspondence.
- f41 Reformed Theological Seminary, 1971, Grace Chapel dedication; items placed inside the cornerstone.

- f42 Reformed Theological Seminary, 1964-1975, Correspondence and Contract with Morton H. Smith.
- Wells, Erskine W., 15 October 1965, Correspondence comparing differences between the version of the Westminster Standards adopted by Reformed Theological Seminary and that adopted by the PCUS.
- f44 Reformed Theological Seminary, 1972-1973, Student handbook.
- Reformed Theological Seminary, 1970-1973, Position statements, including (1.) "A Statement Prepared for Robert C. Cannada and Sam C. Patterson" by Albert H. Freundt, Jr., explaining his hesitancy about moving too quickly towards formation of a new conservative denomination and expressing concerns about Reformed Theological Seminary entering into denominational debates; (2.) "A Position Statement by Reformed Theological Seminary Regarding Denominational Involvement," 15 Sept. 1972; (3.) statements on the relationship of Reformed Theological Seminary to other Southern Presbyterian seminaries; (4.) information regarding the beginnings of extension education, 24 May 1972; (5.) Purpose, mission, & policy statements for Reformed Theological Seminary; (6.) "The Reformed Theological Seminary and the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States: 1966-1969," by O. Palmer Robertson; (7.) packet of letters and materials stating that Reformed Theological Seminary is not officially connected with the Continuing Presbyterian Church, 16 Aug. 1973; (8.) "Statement of Faculty Obligations as Members of Church Courts."
- Reformed Theological Seminary, 1965-1982, Newsletters. [scattered issues]
- Reformed Theological Seminary, 1976, (1.) Resolution regarding Dr. Smith's nomination as PCA Stated Clerk; (2.) Dr. Smith's statement to the student body regarding his expected departure from the faculty; (3.) Resolution honoring Dr. Morton H. Smith.
- Reformed Theological Seminary, 1977, Self-study. (1.) Report of the Association of Theological Schools accreditation visitation team; (2.) Minutes of the Academic Affairs Committee, 5 May 1977; (3.) report from a Steering Committee regarding a Christian education conference.
- f49 Reformed Theological Seminary, undated, Student critiques of the theology department.
- f50 Reformed Theological Seminary, undated, Student reviews of various professors.
- f51 Reformed Theological Seminary, 1975-1978, Winter Theological Institute.
- f52 Reformed Theological Seminary, "A Brief History of Reformed Theological Seminary."
- f53 Kim, John S., 1972, "Studies on the Distinctive Thought of the Thornwell School." [student paper]
- f54 Student papers: (1.) Thornwell's Objection to Boards, by George G. Felton, Sr. (1976, 5 p.); (2.) A Survey of Southern Presbyterian Millennial Views before 1930, by James B. Jordan (n.d., 25 p.); (3.) Thornwell's View of the Office of Elder, by Richard Jennings (1976, 10 p.); The Spirituality of the Church and Slavery in the South in the 19<sup>th</sup> Century, by Wayne Rogers (1972, 22 p.).
- Reformed Theological Seminary, 1960's-1980's, includes (1.) RTS faculty bylaws; (2.) charter, constitution, and bylaws of Westminster Theological Seminary (1966); (3.) Westminster Theological Seminary library classifications; (4.) newsletters from Reformed Theological Seminary, 1960s-1980s; (5.) "Report of the Sub-Sub-Committee on Future Purpose of the Seminary," along with related correspondence.
- f56 Reformed Theological Institute, 1960s, Correspondence regarding book purchases.
- f57 Reformed Theological Institute, French Camp, MS, blank stationary (four leaves)