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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository:</b>	Raymond H. Fogler Library Special Collections Department
<b>Creator:</b>	Bubar, Benjamin
<b>Title:</b>	Benjamin Bubar Papers
<b>ID:</b>	SpC MS 0077
<b>Date [inclusive]:</b>	1923-1960
<b>Physical Description:</b>	1 box
<b>Physical Location:</b>	
<b>Language of the Material:</b>	English
<b>Abstract:</b>	Personal papers of Benjamin Bubar including a small amount of information about the Bubar family, publicity about Bubar's work as an evangelist, copies of his sermons and other writings on religion, and memorabilia and publicity about his political campaigns and service in the Maine legislature.

### Preferred Citation

Benjamin Bubar Papers, SpC MS 0077, [Box No.], [Folder No.], Raymond H. Fogler Library Special Collections Department, University of Maine, Orono, Maine

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## Biographical Note

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Benjamin C. Bubar, the son of Luther Benjamin and Eliza Noble Bubar, was born in Blaine, Maine in 1878. He was educated at the Ricker Classical Institute and was a graduate of the MacFadden Physical Culture College. Bubar taught in the public schools and studied law before becoming ordained as a Baptist minister. He traveled as an evangelist in many states and in Canada as well as preaching in his hometown.

Bubar was active in politics, joining the Bull Moose Party in 1912. He was a member of the Maine House of Representatives in 1935, 1949 and 1951. He was also a candidate for governor in 1936, running as a supporter of the Townsend Plan, a proposal that guaranteed a monthly pension to every retired

citizen age 60 or older. Bubar also supported more conservative causes such as prohibition and was the author of the first anti-evolution bill presented to the legislature.

He was the author of several books and pamphlets including Every Man A Home, The Devil Let Loose in Maine and Health – Wealth – Beauty – Length of Days as well as numerous religious tracts, songs and poems.

Benjamin Bubar married Mary Heal, the daughter of John and Hannah Bedell Heal of Danforth, Maine, in 1915 and they had six children. Mary Bubar died in 1945.

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## Scope and Contents

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Personal papers of Benjamin Bubar including a small amount of information about the Bubar family, publicity about Bubar's work as an evangelist, copies of his sermons and other writings on religion, and memorabilia and publicity about his political campaigns and service in the Maine legislature. Also includes typescripts of two unpublished manuscripts written by Bubar as well as examples of songs, music and verse that he wrote.

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## Arrangement

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The Personal/Family section contains a small amount of information about the Bubar family as well as photographs of Benjamin Bubar and one letter from 1960.

The Religion section contains publicity for his work as an evangelist and preacher, a scrapbook of newspaper clippings about that work and copies of his sermons and other writings on religion.

The Politics section has memorabilia and publicity from his political campaigns, correspondence and writings on politics, and numerous clippings documenting his political career.

The Writings section has two typescripts of unpublished manuscripts by Bubar as well as examples of songs, music and verse that he wrote.

The Miscellaneous section contains a few notes by Bubar, two topographical quadrangles, and posters for the 1940 political campaign of Benjamin Bubar, Jr.

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## Administrative Information

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### Access Restrictions

Kept at Fogler Library's offsite storage facility. One week's notice required for retrieval.

### Immediate Source of Acquisition

Gift of Bubar family in 1969.

### Use Restrictions

Information on literary rights available in the repository.

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## Controlled Access Headings

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- Maine -- Politics and government -- 20th century
- Baptists -- Maine
- Evangelists -- Maine
- Legislators -- Maine
- Revivals -- Maine
- Bubar, Benjamin
- Maine. Legislature. House of Representatives -- Officials and employees

## Collection Inventory

### Personal/Family

Title/Description	Instances
Bubar family information	box 1 folder 1
Photographs of Bubar	box 1 folder 2
Correspondence, re: raising flag on Mars Hill Mountain, 1960	box 1 folder 3

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### Religion

Title/Description	Instances
Revival meetings: publicity, etc., 1914-1950s	box 1 folder 4
Posters for revival meetings	box 1 folder 5
Scrapbook re: revival meetings, religion, etc., 1920s	box 1 folder 6
Bubar sermons	box 1 folder 7
"The Spotlight," Benjamin Bubar, editor and publisher, 1923	box 1 folder 8
Copies of religious magazines, 1926, 1934, undated	box 1 folder 9

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### Politics

Title/Description	Instances
Bubar campaign for governor, 1936	box 1

	folder 10
Legislative campaign memorabilia	box 1 folder 11
Campaign for state senate, 1952	box 1 folder 12
Political correspondence, 1949, 1951-1952, undated	box 1 folder 13
Bubar writings on Maine politics and government	box 1 folder 14
Clippings re: Bubar political career, 1938-1950s	box 1 folder 15
Clippings re: Bubar political career, 1938-1950s	box 1 folder 16
Clippings re: Bubar political career, 1938-1950s	box 1 folder 17
Pamphlet: Mock session of the 90th Legislature, state of Maine, April 14th, 1941	box 1 folder 18

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## Writings

Title/Description	Instances
Songs, music, verse by Bubar	box 1 folder 19
Typescript: God can do anything by Benjamin C. Bubar, Sr.	box 1 folder 20
Typescript drafts: King potato: a serial story by Hon. Benjamin C. Bubar, Sr.	box 1 folder 21
Typescript drafts: King potato: a serial story by Hon. Benjamin C. Bubar, Sr.	box 1 folder 22
Health - wealth - beauty - length of days by Rev. Benjamin C. Bubar, Sr., drugless physician, undated	box 1 folder 23

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## Miscellaneous

Title/Description	Instances
Publicity item: New England Health Resort, Benjamin C. Bubar Sons, Danforth, Maine	box 1 folder 24
Miscellaneous notes	box 1 folder 25
U.S. Geological Survey topographical quadrangles: Allagash, ME, 1945; St. Francis, ME, 1933, 1945, 1933	box 1 folder 26
Campaign posters for Benjamin C. Bubar, Jr., 1940	box 1 folder 27

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