

Inventory of the
Erwin M. Hearne, Jr. Drawings

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Southern Baptist Historical Library and Archives

EDWIN M. HEARNE, JR. DRAWINGS

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I. Biographical Note

Erwin M. Hearne, Jr. is a commercial artist and Baptist layman. He is a member of First Baptist Church of Dallas, Texas. Hearne was commissioned to paint, "Eight Great Moments in Baptist History" by the Sunday School Board (now LifeWay Christian Resources) of the Southern Baptist Convention. The Historical Commission distributed prints of the paintings. These paintings appeared on the covers of numerous Board periodicals in the mid. 1960's. The project was commissioned in 1964.

Hearne also prepared about 25 pencil sketches for the Historical Commission. The Commission sold print of these drawings, primarily related to Baptists and religious liberty and the formation of the Southern Baptist Convention.

II. Scope and Content Note.

The collection consists primarily of prints of Hearne's sketches and paintings. The sketches, which are primarily related to Baptists and the struggle for religious liberty in America, are on 8 ½ " x 11" paper with a paragraph description of the sketch. Multi-copies of most sketches exist. Other sketches document the formation of the Southern Baptist Convention in 1845. Prints of the "Eight Great Moments in Baptist History" painted by Hearne are part of the collection. The original painting are owned by the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Other material in the collection includes articles on Hearne, Historical Commission newsletters on the prints, slides and clippings from Baptist papers where the sketches were used.

The files are arranged in alphabetical order by folder title. The collection spans the years from 1963 to 1965.

III. Folder ListingBOX 1

Folder

1. Aging Widow in Jail for Resisting Clergy Tax
2. Backus, Isaac
3. Baptism take place at night
4. Baptist preacher whipped
5. Baptist preachers serve in Army
6. Baptists to perform weddings
7. Baptists sing on way to jail
8. Biographical article on Hearne
9. Chaplain John Gano offers Thanksgiving
10. Dissenters again liberty to preach
11. Fuller, Richard- SBC- 1845
12. Furman, Richard
13. George Washington writes Baptists
14. Harris, Samuel
15. Hart, John

16. Henry, Patrick
17. Hezekiah Smith returns to Haverhill
18. Historical Commission Newsletters
19. Ice broken for Baptismal Service
20. Johnson, William Bulletin -SBC- 1845
21. Laymen arrested for assisting preacher
22. Massachusetts General Court and Baptists

BOX 2

Folder

23. Newspaper -Baptist -Hearne drawings
24. Other Miscellaneous Sketches
25. Packet of Pictures -Edwin Hearne
26. Philadelphia Baptist Association Formed
27. Rejoicing welcomes Religious Freedom
28. Rice visits in Bagby home
29. Rhode Island College
30. Slides
31. SBC organized -1845
32. SBC 1845- I
33. SBC 1845- 2
34. South Carolina give aid to New Englanders
35. State Church fears revival movement

BOX 3

"Eight Great Moments in Baptist History"
color prints -1965

1. Roger Williams leaves Salem.
2. Isaac Backus before Continental Congress.
3. James Ireland Preaching through Prison bars.
4. James Madison meets with John Leland.
5. Luther Rice before the Triennial Convention.
6. Luther Rice arrives at the Bagby Home
7. Gambrell and Frost recommend Sunday School Board
8. Truett preaches on Capitol steps.

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