

McNally/YMCA COLLECTION

OVERVIEW OF THE RECORDS

- Repository:** Crandall Public Library.
Center for Folklife, History, and Cultural Programs,
Glens Falls, NY.
- Creator:** *Probably Robert E. McNally*
- Title:** **McNally/YMCA Collection**
- Dates:** **1910-??**
- Abstract:** Two albums of photographs, compiled by Robert E. McNally (father of Stephen B. McNally and Betty Hartnett). In addition, two mounted photographs of groups, related to the YMCA. The albums date from 1910 and mostly concern the YMCA, both in Glens Falls and the summer camp built at Assembly Point on Lake George.
- Quantity:** 1 box
- Identification Number:** Photographs (Accession # 2002-046)

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Born in 1887, Robert E. McNally worked for the YMCA most of his life. In 1906, he was boys' work Secretary at the Railroad YMCA in Whitehall, NY. In 1914, he helped organize the YMCA summer camp at Assembly Point in Lake George New York. At an interim period, he was associated with the First Presbyterian Church of Glens Falls. He returned as Secretary, then acting General Secretary, and finally General Secretary of the Glens Falls YMCA, resigning May 1, 1919. After Glens Falls, he became General Secretary of the Lake Geneva, WI, YMCA, retiring in 1949. Thereafter, he was employed across the country raising funds for colleges and hospitals. He married Myra Morgan in 1915 and had two children, Stephen and Betty. He died in 1974 at Lake Geneva.

SCOPE AND CONTENT OF THE RECORDS

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INDEX TERMS

Topics: Glens Falls—New York--Young Men's Christian associations

Places: Glens Falls (NY)—History—Photographs.
George, Lake (N.Y. : Lake)—History—Photographs
Kenosha (WI)—History—Photographs

Important People: Robert E. McNally
Charles Kaulfuss

Form/Genre: Albums/photographs

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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Accession Information: 2002-046 donated by Betty Hartnett and Stephen B. McNally

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DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE RECORDS

Two 8"x10" mounted black & white photographs of groups probably related to the YMCA.

Two albums of photographs compiled by Robert E. McNally dating from 1910 and mostly concern the YMCA, in both Glens Falls, and the summer camp built at Assembly Point on Lake George.

Glens Falls photo album (scrapbook, black, size 10"x13", tied) contains approximately 25 pages of about 80 black and white 2"x3" to 8"x10" size photographs on black paper with brief photo description under photographs. Photo of Glens Falls YMCA team with Charles Kaulfuss on roman ladder is similar to a framed photograph in the Charles Kaulfuss collection (mounted and framed, size 11.5"x29.5", includes three 4.5"x6.5" size black & white photos of YMCA team).

"Dad's early days in Glens Falls" photo album (scrapbook, black, size 9"x15", tied) contains approximately 18 pages of about 150 black & white 2"x3" to 8"x10" size photographs on black paper (no descriptions).