

WARREN COUNTY TUBERCULOSIS AND HEALTH ASSOCIATION COLLECTION

OVERVIEW OF THE RECORDS

- Repository:** Crandall Public Library.
Center for Folklife, History, and Cultural Programs,
Glens Falls, NY.
- Creator:** Warren County Tuberculosis and Health Association (formerly the
Glens Falls Committee on the Prevention of Tuberculosis then the
Warren County Tuberculosis Committee)
- Title:** Warren County Tuberculosis and Health Association Collection
- Dates:** 1910-1967
- Abstract:** This collection consists of a scattering of documents from the
Warren County Tuberculosis Committee (under its various titles).
The largest group of documents are typewritten reports and annual
reports, but there are also constitutions for two of the incarnations
of the organization, the Charter for the original 1911 Dispensary,
notes about negotiations with the donor of the Health Center
property, correspondence, and various printed materials.
- Quantity:** .3 ft (1 box, 8 folders)
- Identification Number:** Archives & Manuscripts: Organizations

HISTORICAL NOTE

The Glens Falls Committee on the Prevention of Tuberculosis was organized in 1910. In 1911 a Dispensary was founded, located in City Hall. The first full time executive secretary, Marjorie M. Bucknam, RN, was appointed in 1920 and served in that capacity until 1952. In 1921 the name of the organization was changed to the Warren County Tuberculosis Committee and by 1923 the program had expanded and re-located to the Health Center at 59 Ridge Street (the former McEachron home). It was incorporated in 1948 as the Warren County Tuberculosis and Health Association, Inc. The name was changed in 1960 to Health Association of Warren County, and later to Health Association of Warren and Washington Counties.

Meanwhile, in 1916 a referendum was held and approved the expenditure of \$50,000 to build a tuberculosis hospital, and in 1917 the land was purchased. Due to the war and to high prices immediately after the war, the building was delayed. The architects, Tooker and Marsh, were chosen in 1922 but building was not begun for several more years. The hospital, Westmount Sanitarium, received its first patients in 1928.

Throughout its history, the Committee has focused on education, prevention and treatment of tuberculosis as well as other health issues including malnutrition and venereal disease. It was incorporated in 1948 as the Warren County Tuberculosis and Health Association, Inc. The name was changed in 1960 to Health Association of Warren County, and later to Health Association of Warren and Washington Counties.

SCOPE AND CONTENT OF THE RECORDS

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INDEX TERMS

Topics: Tuberculosis
Public Health

Places: Glens Falls, N.Y.

Important People: Adamson, W.H.
Bucknam, Marjorie M.
Barker, John N.
Bayle, George F.
Buddy, Robert S.
Finch, Mrs. J.T.
Miller, Stanley S.
Peck, Harry M.
Robinson, Stewart L.
Tooker & Marsh, Architects
Willard, Horace J.

Form/Genre: Reports
Correspondence

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE RECORDS

Folder 1 Documents

Constitution of the Warren County Tuberculosis Committee 1921
Constitution of the Warren County Tuberculosis and Health Association 1939
Certificate of Change of Name to Health Association of Warren County 1960
Charter of the Glens Falls Tuberculosis Dispensary 1909

Folder 2 Annual Reports

Annual Reports 1915-1955 (incomplete)

Folder 3 History

Notes, outlines and typed pages on the history of the organization.

Folder 4 Tuberculosis Hospital

Notes and brochure for proposed hospital.

Folder 5 Syphilis Education

Planning for education campaign. 1940.

Folder 6 Correspondence

Various, 1910-1967.

Folder 7 Marjorie Bucknam, RN

Certificate recognizing her work in the 1918 influenza epidemic; clippings relative to her retirement and death.

Folder 8 Miscellaneous

Mostly printed materials. Also a typewritten report of the Social Service Department of the Utica State Hospital (clipped to a 1923 report from the Executive Director [Bucknam] to the Directors of the Tuberculosis Committee on her visit to the State hospital, and also a 1936 letter to Bucknam from the Superintendent of the State Agricultural and Industrial School).