

## DeKalb History Center

### Warren Akin Candler Collection

**Scope and content:** The Warren Akin Candler Collection is a small collection with some unique items. There is an invitation to the Roosevelt White House in 1935, a bible given to John C. Candler from W.A. Candler, diplomas and a boutonniere worn by Candler for the party celebrating his 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary in 1927

**Provenance:** Gift of John and Elizabeth Anne Lynch, ACC # 2008.45.

**Access:** Single photocopies may be made for research purposes. Permission to publish materials from this collection must be requested from the Archivist, DeKalb History Center. Citations should be made as follows:

Description of specific item; Warren Akin Collection, DeKalb History Center Archives.

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**Size:** 1 scrapbook box

**Biographical Sketch of Warren Akin Candler (1857-1941):** Warren Akin Candler was born in Villa Rica, Georgia in 1857, son of Samuel Charles and Martha Beall Candler. He graduated from Emory College at Oxford in 1875. He was licensed to preach at age 17, his first post in Sparta, Georgia and then spent some years as a circuit preacher, sometimes preaching two or three times a day. Candler married Sarah Antoinette Curtright in 1877. At 31 he served as President of Emory at Oxford and became a bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1898 at age 41. He received honorary doctorates in Divinity and Law from Emory College. He was among the founder of Emory University, of which the college in Oxford became the School of Liberal Arts. Funds came from his brother, Asa G. Candler, of Coca Cola fame and with help from his brother John S. Candler. W.A. Candler was named chancellor of the university and served from 1914 to 1921. The 1927 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary party was held in the Biltmore Hotel and had over 400 guests.

**Description:** The Warren Akin Candler Collection includes a bible given to John C. Candler, a guest book from W.A. Candler's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary party and his boutonniere. There are some documents as well in the small collection.

**Subject Headings:** Where possible, Library of Congress Subject Headings have been used.

Main Entry: Candler, Warren Akin (1857-1941)

Subject/Added Entries: DeKalb County (Ga.)  
Stone Mountain (Ga.)

Candler, Sarah Antoinette Curtright  
Candler, John C  
Candler, Asa G.  
Candler, John S.

**Box 1**

**Contents**

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Bible given to John C. Candler by his father Warren A. Candler

50th Anniversary Guestbook for Warren A. Candler & Sarah Curtright

Four Diplomas, Emory and Emory Oxford

Envelope from White House to Rt. Rev. and Mrs. W.A. Candler, 1653 N Decatur Rd  
From "The President and Mrs. Roosevelt" to "Bishop and Mrs. Candler", Response card

Boutonniere and Envelope: "Worn by me at our Golden Wedding, W. A. Candler"

Document: A Memorial presented to Board of Trustees of Emory University  
By Bishop W. N. Ainsworth

Postcard of cottage in Oxford, handwriting on back

Museum Storage: Fluted dish with handle and gold trim, "C" in middle  
Rosenthale, Barvaria; Decorative plate with gold edging and "C"  
J. P. L. FRANCE, Hallmark hard to see, another one says "ATLANTA"