

## DeKalb History Center

### George M. Everhart Papers

**Scope and content:** The George M. Everhart Papers contain photos, scrapbooks, notebooks, correspondence and genealogy information on the Everhart and Dowling families. It also contains several interesting artifacts collected by George Everhart's relatives.

**Provenance:** Gift of George M. Everhart, 1978 (Accession #1978.5, 1985.221)

**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. Citation should be as follows:

Description of specific item; George M. Everhart Papers, DeKalb History Center Archives

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**Size:** 3 archival boxes and various materials in museum storage.

**Biographical Sketch of George M. Everhart:** Dr. George Marlow Everhart (1826-1891) and his wife, Mary (1830-1916) moved around throughout their marriage. He was an ordained priest of the Episcopal Church and the president of the Huntsville (Alabama) Female College (1854-1859) and the Nashville (Tennessee) in 1860. During the Civil War, Dr. Everhart performed irregular hospital work and joined the army when a big battle was imminent. During the war, he also published and edited the "Church Intelligencer." He and his wife had nine children.

One of these children was Lay H. Everhart (1869-). He attended the United States Naval Academy (1886-1890). After graduation, he joined the United States Navy and traveled extensively, including a period in China. He was an officer on the *USS Baltimore* and the *USS Concord*. In 1904, he was forced to retire from the Navy at the rank of Lt. Commander because of budget cuts.

George M. Everhart was the son of Lay H. Everhart. He was married to Lucile Bell Everhart. He was a Canadian veteran and a member of the Signaller Club. Everhart worked for the Department of Transportation for the state of Georgia as a drafter, and later retired to Baptist Village, Georgia.

**Description:** The George M. Everhart Papers are composed mainly of scrapbooks, notebooks, letters, genealogy information, photos, and artifacts. The notebooks, scrapbooks, and artifacts were composed and collected primarily by L. H. Everhart, a Lieutenant in the United States Navy in the late 1800s and early 1900s.

The first box contains artifacts collected by L.H. Everhart, including several Asian dictionaries, a piece of the Great Wall of China, and a rock from the Rhine River in Europe. There are also two books of newspaper clippings from Lieutenant Everhart's travels and two journals of his notes.

The third box contains primarily correspondence concerning George M. Everhart and his family. Most of the letters date from the mid 1900s. There are also several photos of George Everhart and his fellow members on the Department of Transportation in the 1960s and 1970s, a record of his performance at the Veteran's School, and photos of L.H. Everhart and his graduating class from the Naval Academy in 1890. The fourth box contains a ship log kept by L.H. Everhart in 1910, a scrapbook from 1871-1914, and two notebooks from 1886-1888.

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

Main Entry: Everhart, George M.

Subject/Added Entries:

Everhart, Adelaide  
 Everhart Family  
 Everhart, L.H.  
 Dowling Family  
 Georgia Department of Transportation

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<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>	<b>Contents</b>	<b>Dates</b>
1		Stone taken from Great Wall of China	1895
		Royal Life Saving Society Medal	1934
		Stone from the Rhine River	
		Two books of Chinese Characters	
2	1	Dowling Family documents	1942-1963
	2	Ephemera – International currency, calling Cards, membership cards and prize ribbons	
	3	Everhart family information	
	4	George M. Everhart school records	
	5	Georgia Department of Transportation	1961-1991
	6	Incoming Correspondence to George And Lucille, some postcards	1961-1993
	7	Miscellaneous Correspondence	
	8	Miscellaneous papers	
	9	Newspaper clippings and obituaries	1908-1991
	10	Pamphlets	1985-1993
	11	Photographs, including L.H. Everhart Naval Academy class, 1985, USS Baltimore Crew 1934 and L.H. Everhart, 1910	
3		L.H. Everhart's Ship log	1910
		Scrapbook	1871-1914
		Notebook	1886-1887
		Notebook	1887-1888
		Scrapbook	1909-1910

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3		Journal as a cadet	1891
		Scrapbook of clippings from the Hong Kong Telegraph	April 1898- June 22, 1898
		School papers notebook	Oct 1888- May 1892

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**Box 1**                      **Contents**

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- 1 painting, Calvary Church in Fletcher NC (near Asheville) - grandfather's church
- 1 self portrait of Adelaide Everhart
- 1 portrait given by art director of Cantino School
- 1 book, Sketch & Fashion 1955-1985 by George Everhart
- 3 books by Adelaide Everhart
- 1 portrait Margaret Elliot Everhart

\*\* I only find 2 portraits, the sketch book and the 3 hardcover books 8-2010 JES