

# **James Wyche Green Papers**

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## Collection Summary

**Title:** James Wyche Green Papers

**Span Dates:** 1921-2006

**ID No.:** MSS85113

**Creator:** Green, James Wyche, 1915-2011

**Extent:** 3,000 items ; 12 containers plus 1 classified and 1 oversize ; 4.8 linear feet

**Language:** Collection material in English

**Location:** Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

**Summary:** Community development officer with the United States Agency for International Development, rural sociologist, and psychotherapist. Correspondence, writings, reports, publications, military records, biographical materials, journals, clippings, photographs, and other materials relating to Green's work in rural land use and overseas agricultural and industrial development.

## Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

### People

Green, James Wyche, 1915-2011.

### Organizations

Cornell University--Faculty.

Hargrave Military Academy--Students.

Johns Hopkins University. School of Advanced International Studies--Students.

United States. Agency for International Development.

University of North Carolina at Charlotte--Faculty.

### Subjects

Agricultural development projects.

Agriculture.

Farmhouses--North Carolina--Design and construction.

Farmhouses--Virginia--Design and construction.

Industrial development projects.

Industrialization.

Industries.

Land use, Rural--North Carolina.

Land use, Rural--Virginia.

Land use, Rural.

Meditation.

Psychotherapy.

Sociology, Rural.

Sociology.

Technical assistance, American--Pakistan.

Technical assistance, American--Panama.

Technical assistance, American--Peru.

Technical assistance, American--Yemen.

Technical assistance, American--Zimbabwe.

World War, 1939-1945--Europe.

### Occupations

Psychotherapists.

Sociologists.

# Administrative Information

## Provenance

The papers of James Wyche Green, community development officer with the United States Agency for International Development, rural sociologist, and psychotherapist, were given to the Library of Congress by Green in 2004. Additional items were given by him in 2008.

## Other Repositories

Other papers concerning James Wyche Green's early professional life in North Carolina can be found in the Special Collections Research Center, North Carolina State University Libraries, Raleigh, N.C.

## Copyright Status

Copyright in the unpublished writings of James Wyche Green in these papers and in other collections of papers in the custody of the Library of Congress has been dedicated to the public.

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## Security Classified Documents

Government regulations control the use of security classified material in this collection. Manuscript Division staff can furnish information concerning access to and use of classified materials.

## Preferred Citation

Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: Container number, James Wyche Green Papers, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

# Biographical Note

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>
1915, Aug. 5	Born, Alton, Va.
1934	Graduate, Hargrave Military Academy, Chatham, Va.
1938	B.S., Virginia Polytechnic Institute, Blacksburg, Va.
1939	M.S., Virginia Polytechnic Institute, Blacksburg, Va.
1939-1942	Assistant land use planning specialist, North Carolina State College Extension Service, Raleigh, N.C.
1940	Married Pearl O'Neal Cornett (died 1982)
1942-1946	Served from first lieutenant to captain, U.S. Army, Europe
1949-1954	Assistant professor of rural sociology, North Carolina State College, Raleigh, N.C.
1953	Ph.D., University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, N.C.

1954-1959	Community development advisor to the government of Pakistan, Agency for International Development, Karachi, Pakistan
1959	Postgraduate studies, Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies, Washington, D.C.
1960	Professor of rural sociology, Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y.
1960-1964	Community development advisor to the government of Southern Rhodesia, Agency for International Development, Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia
1964-1967	Community development advisor to the government of Peru, Agency for International Development, Lima, Peru
1967-1969	Community development advisor to the government of Panama, Agency for International Development, Balboa Canal Zone, Panama
1969-1970	Chairman, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, University of North Carolina, Charlotte, N.C.
1970-1974	Chief, Methodology Division, Technical Assistance Bureau, Agency for International Development, Washington, D.C.
1974-1975	Consultant, Technical Assistance Bureau, Agency for International Development, Washington, D.C.
1975	Contractor, Yemen Arab Republic rural development project, Agency for International Development, Sanaa, Yemen Lieutenant colonel reserve retired, U.S. Army
1983	Married Arlene Borkenhagen Warren (died 2013)
1994	Published <i>Integrative Meditation: Towards Unity of Mind, Body &amp; Spirit</i> . Falls Church, Va.: Integrative Meditation Seminars
2004	Published <i>And It Was Never Dull: A Memoir</i> . Falls Church, Va.: Integrative Meditation Seminars
2011, Aug. 21	Died, Fairfax County, Va.

## Scope and Content Note

The papers of James Wyche Green (1915-2011) span the years 1921-2006. The papers are in English and are organized into the following series: [Introductory Material](#), [Education and Land-Use Study](#), [United States Agency for International Development](#), [Personal Data](#), [Military Service](#), [Post-Government Career](#), [Miscellany](#), [Classified](#), and [Oversize](#).

The [Introductory Material](#) consists of an index written by Green, listing every item in the first twenty-seven volumes. Green arranged the collection within bound volumes before transfer to the library. Materials were removed from the volumes during processing, but the original arrangement was maintained. Each item is individually numbered within sections. The number corresponds to the item description in the index. Items in the twenty-eighth volume are not included in the index.

The [Education and Land-Use](#) series documents Green's graduate education in agricultural economics, particularly his focus on rural land-use and farmhouse building in Virginia and North Carolina. Materials include his master's thesis, a report on

field research conducted in Middle Grayson County, Virginia; and his doctoral dissertation, a field study of the sociological process of farmhouse building in North Carolina. Journal publications and writings from 1941 to 1954 explore farmhouse planning, location, decisions, and building; rural communities and group actions; and housing aid available to farmers. Other writings include class papers on sociological theory and methodology. Correspondence chiefly concerns Green's federal employment and appointment as a village advisor in Pakistan. There are scattered certificates and correspondence from Green's secondary education, including military training at Hargrave Military Academy, Chatham, Virginia.

The largest part of the collection consists of materials from Green's career as a community advisor to foreign governments for the [United States Agency for International Development](#). From 1954 to 1976, Green was stationed in Pakistan, Southern Rhodesia, Peru, Panama, Washington, D.C., and Yemen. The records document Green's scholarly interest in agricultural and industrial development, as well as his administrative role within the agency. There are consecutive quarterly reports spanning most of Green's overseas career. The reports describe major events and problems in personnel, program planning, supplies and equipment, program participants and execution, and training efforts. Some also include a summary of activities, allocation of staff time, and notes on local governments and administrations. Other materials include official publications; travel authorizations; notes and writings concerning training, supplies, health and sanitation, and staff duties; and performance evaluations and appraisals. Personal correspondence consists chiefly of requests for transfers from Green, and inquiries on the availability of university teaching positions for a sabbatical year. There are also some materials from Green's post-graduate work at Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies; appointment as professor of rural sociology at Cornell University; and one-year appointment as chair of the sociology department at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte.

The [Post-Government Career](#) series consists of correspondence, writings, and other materials from Green's retirement, including his new-found interest in psychotherapy and meditation. Correspondence with political leaders concerns mainly environmental and international issues. There are two published monographs written by Green: a book on integrative meditation and a personal memoir. There are also thirteen meditation journals in spiral-bound notebooks, with almost daily entries by Green from 13 April 1974 to 20 February 2006 detailing Green's daily life and his practice and teaching of meditation.

Other materials in the collection include [personal data](#), such as applications for employment and training, promotion and performance evaluations, and security investigation data; records from Green's [military service](#) during World War II in France, Belgium, Germany, and Austria, such as recommendations, reports, and transfer orders; and scattered newspaper clippings and photographs.

## Arrangement of the Papers

This collection is arranged in nine series:

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