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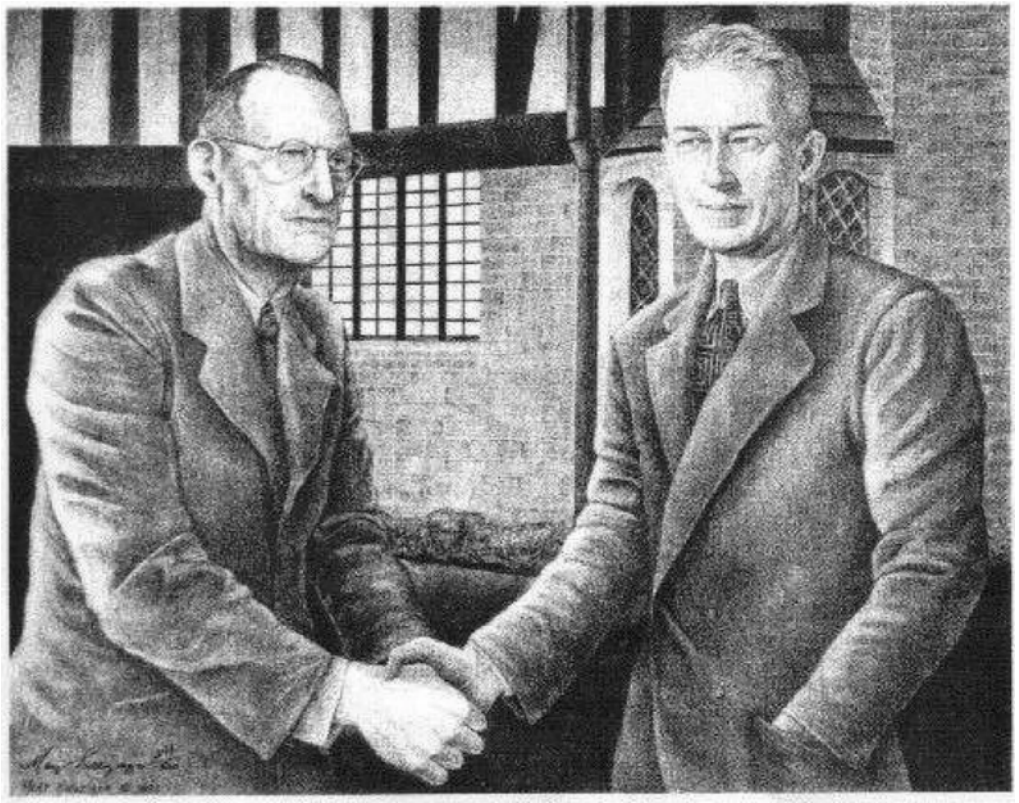

AREA 16
GEORGIA STATE SERVICE ASSEMBLY

Archives Committee

How Can We Use Archives To Better Reach The Newcomer?

Online Resources

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Archives Committee Presents

An Evening with Bill W in Pictures (Remastered)

This picture-packed presentation is is meant to shed a little more light on the life of our co-founder, Bill W., starting from his childhood, detailing aspects of his life into and throughout the Big Book starting from Chapter 1.

Video Presentation on the Life of Dr Bob

This picture-packed presentation is meant to shed a little more light on the life of our other co-founder, Dr. Bob. Same as above, it's also meant to expound on his life as a young lad: his drinking, sobriety and well into his story "Doctor Bob's Nightmare."

Video Presentation on the Life of Dr Silkworth

This picture-packed presentation is meant to shed a little more light on the life of our society's "Great Medical Benefactor", Dr. William D Silkworth. His description of the alcoholic's problem (Allergy and Obsession),'The Doctor's Opinion,' and how one recovers.

Video Presentation on Sister Ignatia

Same thing, but this time we look at Sister Ignatia, whom Dr. Bob called the "Little Angle of AA." Her work with Dr. Bob, in and around AA, paved the way for alcoholics to be medically and spiritually treated, a practice ongoing to this very day.

The Oxford Group Comes to Akron

Ever wonder where our "Practical Program Of Action" came from (i.e. The Steps)? This details exactly how, where, and when steps 3 - 12 originated from, and how they found their way into the hands of Bill W. (in N.Y.) and Dr. Bob (in Akron) - plus the formation of the first group of recovered alcoholics in 1935.

"Evolution of the Spiritual Experience"

This presentation is meant to shed light on our program's "Spiritual Solution" from our Big Book. The "Vital Spiritual Experience" is described in the chapter "There Is A Solution", with Rowland Hazard, Dr Carl Jung and William James. The path continues into additional chapters "More About Alcoholism" and "We Agnostics."

"Women of Alcoholics Anonymous"

(requires standard GSSA password)

These pioneering women were not only responsible for alcoholics getting sober, some were even responsible for the founding of AA in several cities. Others expanded the spread of AA to distant lands. Included is an overall public awareness campaign to break the stigma, and some helped to keep our fellowship united.

"How the Media Grew AA"

This shows the invaluable spread of AA in our earliest days - getting the word out. Before our traditions came to be, these outside advocates (mostly non-alcoholics) spread the news to the world that there is a solution to the age-old curse of alcoholism. We could never have done this ourselves, even if we tried.

Past Online Video Presentations

"Big Book - Concept to Print"

Chronicles how our Big Book was written, edited and printed, starting from our early fellowship's breakaway from the Oxford Group. Hospitals? Missionaries? Until we settling on writing a book. From the first idea in 1937 to the 1st Printing April 10 1939.

"No Frank Amos, No AA"

This presentation details the vital involvement of the Rockefeller men who aided us in our earliest development: Funding - Advice- Alcoholic Foundation Board (GSB) - Official Works Publishing - even our Fundraising, not to mention our most vital Traditions.

"1st Georgia AA Meeting"

The first meetings in Georgia (We Think??). A delicate story, including isolated alcoholics' letters, experienced alcoholics visiting on business trips, and AA members moving in to carrying their vital AA experience. 1st Groups & Clubhouses formed in the early 1940's.

"Corrections History"

One of AA's most vital committees in reaching alcoholics. Chronicles how AA was able to carry the message inside local jails, state correctional facilities, and penitentiaries. AA's game-changing involvement within these wall caused the entire system to re-evaluate. Georgia had one of the first groups.

"Emmanuel Movement"

Where did we get several of the concepts found in our Big Book and our fellowship? We borrowed them from the Emmanuel Movement based out of Emmanuel Church in Boston (one of the first to combine medical and spiritual /religious applications to alcoholism). Also, in the same church, the Jacoby Club whose motto was "Help Themselves by Helping Others," was aimed at alcoholics.

"The General Service Conference"

PARTS 1 and 2

Along with our 'Traditions' that keep us united, the General Service Conference is another path that keeps AA alive. This face-to-face gathering allows our groups to have a voice and a say in the direction of AA. Bill called the whole process our three Legacies: Recovery, Unity, and Service. We, the groups of AA, became the successors to the co-founders.

"The AA Grapevine"

A close look at how the AA Grapevine came into existence. Initialy it was to be a local recovery news reader for NY, see the path it took, 1st to link the AA groups to NY then becoming the national, then international and how it was used to spread awarness of AA to alcoholics everywhere.

"History of AA in Treatment Facilities"

This looks at the path AA took to become a vital part of an individual's recovery, a concept like 'Alcoholics can be Treated.' People like Sister Ignatia and Charles B Towns from Towns Hospital would only treat alcoholics who had trusted AA sponsors directly from AA, who instilled how crucial it was to return that gift to the new person.