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**Abstract**

Records of the Women’s Board of Domestic Missions of the Reformed Church in America. Materials include annual reports, publications, and Program Series materials relating to work among immigrants, Native Americans (Indians), and people living in the Kentucky Mountains.

**Accession No:** W88-0308  
**Provenance:** Women’s Board of Domestic Missions  
**Donor:** Information Unavailable  
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**History**

The Women’s Board of Domestic Missions (WBDM) was organized in 1882 as the Women’s Executive Committee of the Board of Domestic Missions of the Reformed Church in America (RCA). The name change occurred in 1910. Throughout the years, the women supported various mission stations throughout the United States. Eventually, the Board was absorbed into the Board of Domestic Missions of the RCA.

**Scope and Content**

The Women’s Board of Domestic Missions records consist of materials from 1884-1932. Included are annual reports, publications, and materials of the Program of the Month Series. The main source of information in this collection is found in the annual reports. There are both bound and unbound copies of these. Although incomplete, the reports list the names of people involved in the organization, describe the work accomplished at the mission stations, and provide financial information. Beginning in 1934, the annual reports were printed with those of the Board of North American Missions (W88-0304).

**Container List**

**Box 1**

- Newsletters, 1933-1934
- Program of the Month Series  
  - Brickman, Helen M. and Martha Okazaki. *America is Theirs, Too*, 1945-1946  
  - Callaster, Mrs. J. H. *Why Worry About Immigrants?* n.d.  
  - *The City Challenges the Church*, 1938-1939  
  - *Discovering the Orientals in the United States*, 1935-1937  
  - Kempers, Mabel Van Dyke. *Next Door Neighbors*, 1942-1943
Resch, Mrs. Arthur. *That Men Shall Brothers Be*, 1939-1940
*Toward a Christian America*, 1935-1937

Programs, 1928, n.d.
Publications (2 folders)
*Another Look*, n.d.
Carter, William. *Home Missions and the Great West*, 1907
Cooke, Stella O. *Little Joe*, n.d.
Dosker, Mr. C. *Mothers and Missions*, 1911
*Fifty Years with America’s First Families*, 1941
Folmsbee, Mrs. Bradley J. *Our Family Visits the Indians*, n.d.
*Gateway*, n.d.
*Golden Years in Miniature: A History of the Women’s Board of Domestic Missions of the Reformed Church in America*, 1932
Henderson, Betty and Joe. *Strength to Match the Mountains*, 1947
Hoekje, Hanna G. *Cabins and Clearings*, n.d.
*Homemaking and Manual Training in Annville Institute, Kentucky*, n.d.
*The Japanese in America*, n.d.
*Let Freedom Ring*, n.d. (revised version also)
*Power Plant in the Mountains*, n.d.
*The Reformed Church in the Kentucky Mountains*, n.d.
*Reformed Church Indian Americans*, 1932
*Shepherd of the Hills*, n.d.

Bound

*Annual Reports*, 1884-1916, 1921-1931 (6 volumes)