Charles W. Havens (1903-1996) Papers

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BIографICAL NOTE

Charles “Charlie” W. Havens, was born in 1903 in Rome, New York. He entered Western Maryland College in 1926, transferring from Colgate University. He played football as center for WMC from 1926-1929, captaining the team in 1929. Havens was named to the All-Maryland football team in 1928 and 1929, and in 1929 was also an honorable mention Associated Press All-American. While a student at WMC, Havens also played baseball and lacrosse.

After graduating in 1930 from WMC with a bachelor’s degree in English and History, Havens played professional football for the Frankford Yellow Jackets (forerunners of the current Philadelphia Eagles). Havens returned to WMC in 1931 as assistant football coach, leaving a year later to coach at St. Aloysius Academy, and returning as WMC assistant coach in 1934. He was named head coach in 1935.

Havens joined the Army Air Corps in 1942 and became an intelligence officer with the 486th Bomber Group in Sudbury, England. On May 20, 1944, two B-24 Bombers collided. Risking his own life, Havens ran to the wreckage and pulled out 22 men, 12 of whom survived. For his action, he received the Soldier’s Medal, the highest award for noncombat bravery. After World War II, Havens returned to WMC as football coach, also coaching baseball, basketball, lacrosse, and boxing, teaching physical education and health, and working as Director of Athletics. He retired from WMC in 1956, and taught for 12 years in Carroll County Public Schools.

He served in various capacities with many professional associations such as the Intercollegiate Boxing Association (Secretary-Treasurer), the United States Intercollegiate Lacrosse Association (member of the executive council), the Mason-Dixon Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (President) and the Middle-Atlantic Athletic Conference (President). Havens served for many years as Director of the City Playground (Westminster) and was actively involved with the City Parks Board and the Recreation Council, and was known as the “Father of Recreation in Carroll County” because of his countywide efforts in establishing recreational programs. He also served for many years as a member of the Westminster Volunteer Fire Department and its ambulance crew. Havens was also a charter member of the Westminster Rotary Club. In 1970, the Western Maryland College Alumni Association recognized him as one of Western Maryland’s outstanding alumni by bestowing upon him its prestigious meritorious Service Award.

Havens was married for 46 years to the former Jessie Money, who died in 1981. He had two children, Richard G. Havens, and Charles W. Havens III. Havens died in May, 1996.

References:
SCOPE AND CONTENT

This collection consists of materials produced and collected by Charles W. Havens. Materials include personal correspondence and papers/correspondence relating to Havens’ tenure as football coach at Western Maryland College, limited personal materials about Charles “Rip” Engle and Richard “Dick” Harlow. Other materials include newspaper clippings about Engles, Harlow, and Havens, as well as photographs of Havens and the Green Terror Football team (undated). Programs from banquets attended by Havens and in Havens’ honor are also a substantial part of the collection. WMC football game programs and other sports programs from the late 1920s to the late 1950s also make up the bulk of collection materials.

ORGANIZATION AND ARRANGEMENT

Materials arrived minimally organized and unsorted in several file boxes. Programs and published materials were separated from unpublished materials and arranged chronologically. Unpublished materials were organized by type of material (correspondence, certificates, photographs, etc.) and by subject (WMC Correspondence, Richard “Dick” Harlow, etc.), and arranged chronologically within their folders. Newspaper clippings were separated into their own folders for preservation purposes, and do not have a particular arrangement. Photographs were separated into their own folder for preservation purposes.

LANGUAGE OF MATERIALS

English.

CONTAINER LIST

Box 1: Correspondence, Papers, Photographs
Box 2: Banquets, Sports Programs, WMC Football Programs
Box 3: WMC Football Programs
Box 4: Papers, Newspaper Clippings, Photographs

INVENTORY

Box 1: Correspondence, Papers, Photographs
  F1: Correspondence – Personal (1957-1987, u.d.)
  F2: Correspondence – WMC (1940-1969, u.d.)
  F3: Correspondence – Miscellaneous (1977, 1987, u.d.)
  F4: Notes, Athletic Rosters
  F5: Miscellaneous Papers
  F6: Rip Engle – M.S.
F7: Rip Engle – Newspaper Clippings
F8: Richard “Dick” Harlow – M.S.
F9: Richard “Dick” Harlow – Newspaper Clippings
F10: WMC Publications
F14: Newspaper Clippings Album
F15: Photographs
F16: RESTRICTED MATERIALS

Box 2: Banquets, Sports Programs, WMC Football Programs
F17: Banquets (1957-1996)
F18: Scholar Athlete Award Banquet/Dinner Programs (1964-1972)
F19: Scholar Athlete Award Dinner Programs (1973-1983)
F20: Scholar Athlete Award Dinner Programs (1984-1993)
F22: Football Programs – Other/Non-WMC (1929, 1931-1937, 1939)
F24: Football Programs – WMC (1927, 1928)

Box 3: WMC Football Programs
F25: Football Programs – WMC (1929)
F26: Football Programs – WMC (1935, 1936, 1939)
F27: Football Programs – WMC (1940, 1946-1949)
F28: Football Programs – WMC (1950, 1951)
F29: Football Programs – WMC (1952)
F31: Football Programs – WMC (1955, 1956)

Box 4: Papers, Newspaper Clippings, Photographs
F33: “Football – Extra Pictures” [Photocopies]
F34: Certificates
F35: Newspaper Clippings
Unfolded: Photographs, framed photographs, rolled certificates
ADDITIONAL CATALOG ENTRIES

Persons:
Bertholf, Lloyd M.
Biasi, Irvin
Chambers, Robert H.
Clower, Richard
Engle, Charles "Rip"
Ensor, Lowell S.
Harlow, Richard "Dick"
Havens, Charles W.
Herr, Ira R.
Hitchcock, Fern R.
Holloway, Fred G.
Uhrig, Philip E.
Wolfsheimer, Nelson J.
Zepp, Ira

Corporate Bodies:
Western Maryland College

Subjects:
Alumni and Alumnae of Western Maryland College
Athletics
Biography
Football
Western Maryland College

Genres and Forms:
Clippings
Correspondence
Manuscripts
Newsletters
Newspapers
Pamphlets
Photographs
Programs
Publications