Department or Office: Office of the President

Collection Title: Adron Doran Oral History Project

Record Group Number: RG019-15-33

Date transferred: No transfer date listed.

Processed by: Dakota Barr

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Size of Collection: 2.0 linear feet.

Number of Boxes: 1 record cassette container, 1 compact disc container and 1 oversize box.

Type of Material: Audio cassettes and CDs.

Condition of Material: Good.

Arrangement: Organized alphabetically by title of file; Chronological arrangement.

Historical Information: Adron Doran was the seventh president of Morehead State University from 1954 to 1976. He was born at Boydsville, Kentucky on September 1, 1901. Doran graduated from Cuba High School in Graves County, Kentucky in 1928. He was a student at Freed-Hardeman College in Henderson, Tennessee from 1928 to 1930 and later earned a Bachelors’ degree in 1932 and Masters’ degree in 1948 from Murray State University. He received his Doctorate in Education from the University of Kentucky in 1950. For fifteen years prior to becoming president of Morehead State, Doran was a high school teacher, principal, and basketball coach. He served two and one-half years as Director of Teacher Education and Certification in the Kentucky State Department of Education. Doran served four terms in the Kentucky House of Representatives (1943-1951) and was Speaker of that House in 1950 and 1951. He also served as president of the Board of Directors of the Kentucky Education Association and as a member of the Legislative Commission of the National Education Association and Southern Regional Education Board of Directors. In 1971 he received the Horatio Alger Award from the Association of American Schools and Colleges. Adron Doran died November 23, 2001 at the age of 92 and buried at Highland Park Cemetery in Mayfield, Kentucky.
**Scope and Content:** Collection consists of audio cassette tapes of oral history interviews conducted with individuals who knew or worked with Adron Doran, president of Morehead State University from 1954 to 1976. The recordings include interviews with former educators and politicians from the State of Kentucky before and immediately following Doran’s retirement in 1976.

**Subject Headings / Descriptors:**
Morehead State University – History.
Morehead State College – History
Morehead State University – Presidents
Doran, Adron, 1901-2001.
Doran, Mignon
Carroll, Julian Morton
Cassity, Lloyd
Chandler, Albert Benjamin Sr.
Combs, Bertram Thomas
Graves, Octavia
Hamilton, Holman
Hornbeck, Ray
Jones, Earle D.
Juett, Tillman
Kelly, Arthur
McBrayer, W. Terry
Nunn, Louis Broady
Roland, Charles
Singletary, Otis A.
Sparks, Harry M.
Richard Van Hoose
Waterfield, Harry Lee
Wetherby, Lawrence
Morehead (Ky.)
Graves County (Ky.)

**Notes:**