

**Morehead State University  
Special Collections & Archives  
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**Department or Office:** Office of the President

**Collection Title:** Adron Doran Papers

**Record Group Number:** RG019-19-05

**Date transferred:** Date of transferred not recorded.

**Processed by:** Elizabeth Brewer

**Cataloged by:** Dieter C. Ulrich

**Date Listed:** August 1, 2019

**Date Span:** 1922-2008

**Size of Collection:** 70 linear feet.

**Number of Boxes:** 61 letter size document cases, 1 letter half size document case, 2 legal half size document case, 5 photograph storage cases, 8 record center boxes, 7 artifact boxes and 11 oversize boxes.

**Type of Material:** Correspondence, office files, speeches, ephemera, newspaper clippings, photographs, audio and video recordings, daybooks, scrapbooks, artifacts, etc.

**Condition of Material:** Good.

**Arrangement:** Organized by type of format; Arranged alphabetically and chronologically.

**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:** The collection consists of the papers of Adron and Mignon Doran, former president and first lady of Morehead State University from 1954 to 1976. The collection contains personal and professional correspondence (1924-2006), office files (1927-2002), speeches (1920s-2000), ephemera (1920s-2007), newspaper clippings (1920s-2008), photographs (1920s-2000s), daybooks, diaries, scrapbooks, audio and video recordings (197?-1997), artifacts, portraits, certificates, degrees etc. of Dr. and Mrs. Doran from 1922 to 2008.

**Subject Headings / Descriptors:**

Doran, Adron, 1901-2001.

Doran, Mignon, 1910-2007.

Morehead State University. Office of the President.

Morehead State University – History.

Morehead State College – History.

Morehead State University – Presidents.

Morehead State University – Photographs.

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