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Introduction

Provenance

The originals of these papers had been deposited in the foundation stone of the Mariental Dutch Reformed Church (DRC) on 11 September 1920. They were found and removed during renovations of the church in 2005, and brought to the National Archives for preservation measures by the Dutch Reformed Church Archives.

Processing

All original documents were on very brittle acidic paper in very poor preservation status. They had been kept in a tight roll until discovery, and in this state were impossible to open without damage. They were therefore acclimatized at the National Archives in 2005 for a week at 70 % relative humidity and then unrolled and flattened under pressure for several weeks, and were taken out at 40% humidity.

After flattening, the documentary papers (Part A) were photocopied for the National Archives, and the originals returned to the DRC Archives.

Part B (newspapers) were not requested back by the DRC, and therefore kept by the NAN as originals. They are extremely soiled with dust and paper debris, but also so extremely brittle that no further cleaning was attempted. The newspapers were packed for flat storage without folding, and are shelved with the large-format materials.

The material was indexed on the ACCPT database.

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Listing

Part A. Photocopies of original documents

1.	Speciale collecte lijst voor den kerkgebouw te Marienthal getekend op den Sept. 1919 te Marienthal (typewritten, 8 leaves)
2.	Notule van publieke vergadering gehou op Mariental op 1ste September, 1920 (typewritten, 1 leaf) [Concerns "1. Die stigting van een Tak hier van die Suid West Vereniging, en 2. Ontvangst van Generaal Smuts"]
3.	Agenda. (typewritten, 1 leaf, badly damaged) [Belongs to no.2]
4.	Een beknopte geskiedenis van de N.G. Gemeente Gibeon Z.W. Afrika. (handwritten, 6 paginated leaves, fol.6 torn with text loss) [Signed by Eerw. E.J. Leonard, 11 Sept. 1920]
5.	[beginning of title illegible] [Aanspra]ak bij legging van steen. (handwritten, 4 paginated leaves, fol.2 torn with some text loss, fol.3+4 torn with considerable text loss) [Signed by E.J. Leonard, 11.9.1920]

Note: The originals of Part A remain with the Dutch Reformed Church Archives.

Part B. Original newspapers [*Stored separately as large formats: A.0828 L*]

6.	De Burger 31.8.1920
7.	Uittreksels uit De Burger 28 en 30.8.1920
8.	Die Volksblad 31.8.1920
9.	Landes-Zeitung für Südwestafrika 4.9.1920
10.	Allgemeine Zeitung 9.9.1920