

FRANCIS ALEXANDER MCGAW PROFESSORSHIP IN RELIGION

ENDNOTES

¹ See *Berea College Bulletin: Catalog Issue (1973–1974)* (Berea, Kentucky: Berea College Press, September 1974), 37. Also see, “McGaw Professorships: Berea College / Berea, Kentucky,” page 8 (Special Collections and Archives, Hutchins Library, Berea College: Record Group No. 5.23, Series 2, Box 71, Folder 12; Record Group: Administrative Divisions; Subgroup: Alumni and College Relations, “Publicity and Publications” [Berea, Kentucky]). Foster Glendale McGaw (b. 7 March 1897 — d. 16 April 1986) was the fourth child and the only son of his parents: Francis Alexander McGaw and Alice C. (Millar) McGaw (herself born 28 January 1859 – died 21 May 1910) (see the short article on “Alice Millar” on the webpages for the Alice Millar Chapel and Religious Center of Northwestern University: <https://www.northwestern.edu/millarchapel/chapel-history/history-of-alice-millar/alice-millar.html>). Although coming from humble means (or “poverty” as he regarded his origins), Foster G. McGaw himself achieved amazing financial success, through establishing the American Hospital Supply Corporation in 1922 (Chicago, Illinois). He contributed much of his financial fortune to numerous philanthropic causes. In 1972, the same year that Mr. and Mrs. Foster McGaw donated funds to endow and to establish the Francis Alexander McGaw Professorship in Religion at Berea College, the McGaws also donated funds to establish and to endow three additional academic professorships at Berea College: The Foster G. McGaw Chair in Nursing; the Mary W. McGaw Chair in Music; and the Carter G. Woodson Chair in African American History. Additionally, Foster McGaw both donated one million dollars to McCormick Theological Seminary (Chicago, Illinois) to build the Francis Alexander McGaw Memorial Library and funds to Northwestern University (Evanston, Illinois) to construct the Alice Millar Chapel and Religious Center, among numerous other donations to philanthropic causes (see Marvin C. Wilbur, “Giving Is His Business,” *Presbyterian Life* [December 1967]: 12–14, 37] [Special Collections and Archives, Hutchins Library, Berea College; Record Group No. 3.06, Box 78, Folder 7: “General Subject – McGaw, Foster G. 1967–1972”; Record Group: Willis D. Weatherford, Jr.; Subgroup: BCA [Berea, Kentucky] and Arnold R. Weber, “The Remarkable Foster McGaw” *Chicago Tribune* [7 June 1986]: <https://www.chicagotribune.com/news/ct-xpm-1986-06-07-8602100860-story.html> accessed: 11 September 2021).

² See *Berea College Bulletin: Catalog Issue (1973–1974)* (Berea, Kentucky: Berea College Press, September 1974), 37. Also see, “McGaw Professorships: Berea College / Berea, Kentucky,” page 8 (Special Collections and Archives, Hutchins Library, Berea College: Record Group No. 5.23, Series 2, Box 71, Folder 12; Record Group: Administrative Divisions; Subgroup: Alumni and College Relations, “Publicity and Publications” [Berea, Kentucky]).

³ *Berea College Bulletin: College Catalog Issue (1965–1966)*, series 23, no. 1 (Berea, Kentucky: Berea College Press, September 1965), 114 (Special Collections and Archives, Hutchins Library, Berea College [Berea, Kentucky]).

⁴ *Berea College Catalog: 1977–1979*, series 34, no. 4 (Berea, Kentucky: Berea College Press, September 1977), 148 (Special Collections and Archives, Hutchins Library, Berea College [Berea, Kentucky]); and *Supplement to Berea College Bulletin: Catalog Issue (1991–93)* (Berea, Kentucky: Berea College Press, 1991), 26, 34.

⁵ *Berea College Catalog: 2001–2003* (Berea, Kentucky: Berea College Press, September 2001), 268 (Special Collections and Archives, Hutchins Library, Berea College [Berea, Kentucky]).

⁶ *Berea College Catalog: 2013–14* (Berea, Kentucky: Berea College Press, 2013), 145, 374 (Special Collections and Archives, Hutchins Library, Berea College [Berea, Kentucky]).

⁷ *Berea College Catalog: 1985–1987*, series 43, no. 4 (Berea, Kentucky: Berea College Press, September 1985), 147, 216 (Special Collections and Archives, Hutchins Library, Berea College [Berea, Kentucky]).

⁸ *Supplement to Berea College Bulletin: Catalog Issue (2001–2002)* (Berea, Kentucky: Berea College Press, 2001), 43, 51 (*Supplement*), 186, 263 (*Bulletin*) (Special Collections and Archives, Hutchins Library, Berea College [Berea, Kentucky]).

⁹ *Berea College Catalog: 2014–15* (Berea, Kentucky: Berea College Press, 2014), 262 (Special Collections and Archives, Hutchins Library, Berea College [Berea, Kentucky]).

¹⁰ *Berea College Catalog: 2015–16* (Berea, Kentucky: Berea College Press, 2015), 308 (Special Collections and Archives, Hutchins Library, Berea College [Berea, Kentucky]).

¹¹ *Berea College Catalog: 2018–19* (Berea, Kentucky: Berea College Press, 2018), 14 (Special Collections and Archives, Hutchins Library, Berea College [Berea, Kentucky]).