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**Olson, John Helmer. Journals and Writings of Reverend John  
Helmer Olson, 1911-1951.**

**LCA Collection 88**

**Olson, John Helmer. Journals and Writings of Reverend John Helmer Olson, 1911-1951. LCA Collection 88. 1 Records Center Carton and 1 ½ Hollinger boxes.**

**ABSTRACT:**

The John Helmer Olson collection contains journals, manuscripts, and newspaper clippings of items written by Olson. He wrote articles, short stories, sermons, and newspaper columns, many of which were published in the *Lutheran Companion* and other church publications. Olson was born in Sweden on 23 August 1897 and moved to the United States in 1906. He graduated from Gustavus Adolphus College in 1919 and from Augustana Theological Seminary in 1921. He worked in parishes in Great Falls, Montana, Chicago, Illinois, St. Peter, Minnesota, and Evanston, Illinois. Olson passed away on 2 August 1953. Materials are organized by date.

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**SUBJECT HEADINGS:**

Olson, John Helmer, 1897-.  
Clergy -- Illinois.  
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Lutheran Church--Clergy.  
Lutheran Church--Sermons.

<b>LCA Collection 88</b>	<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>
Gåfvan, I Skumrasket, and Religious Essays, 1911-27	1	1
Literary Quarterlies, 1925-26	1	2
Writings, 1927-29	1	3
Manuscripts and Diaries, 1930-31	1	4
Manuscripts, 1932	1	5
Manuscripts, 1933	1	6
Journal and Writings, 1934	1	7
Writings, 1935	1	8
Journal and Writings, 1936	1	9
Literary Review, 1937	1	10
Literary Efforts, 1938	1	11
Literary Campaign Record, 1938	1	12
Miscellaneous Clippings, 1938 and 1940	2	1
Journal: Literature and Sermons, 1939	2	2
Letters, Pamphlets, and Clippings, 1939	2	3
Stories, Essays, and Sketches, 1930s and undated	2	4
Literature and Sermons, 1940	2	5
"In Our Valley," 1940-45	2	6
Journal, 1941	2	7
Journal, 1942	2	8
Journal, 1943	3	1
Journal, 1944	3	2
<i>The Spectator</i> , 1945-52	3	3
"The Imagination of a Parson," 1951	3	4