Guide to Dorothy Oak Scrapbook  
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## Summary Information

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<th>Repository</th>
<th>Barnard Archives and Special Collections</th>
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<td>Creator</td>
<td>Oak, Dorothy</td>
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<td>Date [inclusive]</td>
<td>1913-1918</td>
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<td>Extent</td>
<td>2.38 Linear feet; 2 document boxes, 1 oversize box</td>
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<td>Location note</td>
<td>This collection is stored offsite and advance notice is required for access. To use this collection, please contact the Barnard Archives and Special Collections at 212.854.4079 or <a href="mailto:archives@barnard.edu">archives@barnard.edu</a></td>
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<td>Abstract</td>
<td>This collection consists of the scrapbook of Barnard alumna Dorothy Oak. Materials range from Oak's pre-Barnard Days at Miss Mary Schoonmaker’s School for Girls in 1913 until her graduation from Barnard in 1918.</td>
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### Preferred Citation

Dorothy Oak Scrapbook, 1913-1918; Box and Folder; Barnard Archives and Special Collections, Barnard Library, Barnard College
Biography

Dorothy Oak grew up in New York City and graduated from Miss Mary Schoonmaker’s School for Girls in 1913. She entered Barnard College in 1914 where she majored in Botany. Oak was a member of the Botanical Club, the Geology Club, the Outdoor Club, and the Young Women’s Christian Association. She earned an MA at Teachers College in 1921, and taught biology at various high schools in Manhattan. She died in 1958, and in 1959, a gift to the Memorial Scholarship Fund was given in honor of Oak after her death.

Collection Scope and Content Summary

Dorothy Oak's scrapbook holds materials from 1913 to 1918. Material includes luncheon invitations and programs from Barnard activities; dance cards; newspaper clippings of articles related to Barnard and the World War I war effort; personal correspondence; and amateur photographs.

Many of the World War I materials focus on the Dartmouth Regiment. Also notable are the inclusion of commencement programs and fliers from Oak’s high school, Miss Mary Schoonmaker’s School for Girls, and information about the Famerettes, women who worked on farms to take the place of male farm hands who had gone to war.

Collection Arrangement

The scrapbook has been unmounted and the material stored in separate folders by page. A binder of photocopies of the scrapbook shows how the pages were originally arranged. A separate flat box contains the front and back cover of the scrapbook as well as a single pressed rose.

Administrative Information

Publication Information
Access

This collection has no restrictions.

Publication Rights

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Reproduction Restrictions

Photocopies or scans may be made for research purposes.

Accruals

No additions are expected.

Acquisition Information

The acquisition date and source is unknown.

Processing History

This finding aid was written by Johana Godfrey in October 2011. This finding aid was updated by Alice Griffin in July 2015.

Descriptive Rules Used: Finding aid adheres to that prescribed by Describing Archives: A Content Standard


Finding aid written in English.

Alternative Forms of Material

A microfilm version of the Dorothy Oak Scrapbook is in box 4 of the microfilms.

Controlled Access Headings

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Genre(s)

- Correspondence
- Scrapbooks

Subject(s)

- Barnard College--Alumni and alumnae
- Student activities
- Students--Social life and customs
- Women's colleges--New York (State)--New York
- World War, 1914-1918
## Collection Inventory

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