Guide to Sophie Parsons Woodman Scrapbook BC15.08

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Summary Information

Repository Barnard Archives and Special Collections

Title Sophie Parsons Woodman Scrapbook

Date 1907

Extent 3.61 Linear feet; 2 bound volumes, 1 oversize box

Physical Location 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 archives@barnard.edu.

Language English

Abstract This collection consists of the scrapbook of Barnard alumna Sophie

Parsons Woodman. The collections includes newspaper clippings,

photographs, and personal ephemera.

Preferred Citation

Sophie Parsons Woodman Scrapbook, 1905-1907; Barnard College Archives, Barnard Library, Barnard College.

Biography

Sophie Parsons Woodman was born in 1886 in New York City. Woodman entered Barnard College in 1903 and graduated in 1907. She served as the historian of her junior class, the president of the Barnard chapter of the Young Women's Christian Association, and was a founding member of the New York Beta chapter of the Pi Beta Phi fraternity for women. After graduation, she established the Barnard Alumnae Bulletin in 1912, serving as the first editor. She earned a MA at Columbia in 1930, and went on to teach history at Evander Childs High School in the Bronx. Woodman was a member of the American Association of University Women.

Collection Scope and Content Summary

The Sophie Parsons Woodman Scrapbook contains clippings of newspaper articles about Barnard, amateur black and white photographs, formal portraits, invitations to college events, dance cards, programs, sorority memorabilia from Pi Beta Phi, and play brochures. A highlight of the collection is a place-card from the 1907 Senior Supper, which reads "Everything comes/to those who wait,/and the Lazy Man/waits to greet it/but success comes up/with a rapid gait/to the fellow/who goes to meet it."

Also included in the collection are press clippings about "Barnard Tree Day," when the classes planted a tree in the Milbank Quad, as well as instructions and a timetable for the events of the ceremony. A custom box holds materials that are not flat, such as a pressed, dried rose, a flag from Deutscher Kreis at Barnard College, and the original boards of the scrapbook before conservation.

Collection Arrangement

The scrapbook collection is housed in two bound volumes and arranged chronologically. Ephemera is also arranged chronologically and stored in a flat box.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Access

This collection has no restrictions.

Publication Rights

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Accruals

No additions are expected.

Acquisition Information

The acquisition date and source is unknown.

Processing History

This collection was processed by Heather Lember in 2013. The finding aid was updated by Dinah Handel in August 2015.

Controlled Access Headings

Genre(s)

Scrapbooks

Subject(s)

- Barnard College--Alumni and alumnae
- Students--Social life and customs
- Women's colleges--New York (State)--New York

Conservation

The scrapbook has been disassembled and the individual pages have been encased in mylar. A separate box houses ephemera acquired with the collection.

Collection Inventory

	Box
Loose Items Removed from Scrapbook, 1904-1907	1
Scrapbook, 1904-1907	2