



Archival and Manuscript Collections Finding Aid

ACCESSION No.: HRHS - 134

COLLECTION TITLE: Bonnie Painter Collection

DATES: 1928, 1929

SIZE: 1 folder

DONOR: Bonnie Painter

PROCESSED: Processed 12/10/2014

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE:

Founded in 1908 as a women's college, James Madison University was established by the Virginia General Assembly. It was originally called *The State Normal and Industrial School for Women* at Harrisonburg. In 1914, the name of the university was changed to the *State Normal School for Women at Harrisonburg*. At first, academic offerings included only today's equivalent of technical training or junior college courses; however authorization to award bachelor's degrees was granted in 1916. During this initial period of development, the campus plan was established and six buildings were constructed.

The university became the *State Teachers College at Harrisonburg* in 1924 and continued under that name until 1938, when it was named *Madison College* in honor of James Madison, the fourth President of the United States. In 1976, the university's name was changed to James Madison University.^[4]

SCOPE AND CONTENT:

This collection contains miscellaneous items relating to State Teachers College in Harrisonburg, VA., including a picture postcard of Maury Science Hall, commencement programs from 1928 and 1929, and college activities brochures for two plays, a piano recital, a tree planting program, a May Day festival as well as an a cappella choir concert from 1928 or 1929. Also contains a small catalogue book, "The Man", published by B. Ney and Sons of Harrisonburg.

COLLECTION INVENTORY:

Postcard, Maury Science Hall
Picture booklet "State Normal School"
Commencement Program, 1928.
Commencement program, 1929 (2).

Program, Smallman A Cappella Choir, 1929.

Play Program, 1928.

Play Program, 1929.

Program, Tree Planting, 1929.

Program, May Day Festival, 1929.

“The Man” book