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**Manuscript Group 87
Indiana College Club Collection**

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1 box, 1.5 linear feet

Biographical Note

The Indiana College Club was organized in 1918 by faculty of Indiana State Normal School and Indiana community members. According to a letter in the collection, the Indiana College Club was created because the members "felt that culture was important, but that [they] had not been out of school long enough to know how little [they] knew." In 1920, the group was active in establishing a scholarship fund, which was financed by the initiation fee of \$5.00. The club was limited to 50 members, all of whom were local college graduates.

Scope and Content

The Indiana College Club papers are housed in one archival box. These papers include an overview of the club by charter member Louise Walsh, Dean of Education at Indiana State Normal School and later Indiana State Teachers College. Her brief description records the history of the organization from 1918 to 1949. Seven meeting minute books, dating from 1920 to 1980, are also included in the collection, which record club activities of musicals, lectures, and general meetings. Eventually, membership included college graduates from well beyond the original geographical limits, extending throughout various states and even welcomed representatives from other counties.

Provenance

Unknown.

Restrictions

None.

Processor

Date unknown; records arranged and inventory written by Special Collections Staff. Spring 2001; records arranged and inventory rewritten by Special Collections Staff.

Container List

Box 1 (9 folders)

1. Louise Walsh Notebook: Overview of the club, 1918-1949. Louise Walsh was the Dean of Education at Indiana State Normal School and later Indiana State Teachers College.
2. Meeting Minutes, Volume 1, 1920-1926
3. Meeting Minutes, Volume 2, 1932-1937
4. Meeting Minutes, Volume 3, 1938-1944
5. Meeting Minutes, Volume 4, 1944-1953
6. Meeting Minutes, Volume 5, 1953-1961
7. Meeting Minutes, Volume 6, 1962-1970
8. Meeting Minutes, Volume 7, 1970-1980

9. Notebook: program booklets, newspaper articles, meetings, events, and photographs, 1923-1966