

Muriel Ruth Johnstone Collection

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Summary Information

Repository	James K. Hosmer Special Collections Library
Creator	Johnstone, Muriel Ruth
Title	Muriel Ruth Johnstone Collection
Date	1913-1923
Extent	0.42 Linear feet
Language	English

Biography

Muriel Ruth Johnstone was born on November 1, 1906 in Watersmeet, Michigan to parents James F. Johnstone and Bertha A. Reinhardt. Johnstone was a June 1923 graduate of North High School in Minneapolis. During her senior year, she lived at 317 Lyndale Ave. N. Muriel, also called Ruth, was a member of the Senior Literary Society, Booth Tarkington Dramatic Club, North High Park Board, Class Picture Committee, and Class Social Committee. Johnstone's extracurricular activities included singing and playing piano and violin. She attended many plays and concerts at the high school and local theater, and followed the girls and boy's high school sports teams. Johnstone died on January 31, 1996 in San Bernardino County, California.

Description of Collection

This collection consists of one scrapbook of material dating 1913-1923, with the bulk of the material dating 1922-1923. Apart from the scrapbook, Box 1 also contains the North High June 1923 commencement program, Johnstone's birth certificate, and an invitation to the Watersmeet High School commencement exercises.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Controlled Access Headings

Corporate Name(s)

- North High School (Minneapolis, Minn.).

Collection Inventory

Box

Scrapbook 1913-1923

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Scope and Contents note

Box 1 contains a single scrapbook with letters, event invitations, concert programs, theater programs, newspaper clippings, notes from classmates and faculty, photographs of Johnstone and friends, certificates, and other realia related to Johnstone's school and extracurricular activities. The scrapbook predominantly covers the 1922-1923 school year, Johnstone's senior year. The scrapbook also contains two letters from the White House. One dating from 1913 is signed by Jessie Woodrow Wilson Sayre, daughter of President Woodrow Wilson, thanking Johnstone for sending a gift for her wedding. The other dates from 1915 and is signed by a White House secretary thanking Johnstone for her well wishes after the birth of the Sayres' son.