

# **Stanley Hall Academy for Young Women Collection**

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository</b>	James K. Hosmer Special Collections Library
<b>Creator</b>	Stanley Hall. (Minneapolis, Minn.)
<b>Title</b>	Stanley Hall Academy for Young Women Collection
<b>Date</b>	1920-1921
<b>Extent</b>	2.0 boxes
<b>Language</b>	English

## History

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Stanley Hall was an English and Classical School for Girls. It opened in 1890 and was located at 10 East 17th Street in Minneapolis until it moved into its new facilities at 2118 Pleasant Avenue South in 1896 where it remained until 1921. It was also referred to as Stanley College.

Many items in the collection belonged to Ruth and Irene Ritteman. Ruth Ritteman and her sister Irene attended Stanley Hall from 1920 to 1921. Born to William Ritteman and Della Ellen Whaley, Ruth was afflicted with osteomyelitis (an infectious inflammatory disease of the bone marked by local death and separation of tissue) and very ill for the remainder of her childhood, and was confined to a wheel chair. Ruth was sent to Colorado Springs for health where she attended Colorado Springs High School, graduating in 1918. Before starting school at Stanley Hall, she underwent further treatments for her illness at Mayo Clinic. In August, 1920, Ruth received her certificate for home hygiene and care of sick training from the American Red Cross. She graduated from Stanley Hall in 1921, then attended Moorhead State Teacher's College, going on to become a teacher. Ruth was active in theater while at Stanley Hall and after graduation.

Irene Ritteman was completely deaf, but able to read lips. She attended classes at Stanley Hall and also graduated in 1921. She married Virgil Folger and they lived in Hawley. She had six children and 24 grandchildren.

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## Description of Collection

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The collection includes two boxes. One a scrapbook compiled by Ruth Ritteman. Box two includes a brief history of Stanley Hall, programs, annual class booklets, newspaper clippings, and miscellaneous ephemera.

Ruth's scrapbook includes a roll call of students, programs, mementos, newspaper clippings from theater, lectures, musical events, dances. Also included in the scrapbook are professional photographs of the interior and exterior of Stanley Hall, snapshots of classmates and friends, and an oversized photograph of students in front of a building. Other material include invitations, cards, broadsides, tickets, clippings, and a booklet on student life at Stanley Hall written by Principal Olive A. Evers and a directory of the departments, instruction, clubs and organizations, and classes offered. The scrapbook and accompanying material loose in the scrapbook documents activities and events of Minneapolis in the early 1920s and provide valuable material on a young woman's academy in Minneapolis.

## **Administrative Information**

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### **Publication Information**

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## **Controlled Access Headings**

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### **Corporate Name(s)**

- Stanley Hall. Students. (Minneapolis, Minn.)

### **Personal Name(s)**

- Ritteman, Ruth, 1898-1955

### **Subject(s)**

- Private schools -- Minnesota -- Minneapolis.
- Schools -- Minnesota -- Minneapolis.

**Booklet: Student Life at Stanley Hall****Collection Inventory**

	<b>Box</b>	
Scrapbook compiled by Ruth Ritteman 1920-1921	1	
	<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>
Photograph (oversize)	1	1
History and Biography	2	1
Clippings 1915-1936	2	2
Programs 1911-1921, undated	2	3
<b>Booklet: Student Life at Stanley Hall 1920</b>	<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>
	2	4
Annual Announcement Booklets 1905-1921	2	5-6
<b>Scope and Contents note</b>		
These annual course catalogs include the school year calendar, course descriptions, notes on course instructors, and general information about the school.		
The Moccasin Quarterly, Vol. 1, No. 2 February, 1913	2	7
Manuscript: Minutes from the Epsilon Pi Phi Society 1899-1908	2	8

**Booklet: Student Life at Stanley Hall**

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**Biographical/Historical note**

Epsilon Pi Phi was the first Greek Letter Society of Stanley Hall. It was founded in 1899 by the Sophomore Class of 1902, who comprised its members. The manuscript includes meeting minutes and lists of members from 1899 to 1908. The manuscript was a gift from the University of Minnesota Archives in 1997.

Miscellaneous ephemera from scrapbook

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