

The Tarleton Campus Club Press Books, 1955-1983: A Guide

Descriptive Summary

Creator: The Tarleton Campus Club

Title: The Tarleton Campus Club Press Books, 1955-1983

Inclusive Dates: 1955-1983

Abstract: The collection documents the activities of the Tarleton Campus Club through the press articles included in the Press Books along with the Yearbook and scattered items regarding special events conducted by the club.

Identification: AR52

Extent: 2.5 cubic feet (10 boxes, 6 volumes)

Shelf location: 7:A:4-9; 7:B:2

Language(s): Collection is in English.

Repository: Tarleton State University, Dick Smith Library, Archives and Special Collections, Stephenville, Texas

Organizational History

The Tarleton Campus Club was organized in 1921 as a literary club. Its two main purposes were to promote the growth of the club members both intellectually and socially and to promote an interest of Tarleton State University and its surrounding environs. It was the local counterpart of a national movement by women desiring education and an outlet for social activity and service. Members held regular programs and invited speakers to give presentations covering many subjects. They also organized teas, dinners, parties, and special events. Raising funds for scholarships was an annual project.

The Campus Club joined The Texas Federation of Women's Clubs in 1922. It was part of the Federation's First District, which became known as the Pioneer District by the 1960s. The Federation was organized in 1897 to not only promote literary study but also to encourage cooperation between the literary clubs and other women's clubs throughout the state of Texas. The Federation encouraged interest in and activities supporting improvements in education, home life, public affairs, the arts, and Texas heritage among other issues. Much of the work and activity of the Federation was part of the national Progressive Era of the early twentieth century.

Sources:

Megan Seaholm, "Texas Federation of Women's Clubs," *Handbook of Texas Online*, accessed September 22, 2020, <https://www.tshaonline.org/handbook/entries/texas-federation-of-womens-clubs>.

Scope and Contents

The collection documents the activities of the Tarleton Campus Club through the press articles included in the Press Books along with the Yearbook and scattered items related to special events conducted by the club. Some of the significant topics found in the collection are programs held at the twice a month meetings; regular events such as appreciation teas, luncheons, and dinners; community-related activities such as picnics, Fun Night, and Mother/Daughter Tea for high school senior girls and their mothers; and Texas Federation of Women's Clubs (TFWC) conventions and workshops. The collection also documents the judging of the Press Books at the TFWC conventions. Six of the Tarleton Campus Club Press Books

won awards. The Press Books for 1957-1958 and 1962-1963 won blue ribbons. Materials are largely textual, comprising Yearbooks and press clippings. Other materials scattered throughout the collection are programs for the regular meetings, a small amount of correspondence, and a few photographs.

Organization

The Tarleton Campus Press Books, 1955-1983 is organized in one series:
Series I. Press Books
The books are arranged in chronological order.

Rights and Access

Access Restrictions

Collection is open for research.

Physical Access Restrictions

Some of the Press Books are in bad condition. Old pages are torn and many items are separated from the pages. The materials must be handled with care.

Technical Access Restrictions

None.

Publication Rights

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Index Terms

Persons

Cunyus, Opal
Davis, Uta
Howell, Ruth
Marrs, Mary, 1883-1953

Organizations

Tarleton Campus Club
Texas Federation of Women's Clubs

Subjects

Women—Societies and clubs
Women's clubs
Women's organizaitons

Places

Stephenville (Tex.)

Administrative Information

Provenance

Donated to the Dick Smith Library at Tarleton State University by The Tarleton Campus Club.

Preferred Citation

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Processing Information

Finding aid prepared by Phyllis Kinnison, 2020.

Note to the Researcher

The collection is processed, but advance notice is required with time allowed to retrieve the records from an offsite location before conducting research. There may be occasions when staffing or weather conditions delay or prevent retrieval of the records. For more information, contact Librarian/Archivist Phyllis Kinnison at pkinnison@tarleton.edu.

Container List

<u>Stack Location</u>	<u>Box or Volume</u>	<u>Press Book Years</u>
7:A:4	1	1955-1956
		1956-1957
7:A:4	2	1957-1958
		1958-1959

7:A:5	3	1959-1960
		1960-1961
7:A:5	4	1961-1962
7:A:6	5	1963-1964
7:A:6	6	1964-1965
		1967-1968
7:A:7	7	1971-1972
		1972-1973
7:A:7	8	1973-1974
		1974-1975
7:A:8	9	1975-1976
		1976-1977
		1977-1978
7:A:8	10	1978-1979
		1979-1980
7:A:9	V. 1	1962-1963
	V. 2	1968-1969
	V. 3	1969-1970
	V. 4	1980-1981
7:B:2	V. 5	1981-1982
	V. 6	1982-1983