Flora Clarke scrapbook, 1924-1926

A Guide

Descriptive Summary

Creator: Flora Marguerite Clarke
Title: Flora Clarke scrapbook, 1924-1926
Inclusive Dates: 1924-1926
Abstract: The scrapbook was created by Flora Marguerite Clarke when she attended John Tarleton Agricultural College from 1924 to 1926. The book contains photographs of Clarke, her friends, and her family that show her activities while at Tarleton.
Identification: AR12
Extent: 0.28 cubic feet
Language: Collection is in English.
Shelf location: 6:C:4
Repository: Tarleton State University, Dick Smith Library, Archives and Special Collections, Stephenville, Texas

Biographical Note

Flora Marguerite Clarke was born June 13, 1907 in Tyrone, Texas County, Oklahoma to George Starrett Clarke (1881-1939) and Hattie (Davis) Clarke (1886-1963). When she attended John Tarleton Agricultural College from 1924-1926, her family was living in Comanche County, Texas. In 1925 Clarke made the Dean’s Distinguished Students List. Clarke taught school in Parks, Stephens County, Texas after she graduated.

By 1930 Clarke was married to Oddie A. Kinney (1903-1972), and they were living in Ranger, Eastland County, Texas. The Kinneys moved to Stamford, Jones County, Texas in 1932 where they owned the Kinney Furniture Company. By 1940 they had a five-year-old son named Ray. The November 4, 1976 issue of The J-TAC states that Flora Kinney attended the fiftieth homecoming for the Class of 1926, and she was still living in Stamford at that time.

Flora Kinney died on April 29, 1987 in Stamford. She is buried in Highland Cemetery there.

Sources:


Flora Marguerite Clarke Kinney, Find A Grave Memorial # 40464997.  

The J-TAC (Stephenville, Tex.), Vol. 5, No. 20, Ed. 1 Wednesday, February 18, 1925, newspaper, February 18, 1925; (texashistory.unt.edu/ark:/67531/metaph139913/m1/2/?q=February%2018%2C%201925: accessed November 21, 2017), University of North Texas Libraries, The Portal to Texas History, texashistory.unt.edu; crediting Tarleton State University.

The J-TAC (Stephenville, Tex.), Vol. 1, No. 3, Ed. 1 Wednesday, August 4, 1926, newspaper, August 4, 1926; (texashistory.unt.edu/ark:/67531/metaph139961/m1/4/?q=August%204%2C%201926: accessed November 21, 2017), University of North Texas Libraries, The Portal to Texas History, texashistory.unt.edu; crediting Tarleton State University.

The J-TAC (Stephenville, Tex.), Vol. 8, No. 17, Ed. 1 Friday, January 20, 1928, newspaper, January 20, 1928; (texashistory.unt.edu/ark:/67531/metaph140013/m1/2/?q=January%2020,%201928: accessed November 21, 2017), University of North Texas Libraries, The Portal to Texas History, texashistory.unt.edu; crediting Tarleton State University.

The J-TAC (Stephenville, Tex.), Vol. 57, No. 25, Ed. 1 Thursday, November 4, 1976, newspaper, November 4, 1976; (texashistory.unt.edu/ark:/67531/metaph141356/m1/6/?q=November%204,%201976: accessed November 21, 2017), University of North Texas Libraries, The Portal to Texas History, texashistory.unt.edu; crediting Tarleton State University.

**Scope and Contents**

The scrapbook was created by Flora Marguerite Clarke when she attended John Tarleton Agricultural College from 1924 to 1926. The book contains photographs of Clarke, her friends, and her family that show her activities while at Tarleton. Notes from Clarke’s friends are written directly on many pages. Other notes, especially from male admirers, are glued to the pages. Memorabilia include a yell book, programs for events, newspaper clippings, souvenirs from parties and banquets, greeting cards from friends and family, calling cards from friends, and lyrics of songs.

Loose items from the front and the back of the scrapbook were gathered into two folders and stored in the box with the scrapbook. Most of the pages of the scrapbook were torn from the binding string, so archival staff untied the scrapbook. The covers and the pages are stored in original order. Small preservation measures were taken to secure items coming loose from pages.

**Organization**

The Flora Clarke scrapbook, 1924-1926 is organized in 2 series:

- Series I. Scrapbook
- Series II. Loose items

**Restrictions**

None
Access

Open for research.

Index Terms

Persons

Kinney, Flora Marguerite Clarke, 1907-1987

Organizations

John Tarleton Agricultural College

Subjects

Scrapbooks.
Students—1920-1930.
Students—Social life and customs.
Students—Texas—Stephenville—1920-1930.

Places

Comanche County (Tex.)
Stephenville (Tex.)

Administrative Information

Provenance

Donated to the Dick Smith Library at Tarleton State University by Scott Walker in 2015.

Citation

Flora Clarke scrapbook, 1924-1926, AR12, Box 1, Folder [number], Series [number], Tarleton State University, Dick Smith Library, Archives

Processing Information

Note to the Researcher

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

Container List

**Series I. Scrapbook**

0.28 cubic ft. (1 box)

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**Series II. Loose items**

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