

THE GRACE HILL COLLECTION

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Medals and a program of Grace Hill were donated to the University Archives by Arthur Turgeon in April, 1958.

Grace Hill, Professor of French, was the first head of the French Department beginning with Detroit Junior College, and was head of the French Departments at the College of the City of Detroit and Wayne University until her retirement in 1944. She traveled from the United States to France often, and was instrumental in creating an awareness in the Detroit area of the plight of thousands of French children orphaned in World War I. In 1936, the French gave her the cross of Chevalier de la Legion d'Honneur for her efforts in behalf of the French citizens.

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Medals and a program reflecting Grace Hill's involvement with the orphans in France are contained in this collection. A case containing Medaille of Frer Reconnaissance and other French medals of honor have been transferred to the Audio-Visual Collection. The program concerns a dinner honoring one of France's war heroes, Marshal Ferdinand Foch.