

THE HARRIETTE AND HELEN BISHOP COLLECTION

Papers, 1866 - 1945  
(Predominantly, 1888 - 1940)

2.5 linear feet

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The papers of Harriette Bishop and daughter, Helen Bishop, were given by William Warner Bishop, Jr., grandson of Mrs. Bishop. The collection was opened for research in April of 1975.

Mrs. Harriette Anna Warner Bishop was a member of the 1863 graduating class of Detroit High School. In 1878 she returned to the high school as a mathematics teacher. She taught and served as 12th grade principal until her retirement in 1914. Her teaching years were served at Detroit High School, the Biddle House after the 1893 fire, and Central High School. She was an active member of the Detroit High School Alumni Association and the Central High School Alumni Association. After her retirement she continued as alumni historian. She married William M. Bishop. He died in 1878. She had one son and two daughters: William Warner, Helen, and Elizabeth. Mrs. Bishop died in 1944 at age 98.

Helen Louise Bishop, daughter of Mrs. Harriette A. Bishop, graduated from Detroit High School in January, 1892, and from Vassar College in 1897. While attending the University of Michigan Graduate School, she studied abroad at the American School in Rome. By 1910 she was teaching at Central High School. She also taught for the College of the City of Detroit and Wayne University. She died in 1947 at age 73.

The papers of Harriette and Helen Bishop primarily reflect their teaching careers at Detroit and Central High Schools, and, to a lesser degree, Helen's days at the College of the City of Detroit and Wayne University. There is a limited number of personal items, mostly from Harriette Bishop.

Important subjects covered in the collection are:

Detroit High School, 1858 - 1893  
Central High School, 1895 - 1945  
Dedication of Central High School, 1897  
One Hundredth Commencement, January, 1921  
Detroit and Central High School Alumni Associations  
Wayne University - Women's Building, 1933-1943  
Wayne University - Student Activities Committee, 1940 - 1942

Among the correspondents are: (an index to the location of these letters  
will be found on the last page of the  
guide)

J.M.B. Sill

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5 manuscript boxes

#### Series I, Boxes 1-4

Included are clippings, class registers, and other printed materials of Harriette Bishop, primarily from 1890 - 1910. There are limited materials relating to David Mackenzie, 1926; Laverne B. Mann, 1932; and J.M.B. Sill, 1886. The majority of the files of this series relate to Detroit and Central High Schools, ca.1880 - ca.1930.

#### Series II, Box 5, Folders 1-16

Included are correspondence, publications, and printed materials of Helen Bishop as a student and as a teacher of Latin at the College of the City of Detroit and at Wayne University, ca.1920- ca.1945.

#### Series III, Box 5, Folders 17 - 24

This series is the combined papers of Harriette and Helen Bishop. These items are mostly printed materials for which ownership could not be clearly determined.

#### Non-manuscript material

A pin from the Detroit Central High School Athletic Association, 1913-14, was placed in the Archives' Audio-Visual Collections.

Series I  
Boxes 1 - 4

Included are clippings, class registers, and printed programs of Harriette Bishop from 1866 - 1939. There is also miscellaneous material on William Warner Bishop, 1890 - 1897. Limited materials, primarily clippings, are included for David Mackenzie, Charles Adams, and Laverne B. Mann, 1910 - 1932. One piece of correspondence is included concerning the resignation of J.M.B. Sill as Superintendent of Detroit Public Schools, 1886. The majority of the files of this series relate to Detroit High School and Central High School and are primarily printed programs, publications, school catalogs. Of importance are the Catalogue of the Teachers and Alumni, 1858 - Jan. 1893; Dedication programs of Central High School, 1897; one hundredth commencement celebration, January, 1921; Central High School Stylus and Centralite which contain histories and pictures of early Detroit high schools. Two notebooks, containing Detroit and Central High Schools' alumni names, year of graduation, year of death, and circumstances of death, particularly during World War I, were kept by Mrs. Bishop as alumni historian. The materials in this series are divided into four sub-series: Harriette Bishop, The Detroit High School, Detroit Public Schools, and Central High School. All materials from Detroit and Central High Schools are included in this sub-series, even though it could not be determined if they were Harriette's or Helen's. Within each sub-series, files are arranged alphabetically by subject and cover the period of 1866 - 1945.

Box 1

1. Bishop, Harriette - Biographical Clippings, n.d. - ca.1944.
2. Bishop, Harriette - Class Registers, 1893-94 - 1894-95.
3. Bishop, Harriette - Class Registers, 1896-97 - 1898-99.
4. Bishop, Harriette - Class Registers, 1900-01 - 1901-02.
5. Bishop, Harriette - Class Registers, 1902-03 - 1903.
6. Bishop, Harriette - Class Registers, 1904 - 1905-06.
7. Bishop, Harriette - Class Registers, 1906-07-08 - 1909-10.
8. Bishop, Harriette - Class Registers, Papers, 1893-1910.
9. Bishop, Harriette - Personal Miscellaneous, 1890-1929.

10. Bishop, Harriette - Student Listings, 1883, 1914, n.d.
11. Bishop, Harriette - Teacher and Alumni Historian, n.d., 1910, 1914, 1939.
12. Bishop, Harriette - Wedding Invitations and Marriage Announcements, 1885 - 1895.
13. Bishop, William Warner - Miscellaneous, 1890 - ca.1897.
14. Adams, Charles Francis - Biographical Clippings and Memorial Program, 1914.
15. Detroit Educational Alliance, n.d.
16. Detroit Normal Training School - Programs, 1891 - 1897.
17. Detroit Teachers' Association - Publication - Detroit Education News, April 27, 1937.

Box 2

1. Mackenzie, David - Clippings, Sept. 29, 1926 - Jan. 12, 1927.
2. Mackenzie, David - Miscellaneous, 1910, 1926, 1927.
3. Mann, Laverne B. - Clippings, Dec. 21, 1932.
4. Prismatic Society - The Rime of the Four Companions, 1874.
5. Sill, J.M.B. - Resignation as Detroit Public Schools Superintendent, Sept. 7, 1886.
6. Teachers' Mutual Aid Association - Constitution, ca.1888.
7. Vassar College - Commencement, June 26, 1872.
8. Women's Organizations - Publications, 1886, 1893.
9. Detroit High School - Annual Report of the Principal, 1888-89.
10. Detroit High School - Catalogue of the Teachers and Alumni, 1858 - Jan. 1893.
11. Detroit High School - Class Banquet Programs, 1884 - June, 1898.
12. Detroit High School - Class Day Programs, 1882 - June, 1898.
13. Detroit High School - Class Songs, 1888 - Jan. 1898.
14. Detroit High School - Detroit High School Alumni Association, 1867 - 1895.
15. Detroit High School - Graduating Exercise Programs, ca.1880 - Jan. 1898.
16. Detroit High School - Miscellaneous, 1884 - 1895.
17. Detroit High School - Society of the Alumni, 1866.
18. Detroit High School - Student Publications, 1886 - June 1895.
19. Detroit High Schools - Catalogue, 1896-97, 1898-99.
20. Detroit High Schools - Catalogue, 1899-00, 1901-02.
21. Detroit High Schools - Catalogue, 1903-04-05 - 1905-06.
22. Detroit Public Schools - History - Detroit Free Press, Jan. 1, 1899.
23. Eastern High School - Publications, 1898, 1901.

Box 3

1. Central High School - Central High School Alumni Association, 1910 - 1924.
2. Central High School - The Central Student, Dec. 21, 1933.
3. Central High School - Class Banquet Programs, Jan. 1897 - June 1907.
4. Central High School - Class Banquet Programs, Jan. 1911 - Jan. 1926.
5. Central High School - Class Day Programs, Jan. 1889 - June 1911.
6. Central High School - Class Day Programs, Jan. 1912 - Jan. 1926.
7. Central High School - Class Songs, 1907 - ca.1912.
8. Central High School - Corner Stone Laying, Flag Raising and Dedication Programs, 1895, 1896, 1897.
9. Central High School - Faculty Schedules, 1914.
10. Central High School - Graduating Exercise Programs, June 1898 - May 1933.
11. Central High School - Graduating Exercise Programs, Jan. 1934 - June 1945.
12. Central High School - Honor System, Jan. 1914.
13. Central High School - Miscellaneous, n.d., 1914 - ca.1924.
14. Central High School - One Hundredth Commencement Celebration, Jan. 1921.

Box 4

1. Central High School - Class Yearbook, June 1900.
2. Central High School - Stylus, 1904.
3. Central High School - Stylus, 1907.
4. Central High School - Stylus, 1909.
5. Central High School - Stylus, 1910.
6. Central High School - The Centralite, June 1912.
7. Central High School - The Centralite, 1925.
8. Central High School - 12A Student, Jan. 1926.
9. Detroit and Central High Schools - Alumni Obituary Notebooks

Series II

Box 5, (Folders 1 - 16)

This series is primarily printed materials and programs of Helen Bishop while on the faculty of Central High School, of the College of the City of Detroit and finally of Wayne University, 1917 - 1945. Several files contain minutes, reports and constitutions of various organizations of Wayne University, such as The Women's Building, 1933 - 1943, and the Student Activities Committee, 1940 - 1942. The files are arranged alphabetically by subject and cover the period 1900 - 1946.

Box 5

1. Bishop, Helen - Correspondence, June 29, 1900.
2. College of the City of Detroit, 1924 - 1933.
3. Detroit Junior College at Central High School, 1917, 1922-23.
4. Educational Conference, Second Annual, May 7, 1928.
5. Northern High School - Commencement Program, June 19, 1946.
6. Wayne University, n.d., 1939, 1942.
7. Wayne University - Constitutions of the Classical Society and the Inter-Sorority Council, n.d.
8. Wayne University - Miscellaneous Programs and Graduation Invitation, 1934 - 1945.
9. Wayne University - Publications, 1938 - 1943.
10. Wayne University - Student Activities Committee - Minutes, Agendas, Reports, calendar, 1940 - 1942.
11. Wayne University - Women's Building Board of Control - History, Constitutions, 1933-34 - 1940.
12. Wayne University - Women's Building Board of Governors - Correspondence, June 1941.
13. Wayne University - Women's Building Board of Governors - Minutes, Constitutions, 1940 - 1943.
14. Wayne University - Women's Building - Financial Reports and Activities, 1939-40 - 1941-42.
15. Northern High School - The Viking, Jan. 1931.
16. Northern High School - The Viking, June 1946.

Series III

Box 5, (Folders 17 - 24)

This series includes miscellaneous printed materials for which ownership could not be determined. These are arranged alphabetically by subject and cover the period of ca.1888 - 1931.

Box 5

17. Association of Collegiate Alumnae - Pamphlets, 1893 - 1897.
18. Banquet Place Cards, n.d.
19. College Commencement Invitations - Miscellaneous, 1915, 1930, 1931.
20. Detroit Public Schools - Teacher's Organizations - Annual Reports, 1912 - 1913.
21. Miscellaneous, n.d. 1888, 1889, 1901, 1926.
22. Northeastern High School - The Crucible, 1918.
23. Vassar College - Miscellaneous, 1890 - 1893.
24. Worship Folders and Sermons, 1901 - 1919.

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