Guide to the University of Chicago Order of the Grey Towers Records 1915-1964
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Descriptive Summary

Identifier: ICU.SPCL.GREYTOWERS

Title: University of Chicago. Order of the Grey Towers. Records

Date: 1915-1964

Size: 1 linear foot (2 boxes)

Repository: Special Collections Research Center
University of Chicago Library
1100 East 57th Street
Chicago, Illinois 60637 U.S.A.

Abstract: The order of the Grey Tower was an organization of the University of Chicago library staff that arranged plays, dinners and lectures and also ran a tea room. The Records consist of minutes of meetings and reports submitted by such committees as the Nominating Committee, Program Committee, and Public Service Committee, and Executive Committee.

Acknowledgments

Information on Use

Citation

When quoting material from this collection, the preferred citation is: University of Chicago. Order of the Grey Towers. Records, [Box #, Folder #], Special Collections Research Center, University of Chicago Library

Historical Note

The Order of the Grey Towers, an organization of the University of Chicago Library staff, was established in 1915. All present and former employees were eligible for general membership, while those with longer terms of service rose at five-year intervals to the Efficient Order, the Expert Order, the Superior Order, or the Supreme Order of the Grey Towers. The organization arranged plays, dinners, and lectures, operated a tea room with current periodicals for the use of the staff, and issued sporadic publications like Harper Weekly and The Grey Towers Gazette. Grey Towers became inactive in the mid-1960's.

Scope Note

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Related Resources
The following related resources are located in the Department of Special Collections:

http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/spcl/select.html

**Subject Headings**

- University of Chicago. Library. Order of the Grey Towers
- University of Chicago. Library
- Librarians
- Academic librarians

**INVENTORY**

- Box 1
  - Folder 1
    - Constitution
- Box 1
  - Folder 2
    - Cashbook, 1919-1942
- Box 1
  - Folder 3
    - Harper Weekly, 1924
- Box 1
  - Folder 4
    - Akademie of Hardknox commencement exercises, 1924
- Box 1
  - Folder 5
    - The Grey Towers Gazette, 1943-1945
- Box 1
  - Folder 6
    - Miscellaneous announcements and invitations, 1932-1964 and undated
- Box 1
  - Folder 7
    - Minutes and committee reports, 1915-1929
- Box 1
  - Folder 8
    - Executive Committee minutes, 1920-1925
- Box 1
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    - Minutes and reports, 1929-1934
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  Minutes and reports, 1960-1961
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