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Guide to the Arianna E. Scammon Collection 1893-1895



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Descriptive Summary

Identifier	ICU.SPCL.SCAMMONA
Title	Scammon, Arianna E. Collection
Date	1893-1895
Size	1 linear foot (2 boxes)
Repository	Hanna Holborn Gray Special Collections Research Center University of Chicago Library 1100 East 57th Street Chicago, Illinois 60637 U.S.A.
Abstract	The Arianna E. Scammon Collection contains two scrapbooks of newspaper articles and illustrations from the 1893 World's Columbian Exposition in Chicago.

Information on Use

Access

The collection is open for research.

Citation

When quoting material from this collection, the preferred citation is: Scammon, Arianna E. Collection, , [Box #, Folder #], Hanna Holborn Gray Special Collections Research Center, University of Chicago Library.

Historical Note

Organized to commemorate the 400th anniversary of Columbus's arrival in America, the World's Columbian Exposition was held in Chicago's Jackson Park and open to the public from March 1 to October 30, 1893. See the finding aid to the World's Columbian Exposition of 1893 Collection for a more detailed history of the event.

The scrapbooks were compiled by Arianna E. Scammon (1848-1898), the youngest daughter of Jonathan Young Scammon (1812-1890). An Alderman in the 1840s and later a member of the Illinois Legislature, Jonathan Scammon was considered one of the "builders of Chicago" by the end of his life. He also started the Daily Inter Ocean newspaper and was a trustee of the Old University of Chicago, where he helped to build the first Dearbon Observatory. The Arianna Scammon scrapbooks were donated to the University of Chicago Library by her nephew, Clark Scammon Reed.

Scope Note

The Arianna E. Scammon Collection contains two bound scrapbooks of newspaper clippings that range from 1893 to 1895. The clippings are primarily from the Chicago Tribune and Tribune Supplement, but other Chicago newspapers feature as well, such as the Daily Inter Ocean. Articles reporting on the 1893 Exposition, regular columns narrating visits to the grounds, and a variety of illustrations, both ink and color drawings, have been conserved in the scrapbooks. The ink illustrations are of particular interest since they represent a larger body of depictions of the fairgrounds than those contained in the periodical material of the World's Columbian Exposition of 1893 Collection.

Both scrapbook volumes cataloged as Codex Manuscript, MS1313.

Related Resources

Albert, Allen D., Reports on World's Fairs, 1929

Buzzell, Edgar A. Collection, 1892-1910

Cliff, Melissa. Collection

Green, Arnold. Collection

Lindblad, Andrew. Collection, 1839-1937

Mueller, Ian. Collection

World's Columbian Exposition of 1893. Collection

Chicago Collections Consortium "1893 World's Fair" Collection

Subject Headings

- World's Columbian Exposition (1893: Chicago, Ill.)
- Chicago (Ill.) -- Exhibitions

INVENTORY

Box 1

Scrapbook, vol. 1, 1893-1894. (Codex Manuscript, MS1313)

Box 2

Scrapbook, vol. 2, 1894-1895. (Codex Manuscript, MS1313)