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ACCESSION No.: HRHS - 134

COLLECTION TITLE: State Teachers College Collection

DATES: 1928, 1929

SIZE: 1 folder

DONOR: Bonnie Painter

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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE:

Founded in 1908 as a women's college, the State Teachers College (now James Madison University) was established by the Virginia General Assembly. It was originally called The State Normal and Industrial School for Women at Harrisonburg. In 1914, the name of the university was changed to the State Normal School for Women at Harrisonburg. At first, academic offerings included only today's equivalent of technical training or junior college courses; however authorization to award bachelor's degrees was granted in 1916. During this initial period of development, the campus plan was established and six buildings were constructed.

The university became the State Teachers College at Harrisonburg in 1924 and continued under that name until 1938, when it was named Madison College in honor of James Madison, the fourth President of the United States. In 1976, the university's name was changed to James Madison University.

SCOPE AND CONTENT:

This collection contains miscellaneous items relating to State Teachers College in Harrisonburg, Virginia from 1928 to 1931.

COLLECTION INVENTORY:

Folder 1:

- Postcard, Maury Science Hall
- Picture booklet "State Normal School"
- Commencement Program, 1928.
- Commencement program, 1929 (2).
- Program, Smallman A Cappella Choir, 1929.
- Play Program, 1928.
- Play Program, 1929.

- Program, Tree Planting, 1929.
- Program, May Day Festival, 1929.
- Student Handbook, 1930-1931