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**The New Jersey State Normal and Model Schools at Trenton
and
Successor Institutions Trenton State Teachers College, Trenton State College
and The College of New Jersey Collection
(ca. 1857 - 2023)**

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History

The State Normal and Model Schools at Trenton were opened in October of 1855 to meet the growing demand of both teachers and citizens of New Jersey to establish an institution that could provide sound and consistent training for public school teachers. The term “normal” was derived from French *école normale* which was a 16th century school used to train teachers. This idea was adopted in the United States, first in New England (Columbian School in Concord, Vermont, 1823), then spread down the East Coast, and then to the West. Part of the system included creating a “model school” where students from kindergarten through 12th grade were taught by licensed teachers who were assisted and shadowed by Normal School students as part of their training.

Classes for the Trenton Normal School began in Trenton City Hall on October 9, 1855, and the next week moved to a building on the corner of Stockton and Hanover Streets. The second term in March 1856 began in a new school building on North Clinton Avenue where it remained until 1936. The new building also housed rooms for the Model School but soon the demand for admission to this school led to the purchase of an adjacent plot of land where a separate building was constructed. Despite financial and academic success, the use of a Model School fell from favor and was discontinued in 1917. A public practice school for grades kindergarten through 6th grade was established in its place.

In 1891, management of the Normal School was transferred from a board of trustees to the State Board of Education, and in 1926 the control was given to the commissioner of education, subject to the state board’s approval of general plans and policies.

In 1928, 100 acres of land was purchased at what was then called Hillwood Lakes, located on Pennington Road (Rt. 31) in Ewing, N.J. Beginning in 1931, operations of the school began to move to new facilities, and in 1934 all classrooms in Trenton were closed. In February 1936, all students were housed at the Ewing campus and the Trenton dormitories were closed.

Throughout the Normal School's history, its name changed as its mission and curricula developed. In 1929, the school was renamed the State Teachers' College and State Normal School at Trenton to reflect the emergence of a full four-year college for teachers that was needed to meet the expectations of advanced learning in high schools. When all prospective teachers were expected to earn a four-year degree, the name became New Jersey State Teachers College at Trenton (1937). Once the curricula expanded beyond teaching educational practice and theory, it became Trenton State College (1958) and then The College of New Jersey (1996).

The other successors to the normal school system in New Jersey are: Kean University, Montclair State University, New Jersey City University, and William Paterson University.

Scope and Content Notes

Content Warning: The items in this collection may contain racist and harmful depictions of marginalized groups, sexist or misogynistic language, and xenophobic attitudes and opinions.

This collection is divided into three groups: A. Trenton Normal and Model Schools and Successor Institutions, 1863-2023; B. Trenton Model School, 1882-1916; and C. Material relating to Alumni, 1901-1996.

Group A includes Annual Reports of the Board of Trustees, published histories, student publications, brochures, events programs, *The Seal* yearbook, maps and other miscellaneous material.

Group B consist of material that uniquely document the Model School, including records of the Thencanic Society; two commencement programs (1878 & 1880); scrapbooks kept by Grace Bromwell Fletcher, Class of 1907 and Emma R. Kerns Crofton, Class of 1916; and other miscellaneous materials. Note that as indicated in the series descriptions below, information about the Model School is also documented in the early records of Trenton Normal and Model Schools including the Annual Reports, student publications and published histories of the schools.

Group C includes events programs and scattered issues of *Accent/ Alumni Review*. Although technically a publication of the college's Office of College Relations, *Accent/ Alumni Review* includes class notes, news about local alumni association chapters and feature articles on alumni. Information on alumni may also be found in issues of *The Signal* and *State Signal* (see Series 4).

The collection consists of 10 boxes, one oversized folder and 4 rolled maps. The material is divided into 11 series as described below. The core of this collection provides information about the history of the Trenton Normal School from its founding in 1855, its move to Ewing and transition to New Jersey State Teachers College at Trenton (1937). It also provides some information on its successor institutions from the 1930s to 2023. The collection also includes information about the Model School, especially highlighting achievements of the older students in

publications including *The Signal* and records of the Thencanic Society, and scrapbooks kept by Grace Bromwell Fletcher, Class of 1907 and Emma R. Kerns Crofton, Class of 1916. There is also some information about alumni activities found in the form of event programs (1900s-1950s, 1980-1996) and the publication *Accent and Alumni Review* (1987-1996).

Series Descriptions

Group A. Trenton Normal and Model Schools and Successor Institutions

Series 1. Annual Report of the Board of Trustees (1863-1926)

Annual Reports of the State Normal School Board of Trustees to the State Senate and General Assembly provide a yearly review of both the Normal School and Model School operations. The information provided varies from year to year but generally includes a Report of the Principal [a position that became President of the College], Treasurer's Reports, a list of officers and instructors, descriptions of courses of instruction and names of graduates.

Series 2. Histories (1930-1994)

This series includes several publications that provide a good overview of the Normal and Model Schools as well as for specific topics as listed below. Especially interesting are *State Teachers College and State Normal School, Trenton, NJ: Past, Present and Future*, 1930 and *Time the Great Teacher: A History of One Hundred Years of the New Jersey State Teachers College at Trenton, 1855-1955*. The material is arranged in chronological order.

Series 3. Miscellaneous Correspondence (1857-1994)

This small series is arranged in chronological order and includes material from 1857, 1865, 1904, 1920 and 1986. The earliest letter is an 1857 invitation from the Normal School Principal to the Judges of the Court of Errors and Appeals to examine programs of the institution. The most recent is a 1994 letter of protest at early attempts to remove Trenton from the name of Trenton State College.

Series 4. Publications (1885-2018)

The Signal and State Signal - The collection includes some issues of *The Signal*, and its successor publication the *State Signal*, a student publication established in 1885 which continues to be published today. The *Signal* began as a literary magazine created by students of both the Normal School and the Model School. In addition to poems and short stories, it reported general news about the schools (athletics, courses, cultural activities, etc.), and information about faculty, graduating seniors and alumni as well as providing editorials. Of particular interest is the May-June 1917 issue which includes a history of (p. 193) and a farewell to (p. 195) the Model School which was ended in 1917. This series includes scattered issues of the *Signal* from 1885 to 1919. After a lapse of 10 years, the publication returned in the fall of 1929¹ as a student newspaper providing full coverage of campus activities. This collection includes some issues of the *State Signal* from 1933 to 1975. Issues from 1933 document the school's move from Trenton to the new Hillwood Lakes campus (Ewing) and the 1955 issue documents the centennial celebration of the Normal School.

Student Handbooks - The *Student Handbook* (1938-1939; 1939-1940) was published by the Student Executive Board and provides information about academics, social groups, athletics, and general

¹ *State Teachers College and State Normal School, Trenton, NJ: Past, Present and Future*, 1930, by D. C. Bliss p. 32.

policies. *A Hand Book for the Women's Athletic Association* (1939-1940) provides information about women's intra-mural and school sports activities.

Bonner Scholar Publications - There are a few issues of a publication from TCNJ's Bonner Scholars. *The Wall* (2017-2018) which became *Street Light* (2018, 2023) features stories about homelessness in Trenton.

Miscellaneous Student publications - This sub-series includes a booklet of two plays written in 1921 by the Normal School's History and English classes; a 1942 satirical student newspaper; a 1960 literary magazine and a photographic essay about Front & Warren Streets in Trenton (ca. 2000s).

Miscellaneous Faculty Writings - Included is *Geography of New Jersey*, by State Teachers College President Roscoe L. West and former Head of Geography Department, Ella Huntington, 1938, and two papers on women in politics given by Trenton State College faculty members Allen H. Merriam (Indira Gandhi: Prime Minister) and Marian B. McLeod (Bernadette Devlin: Irish Political Heroine) as part of a conference titled *Women in Politics: Studies in Role and Status*, 1974.

Outside Publications – This includes a variety of booklets and pamphlets and press clippings written by sources outside the school that discuss aspects of the institution. Of particular interest are issues of the *Education Bulletin* published by the New Jersey State Board of Education, 1915-1919, 1948 and *Curricula and Entrance Requirements of the State Teachers Colleges and State Normal Schools*, 1929, published by the State Department of Public Instruction.

Series 5. Brochures, pamphlets, event programs (1878-1994)

This series consists of brochures, pamphlets, programs and notices produced by the school's administration and student organizations. Administration material include brochures about the school's tuition, special or new academic programs, celebrations and commencement programs. Student brochures promote plays, debates and other activities.

Series 6. Miscellaneous Material

This series includes a variety of materials as outlined below. Of particular interest to the history of Normal schools in general is *American Normal Schools: Their Theory, their Workings, and their Results, as Embodied in the Proceedings of the First Annual Convention of the American Normal School Association, Held at Trenton, New Jersey August 19 and 20, 1859*. There is also a small and charming collection of dance card/event programs² and a ca. 1930s Teacher's College beanie that freshman class members were required to wear.

Series 7: Yearbooks (1932-1972) [with gaps]

² Dance cards were used by young women to schedule with whom they would dance during the evening. Often, as in this collection, the cards were part of a small, printed program of the event which could be worn on the wrist.

This series includes issues of *The Seal* dating from 1913 to 1972. Some issues are inventoried and stored with the **Trenton Normal and Model Schools et al. Collection** while others are available in the Trentoniana Room for immediate use by the public. Publication of *The Seal* began in 1911 and continued until 2018. Produced by each senior class, these yearbooks typically include photographs of the senior class, lists of clubs, athletic teams, class “prophecies,” as well as information about teachers and academic departments.

Series 8. Maps, 1977

This consists of four variations of a map drawn in 1977 depicting the land in Ewing that was purchased to develop the new Normal School campus. The main drawing, titled “Old Crosskeys to William Green Farm Today” was drawn by Robert Reeder Green for his book, *The Land Along the Shabakunks*, and shows historic features of the tract.

Group B. The Model School

Series 9. Model School - Thencanic Society, 1882-1905

The Thencanic Society was a debating society founded in October of 1882 by 18 members of the Boy’s Department of the State Model School. The purpose of the society was to “develop a correct mode of speaking, to qualify its members by practice to express their opinions in public, and to become better acquainted with the laws governing deliberative assemblies.”³ To this end, they held debates, mock legislatures and other activities. The records of the society include a list of officers (1882-1899), Critic’s Reports (1892-1900), records of mock legislatures (1887-1897), correspondence (1882-1900) and others as listed below. Despite its lofty goals, it should be noted that the records of the Society sometimes reflect a rather tongue-in-cheek attitude, especially in the Critic’s Reports which often admonish members for their rowdy and/or eccentric behavior.

Series 10. Model School - Miscellaneous Material, 1878-1930

This series include tuition receipts for John McCormick (n.d., 1862) and George Hildebrecht (1902-1903); Commencement Programs (1878, 1880); the *History of Class of 1904*, compiled by Class President Kenneth H. Lanning (1930); *Modellian* (1915) [Model School yearbook]; and two scrapbooks kept by Grace Bromwell Fletcher, Class of 1907 and Emma R. Kerns Crofton, Class of 1916. These scrapbooks were pre-printed and titled *The Girl Graduate: Her Own Book*, providing places for photographs, event programs, class prophecies, class autographs and other ephemera.

Group C. Alumni

Series 11 – Alumni

³ *The Modellian*, 1915 (Model School yearbook).

This series features alumni-sponsored event programs dating from 1901 to 1991, and issues of the *Accent and Alumni Review* from 1987 to 1996. Although technically a publication of the college's Office of College Relations, this publication does include class notes, news about local Alumni association chapters and feature articles on alumni. As noted above, information on alumni may also be found in issues of *The Signal* and *State Signal* (see Series 4).

Container List

Group 1. Trenton Normal and Model Schools and Successor Institutions

Series 1. Annual Reports of the Trenton Normal School Board of Trustees, 1863-1926

Box / Folder / Folder Title

1 / 1 / Annual Reports of the Board of Trustees, 1863, 1875, 1886, 1887

1 / 2 / Annual Reports of the Board of Trustees, 1889, 1900, 1913 (2)

1 / 3 / Annual Reports of the Board of Trustees, 1917-1918, 1918-1919, 1924-1925, 1925-1926

Series 2. Histories of Trenton Normal School and Successor Institutions

Box / Folder / Folder Title

1 / 4 / *State Teachers College and State Normal School, Trenton, NJ: Past, Present and Future*, 1930, by D. C. Bliss

The Assembly in the Teachers College, 1931 [analysis of history, evaluation and justification for the tradition of daily assembly, known in some schools as Chapel]

The History of Health and Physical Education in the State Teachers College and State Normal School at Trenton, NJ. 1931

State Teachers College, Hillwood Lakes, Trenton, NJ, ca. 1936 [Photographs and description of the buildings on the new Hillwood Lakes (Ewing) campus]

"The Mural Painting in the Library of State Teachers College, Trenton, New Jersey," ca 1934.

Time the Great Teacher: A History of One Hundred Years of the New Jersey State Teachers College at Trenton, 1855-1955. Rachel M. Jarrod and Glenn E. Fromm. The College Book Store, New Jersey State Teachers College, Trenton, NJ, 1955

"David Naar and Richard S. Filed: Friends of Education and the Perrigins of the New Jersey State Normal School." Mark David Heavener, 1994. Unpublished paper.

Series 3. Miscellaneous Correspondence regarding Trenton Normal School

Box / Folder / Folder Title

1 / 5 / John S. Hart, educator at Trenton Normal School to unknown individual regarding a collection of autographs, September 18, 1865.

1 / 6 / William H. Phelps, Normal School Principal to the Judges of the Court of Errors and Appeals re. inviting them to examine programs of the institution, June 18, 1857. The letterhead includes a printed image of the Normal School main building; gift of Charles S. Aitkins, 1935.

- 1 / 7 / Dynes, Sarah A. Dept. of History Normal School to Adam J. Strohm, Librarian, Trenton Free Public Library, re. books of interest and reports that her students “enthuse over the courteous and helpful treatment they receive” from the library staff, February 8, 1904.
- 1 / 8 / Green, John M., Principal of the New Jersey State Normal and Model Schools to Adam J. Strohm, Librarian, Trenton Free Public Library re. inability to have an Arts and Crafts exhibit but mentions that the Trenton Art School recently had one. He also mentions that he recently received “five very beautiful color sketches from the Tiffany studios” as representatives of the craft to show to the students, April 1, 1904.
- 1 / 9 / Pollack, Sara T., teacher at Trenton High School, to Trenton Free Public Librarian, Howard Hughes regarding books needed for Normal School students studying exceptional children, March 15, 1920. [Note: Also found with this item is the fragment of a manuscript dated Monday, September 15th, concerning an “assault upon Margaret Totton, his sister...” which seems to have no relevance to the Pollack letter].
- 1 / 10 / Iona Fackler Myers, Trenton State College class of 1937, to Erna S. Hoover, Chairman of the Trenton State College Board of Trustees with a copy to Mayor Arthur Holland and others, complaining about a 1986 effort to remove Trenton from the name of the College, September 21, 1986. Arthur Holland to Mrs. Myers thanking her for the copy of the letter and her efforts to stop the change, September 26, 1986.

Series 4. Publications

Box / Folder / Folder Title

Student

- 1 / 11 / The Signal, 1885, 1888, 1894, 1902
- 1 / 12 / The Signal, January, March, May-June, October 1917
- 2 / 1 / The Signal, 1918, 1919
- 2 / 2 / The State Signal. January 1932, January - June 1933
- 2 / 3 / The State Signal, 1937-1941 [scattered issues]
- 2 / 4 / The State Signal, September 1947, September 1955, May 1956
- 2 / 5 / The State Signal, May-December 1969
- 2 / 6 / The State Signal March – October 1970, October 1975

Student Miscellaneous

- 2 / 7 / The Wall, 2017-2018; Streetlight, 2018, 2023
- 2 / 8 / Student Handbook, 1938-1939 & 1939-1940; Women’s Athletic Association Hand Book, 1939-1940
- 2 / 9 / Two Patriotic Pageants, 1921. By the History & English classes of the Normal School
The Morning-Evening News, 1942 (satirical newspaper)
The Chimes, 1960 (Literary magazine)
Front & Warren (Photographs & captions describing Trenton neighborhood, ca. 2000s.)

Faculty

- 2 / 10 / *Geography of New Jersey* by Roscoe L. West and Ella Huntington, 1938. Silver Burdett Company: New York

- 2 / 11 / Women in Politics: Studies in Role and Status. Papers given at the annual convention of the Central States Speech Association held in Milwaukee, Wisconsin on April 4, 1974. Edited by Marian McLeod. Published by Wentworth Press: Sydney.
- 2 / 12 / Trenton-on-the-Delaware: A Civic Hymn written for the 250 Anniversary of Trenton's Settlement, music by Paul Ambrose (Faculty) and words by Hamilton Schuyler, 1929
Press and other institutions
- 2 / 13 / *The City of Trenton, NJ: Its Educational Agencies*, 1909 (published by and written about Public Library, State Library, School of Industrial Arts, YMCA, Public Night School and State Normal and Model Schools)
Education Bulletin. New Jersey State Board of Education, 1915-1919, 1948
Curricula and Entrance Requirements of the State Teachers Colleges and State Normal Schools. State Department of Public Instruction, Trenton, 1929
The Pioneer. Library Division of Remington Rand, 1937 [features company furniture used by Bell Telephone Tel-News, 1955]
- OS Note: The following oversized material is stored in the Trenton High School Collection's oversized flat box:
Unidentified and undated newspaper clipping profiling the State Normal School, ca. 1857. [Includes engraving print of building, description of courses and names of faculty].
Moffat, Prof. *The Daily True American*, June 2[?], 1857. [Lecture about teaching, delivered to the Normal School, June 18, 1857; page number and exact date printed not included in clipping]
Johnston, Elma Lawson. "Diamond Anniversary for State Schools." *Trenton Sunday Times Advisor*, May 4, 1930, p. 1.
"Centennial of Teachers of Teachers Training Fittingly Observed." *Trenton Times Advisor*, June 18, 1939, p. 1.

Series 5: Brochures, pamphlets, event programs

Box / Folder / Folder Title

- 3 / 1 / Administrative - General Information about school, academic programs and majors, 1878-1982 (bulk, 1970s)
- 3 / 2 / Administrative - Celebrations, exhibits, arts and cultural events, 1931-1988
- 3 / 3 / Administrative - Commencements – Normal School, 1876-1928 [with gaps]
- 3 / 4 / Administrative – Commencements, New Jersey Teacher's College, 1941; Trenton State College, 1975, 1994
- 3 / 5 / Student's Plays and other events, 1915-1976 [bulk dates 1915-1927]

Series 6: Miscellaneous Material

Box / Folder / Folder Title

- 3 / 6 / Hillwood Inn 2 8x10" B&W photographs before and after destruction (2023.012)
- 3 / 7 / Argo Sorority Sisters 2 8x10" B&W photographs, 1941 picnic and ca. 1941 (possibly before a dance) (2023.012)

- 3 / 8 / “Alma Mater - State Teachers College,” 1931. Words and music by Franklin Grapel, Class of 1933 [Sheet music]
- 3 / 9 / Books
American Normal Schools: Their Theory, their Workings, and their Results, as Embodied in the Proceedings of the First Annual Convention of the American Normal School Association, Held at Trenton, New Jersey August 19 and 20, 1859. Published by A. S. Barnes & Burr: New York, 1860
Brook’s Written Arithmetic. The Normal Written Arithmetic. Sower, Potts & Co., Philadelphia, ca. 1869
- 3 / 10 / Diplomas and Misc. Certificates
 Frieda Anna Ruddick, BS I Education, New Jersey State Teachers College, June 12, 1948
 Elpis Hope Demitry BA, Trenton State College, August 21, 1970
 Certificate for one share of capital stock of the Trenton Normal Student and Alumni Camping Association, Margaret Freas, 1924
 State Signal certificate in recognition of Contributions as Feature Writer given to Rita Nearing, 1949-1950 academic year
See also - Coll. 457 McCormick Family OS Box #5 (1 folder) – McCormick, Alice - State Normal School Public School Teaching Degree, 21 June 1899 (2014-OD.052)
- 3 / 11 / Dance Cards (include programs)
 Junior Proms Class of 1941 and 1942
 Senior Ball Class of 1941
 Arguomathos Sigma Sorority, 1940-1942
- 3 / 12 / Latin Notebook of Edward G. Leefeldt, Normal School, September 1905 [Gift of his son Carroll Leefeldt, April 1, 1988]
- 3 / 13 / Memorial Services Program for Carl Nathaniel Shuster (1890-1983). Trenton Normal School class of 1913, taught at both Columbia and Trenton State College
- 3 / 14 / Trenton State College Speakers Bureau Guides, ca. 1970s-1980s
- 3 / 15 / Roscoe L. West Library, Guides, 1960s; Annual Reports, 1960-1961, 1962-1963; Dedication Programs, 1970 and 1981
- 3 / 16 / Teacher’s College beanie, ca. late 1930s

Series 7. *The Seal*

Box / Folder / Folder Title

New Jersey State Normal School

4 / 1 / 1913, 1914

4 / 2 / 1915, 1919 (Gift of George W. Ingenbrandt from Estate of Mildred H. Banner, 1983)

New Jersey State Normal School at Trenton

6 / 1924 (ex-libris Lucy Territo)

Trenton Normal School

6 / 1928 (ex-libris Marion Rogers)

Trenton State Teachers College

6 / 1945

1947

1948 (ex-libris Frieda Ruddick)

Trenton State College

- 1961
- 1962
- 1963
- 7 / 1964 (ex-libris Fred A. Schultz)
- 1965
- 1966
- 1967 (softcover)
- 8 / 1968 (ex-libris Bill Allibone; includes 2 letters from Alberta G. Maged class of 1969 to Bill Allibone)
- 1969 (with supplement)
- 1970 (ex-libris Peggy Esposito, secretary of C. Walter Benner, Trenton High School Vice President; gift of Ms. Esposito's son Arthur E.)
- 9 / 1971
- 1972
- Trenton State College Alumni Association Directories, 1988 & 1993*

The Seal (in room for public use)

New Jersey State Normal School at Trenton

- 1922 (ex-libris Elizabeth S. Dixon)
- 1924 (ex-libris Marguerite A. Gulick, home economics faculty)
- 1925 (ex-libris Margaret Freas)

Trenton Normal School

- 1927 (ex-libris Virginia R. Manton)
- 1928 (ex-libris "Dot")
- 1929 (ex-libris Dorothy S. Mount)

New Jersey State Teachers College

- 1933
- 1934 (ex-libris Alice Evelyn Moody)
- 1935

Trenton State Teachers College

- 1936 (ex-libris Donald S. Robinson)
- 1937, 1939-1941
- 1942 (ex-libris "Business Office")
- 1943
- [1944 was not published]
- 1945-1946
- 1947 (ex-libris Frieda Riddick)
- 1948-1958

Trenton State College

- 1959-1967
- 1968 (ex-libris Asst. Professor Byron Steele)
- 1969-1973, 1977, 1979

Series 8. Drawings (Stored with oversized maps in **Numbered & Named Rolled Map Box #1**)

- 1 Old Crosskeys to William Green Farm Today. Ewingville to Trenton State College, 1977. R. R. Green. Photographic Reproduction, 24"x31.5" [Includes landowners, waterways and structures including those before and after the Normal School was built]

- 2 Forbay Sawmill Area Enlarged, 1977. R. R. Green. 26"x38.5. Photographic Reproduction. [Enlarged area from Old Crosskeys to William Green Farm today]
- 3 Old Site Drawing, ca. 1977. Paper, 36"x36" [Photocopy of map like Old Crosskeys to William Green Farm today]
- 4 Old Site Drawing, ca. 1977. Blueline, 36"x36" [Copy of Item # 3 above]

Group 2. Model School

Series 9. Records of the Thencanic Society (1882- 1905)

Box / Folder / Folder Title

- 4 / 3 / Officers, 1882-1899
- 4 / 4 / Critic's Reports, no date, January-June 1892, September-December 1893
- 4 / 5 / Critic's Report, May, June, September-December 1894
- 4 / 6 / Critic's Report, January-May, September-November, 1895
- 4 / 7 / Critic's Report, January, April, Sept-December 1896
- 4 / 8 / Critic's Report, January-June, September-December 1897
- 4 / 9 / Critic's Report, January-June, September-December 1898
- 4 / 10/ Critic's Report, January-June, September-December 1899
- 4 / 11/ Critic's Report, January-June, September-December 1900
- 4 / 12/ Censor's Report, November 23, 1894 – May 11, 1900 [with gaps]
- 4 / 13/ Resolutions, 1887, 1892, 1895, 1900
- 4 / 14/ Treasurer's Reports and Financial Records, March 1895, September 1898 – January 1900
- 4 / 15/ Miscellaneous Committee Reports, April 30, 1897 – October 27, 1899
- 4 / 16/ Memorial Window Committee Reports, February 2, 1900 – June 8, 1900
- 4 / 17/ Certificate of Recognition for President of the Thencanic Society [Samuel H. Wood], September 18, 1893
- 4 / 18/ Correspondence, 1882-1889
- 4 / 19/ Correspondence, 1890 - 1899
- 4 / 20/ Correspondence, 1900
- 4 / 21/ Mock Legislatures, no date, February 25, 1887
- 4 / 22/ Mock Legislatures, no date, March 17-24, 1893; November 17, 1893
- 4 / 23/ Mock Legislatures, January 12, - March 9, 1894
- 5 / 1 / Mock Legislatures, January 22 – April 2, 1897
- 5 / 2 / Orations, 1898-1900, and no date
- 5 / 3 / Program for the Reunion & Banquet of the Thencanic Society, June 16, 1903
- 5 / 4 / Programs, Debate (no date), Play (1901), Reunion (1905)

Series 10 Miscellaneous Model School Material

Box / Folder / Folder Title

- 5 / 5 / Tuition receipts: John McCormick, no date and 1862; George Hildebrecht, 1902-1903
- 5 / 6 / Commencement Programs, 1878, 1880
- 5 / 7 / History of Class of 1904, compiled by Class President Kenneth H. Lanning in 1930 (2 copies)
- 5 / 8 / *Modellian*, 1915 Model School Yearbook
- 10 / "The Girl Graduate: Her Own Book." Grace Bromwell Fletcher, Class of 1907
- "The Girl Graduate: Her Own Book." Emma R. Kerns Crofton, Class of 1916. [SB090]

Group 3 - Alumni Association

Series 11. Miscellaneous Alumni Material

Box / Folder / Folder Title

5 / 9 / Events Programs, 1901-1931,1939, 1952, 1956, 1991
5 / 10/ *Accent and Alumni Review*, 1987
5 / 11/ *Accent and Alumni Review*, 1988
5 / 12/ *Accent and Alumni Review*, 1989
5 / 13/ *Accent and Alumni Review*, 1990
5 / 14/ *Accent and Alumni Review*, 1991-1992
5 / 15/ *Accent and Alumni Review*, 1993
5 / 16/ *Alumni Review*, 1994
5 / 17/ *Alumni Review*, 1995-1996

Provenance: Much of this material was found in the collection. Items donated by specific individuals are noted in the inventory.

Processing Note: Duplicate material that had no unique notations were weeded from the collection. Duplicate additions of the *Seal* that were not ex-libris were donated to The College of New Jersey.

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Additional Resources

Collections at The College of New Jersey's R. Barbara Gitenstein Library's Archives and Special Collections: TCNJ History

The College of New Jersey's AtoM Site (atom.tcnj.edu), a central site that is gathering descriptions and digitized items from all of New Jersey's Normal Schools.

Collections at the New Jersey State Archives:

New Jersey Normal School Association/New Jersey Model School Company
Records, 1856 (series # PNEJN001)

New Jersey State Normal School at Trenton Annual Reports, 1855 – 1905 (series
SZNOM001)

New Jersey State Normal School at Trenton Miscellaneous Publications, 1847 – 1873
(Series SZNOM002)