The papers of New Haven Study Club deposited in the Library on converted the deposit to a gift.

Approximate number of items: 150 items plus 8 ledgers

Linear feet of shelf space occupied: 7½ inches

Restrictions: none

Literary rights of the unpublished writings of in these papers, and in other collections of papers in the custody of the New Haven Colony Historical Society Library, have been dedicated to the New Haven Colony Historical Society.

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Biographical note: The New Haven Study Club, a women's literary club, was founded in 1889 by Caroline Atwater Mason, wife of the pastor of the First Baptist Church. In 1892 a constitution was written and officers elected. Membership was limited to twenty and restricted to the elite. In 1925 the restrictions on membership were eliminated permitting any mother to "hold up the Study Club as a possible goal to her most ambitious daughter." The Club was dedicated to its purpose and did not extend its efforts into "welfare work." A program was set for the year and each member was assigned a specific topic.

For a more detailed history see Box I: folder A: document 14-17.

Analysis: The collection consists of loose documents and 8 ledgers and spans the period from 1892--1974. For additional information see the CONTENT guide.
NEW HAVEN STUDY CLUB
Content Guide

Box I

folder A. Organization
document 1-3. By-laws removed from small envelope dated 1926
4-13. By-laws, revisions, 1940-1951; removed from large envelope
14. By-laws (J. Burrows)
19-21. Study Club History, printed, 1933
22. Study Club History, 1966
26-27. Check list
28. List of Topics, 1923-1961
29-31. "Latin America" a digest, 1959-1961 prepared by Estelle Barber
32. Newspaper Clippings
33-37. Photographs, 1933, 1941
38. Memorabilia, calendar for 1933

B. Financial Records
16-22. Dues paid to Ct. Federation Women's Clubs
23. Contribution to Community Chest, 1933
24-38. Bills—Printer, 1931-1942

C. Correspondence, 1934-1961 [36]

D. Printed Programs of Meetings, 1900-1901, 1905-1911 [10]
E. Printed Programs of Meetings, 1911-1913, 1915-1921, 1923-1935 [21]
F. Printed Programs of Meetings, 1935-1960 [27]

G. Printed Programs of Meetings, 1961-1974 [14]

H. Minutes of Meetings, 1948-1956 (loose)
I. Topics of Meetings, 1892-1913 (small leather notebook)
J. Minutes of Meetings, 1913-1923 (bound ledger)

Box II (folder)

ledger A. Minutes of Meetings, 1923-1927
B. 1927-1934
C. 1934-1942
D. 1946-1948

*** Dec/80 added
Box I, Folder K: Edith Wharton by Nellie Hook (21 l)