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## Descriptive Summary

**Unit ID**

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**Unit ID**

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**Unit Date**

1925-1929

**Language**

English

**Creator**

Shipman, Franklin Leonard

**Extent**

1.16 Linear Feet 1 flat box

**Repository**

Washington and Lee University, University Library Special Collections and Archives

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## Biographical Note

Franklin Leonard Shipman was born on December 19, 1906 in Ohio. He graduated with a Bachelors of Law

degree from Washington and Lee in 1930. He died on January 30, 1973.

## Scope and Contents

This collection contains a scrapbook made by Franklin Leonard Shipman between 1924-1930. The front cover of the scrapbook has the name "Mark Kelly, '29" embossed on it, but the interior pages are specific to Shipman. Also embossed on the front cover are the Greek letters for the fraternity Beta Theta Pi.

Shipman's scrapbook includes clippings, ephemera, and photographs. The earliest portions contain ephemeral items related to athletics and the Alpha Chapter of Beta Theta Pi at Miami University in Ohio. There are photographs in the that were taken at Miami University, too. Thereafter, the scrapbook pages are primarily specific to Washington and Lee University. Subjects include proms, Finals week, Fancy Dress, Alpha Rho Chapter of Beta Theta Pi, dance and date card books, photos of the Troubadours (including one featuring male students dressed as women), football (including two souvenir programs), and commencement (1930). Of particular note is a W&L-branded cigarette package that was flattened and adhered to a scrapbook page. Photographs include Beta Theta Pi members across different years, campus buildings,, students, VMI, W&L Crew/Rowing on the North River, interior shots of the Chapel, interiors of the fraternity house and a student's room, the athletic field showing the Wilson Field Bridge, and inside the gym that appears to be decorated for a ball. Also in the scrapbook is what appears to be a metal license plate for 1929-1930 that is specific to Washington and Lee.

## Keywords

College Students -- Social life and customs

Washington and Lee University--Alumni and alumnae

Beta Theta Pi. Alpha Rho Chapter (Washington and Lee University)

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### Scrapbook

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