Guide to the Daughters of the American Revolution Blacklist controversy Papers

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HISTORICAL NOTE
In 1928, Mrs. Helen Tufts Bailie wrote an article accusing the Daughters of the American Revolution of circulating a "blacklist" of men and women who would not be welcome as speakers before D.A.R. members. The "blacklisted" people were accused of being Communists, Socialists, liberals, pacifists. Among those blacklisted by the D.A.R. was David Starr Jordan, former president of Stanford University. Many D.A.R. members and others protested the blacklist. Finally the Palo Alto chapter of the D.A.R. resigned their membership in the national organization.

SCOPE AND CONTENT
Included in this collection are pamphlets, newspaper clippings, magazine articles and correspondence dealing with the D.A.R. blacklist controversy.

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Articles
"Our Threatened Heritage", by Helen Tufts Bailie, 5-Apr-28
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Correspondence, 1928
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Correspondence relating to the Lewis and Clark Oregon chapter of the DAR and its condemnation of the National DAR's blacklist, 1928

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"The Blue Menace" by Elizabeth McCausland, Mar, 1928

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