Valeska Foss High School scrapbook 0396

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Abstract: “The Girl Graduate: Her Own Book” is embossed into the leather cover of this fragile scrapbook. The volume was kept by Valeska Foss of Lincoln High School in Los Angeles, California, between 1916 and 1919, the year she graduated from high school. The scrapbook is filled with small photographs, invitations, notes, clippings, programs, illustrations, and handwritten descriptions and narratives on the pages. The principal of Lincoln High School at the time was Ethel Percy Andrus who, among her many notable achievements, was the first woman high school principal in California and the founder of AARP (American Association of Retired Persons). The Ethel Percy Andrus Gerontology Center at the University of Southern California is named for her and the reason the donor gifted her scrapbook to USC.

creator: Contreras, Valeska Foss

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Acquisition
The scrapbook was donated to USC's Gerontology Center in 1980 by Valeska Foss Contreras.

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