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Collection Summary

Repository:	Archives and Special Collections Library, Vassar College Libraries
Creator:	Hadley, Helen Morris, 1863-1939
Title:	Helen Morris Hadley Papers
Dates:	approximately 1880-1928
Quantity:	0.4 cubic feet (2 boxes)
Abstract:	Bills and accounts from Hadley's days at Vassar and from subsequent reunions; and correspondence, speeches, and notes concerning her service at Vassar, approximately 1903-1927, including letters from Presidents Taylor and MacCracken; her Alumnae Association activities, 1913-1919; the Vassar budget, 1918-1928; and the controversy over dividing the Vassar History Department, 1906-1907.

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Biographical Note

Helen Harrison Morris Hadley (VC 1883) was the daughter of Luzon B. Morris, governor of Connecticut from 1894-1896. She was born in 1863 and later attended Vassar College, graduating with the class of 1883. In 1904 she was elected an Alumnae Trustee and was a member of the board for three terms totaling seventeen years. Mrs. Hadley served on several committees, notably the Committee on Euthenics and the Executive Committee. She was married to Arthur Twining Hadley, a political economist who was president of Yale from 1899-1921. Their son,

Morris, and his wife, Katharine Blodgett Hadley, also served as trustees of Vassar. Mrs. Hadley's sister, Mary Morris Pratt, was also deeply involved with the college; and her son, Richardson Pratt, was a trustee. Mrs. Hadley's interest was not confined to her alma mater; her service to Yale was recognized in 1935, when she was awarded the honorary degree of Master of Arts, and in 1959, a graduate women's dormitory was named for her. She died on 31 Mar 1939.

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Subject Headings

Names:

- MacCracken, H. N. (Henry Noble), 1880-1970
- Taylor, James Monroe, 1848-1916

Organizations:

- Alumnae and Alumni of Vassar College (Organization)
- Vassar College--Alumni and alumnae
- Vassar College--Students
- Vassar College. Board of Trustees
- Vassar College. Department of History

Subjects:

- Women's colleges--New York (State)--Poughkeepsie
- Women--Education

VCL Categories

- Vassar College Trustees

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Encoding Information

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Administrative Information

Preferred Citation

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Processing Information

Original processing date unknown.

Acquisition Information

Not known.

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Container List

Folder 1.1	Vassar. Includes statement about charter
Folder 1.2	Bills and accounts while a student at Vassar and for reunion activities
Folder 1.3	Letters from President Taylor, ca. 1905-1910
Folder 1.4	Letters from President MacCracken, 1915-1927
Folder 1.5	Other Vassar correspondence, ca. 1903-1920
Folder 1.6	V.C. Board of Trustees
Folder 1.7	V.C. Board of Trustees - Committees
Folders 1.8	V.C. Budget, 1918-1928
Folders 2.9	V.C. Budget, 1918-1928
Folder 2.10	Alumnae Association of Vassar College, 1918-1919
Folder 2.11	Provisional Alumnae Council, 1913-1917
Folder 2.12	World War I activities at V.C. and in Connecticut

Folder 2.13	V.C. History Department - Controversy about dividing department, 1906-1907
Folder 2.14	Association of Collegiate Alumnae
Folder 2.15	Speeches and notes
Folder 2.16	Non-Vassar correspondence

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Finding Aid Date

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