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Biographical/Historical Note

Amity High School, Amity, Clark County, Arkansas, originated as the Amity Male and Female Academy and was founded circa 1877 by Richard Melancthon Burke, who operated it until his death in 1883. After a series of short-term successors, Samuel M. Samson arrived in Amity in 1888 and spent the next twenty years heading what became Amity High School, a private boarding school. This school held its first classes in October 1891 with an enrollment of 35 students. Samson also oversaw the construction of a two-story, four-room brick building that could hold up to 250 students, and in 1909, the school added a $12,000 auditorium and five large recitation rooms.

Amity High School's annual yearbook, "The Reflector," was first published by the school's senior class in 1928. It contained class photos, along with news about the boys' football and basketball teams, the girls' basketball team, and two literary societies.

After Samson's retirement and eventual death in 1925, the school was absorbed into the Amity public school system. Seventy years later, in 1995, Amity schools consolidated with nearby Glenwood (Pike County) to form the new Centerpoint School District.

Scope and Contents

This collection consists of yearbooks from Amity High School, Amity, Arkansas, 1928-1929.

Administrative Information

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**Collection Inventory**

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