

*Eccritean Society Collection: MC Literary Societies (AR115)*

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## Literary Societies: Eccritean Society Collection

### Descriptive Summary

Title: Literary Societies: Eccritean Society Collection

Creator: Varies (Bulk Monmouth College)

Dates: 1857-1931

Extent: 1.25 Linear Feet (Four Boxes)

Language(s): English

Repository: Monmouth College Archives, Monmouth, Illinois

Abstract: The Literary Societies: Eccritean Society Collection includes the papers, photographs, records, programs, and various other documents left behind by the Eccritean Literary Society of Monmouth College from 1857-1931.

### Administrative Information

Cite as: The Literary Societies: Eccritean Society Collection

Provenance: Varies (Bulk Unknown)

Processed by: Ryan Cameron

Separations: See Inter-Societal Collection (AR112)

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### Historical/Biographical Background

Formed just one year after the first literary society on Monmouth College's campus, the Philadelphian Society, and from half of its members, the Eccritean Society was the second of the historic Literary Societies which made Monmouth College famous in from the mid-1800's until the early 1900's. Their motto, "Sic itur Ad Astra," translates to "This Way to the Stars."

## Container List

Box 1 (AR115 .001)

Folders:        \*Eccritean Society - Programs - 1865-1911

- 2 Program for "Dedication Exercises of the New Eccritean Hall" March 5 1909
- 2 Program for 'Eccritean Open meeting," Oct. 9 1908
- 1 Program, "Eccritean Society Toast"
- 1 Program, "Eccritean Peanut Night," Nov 1 1907
- 1 Program, "Eccritean Open Meeting," Oct 31 1907
- 1 Program, "Eccritean Society Open meeting," Oct 9 1906
- 2 Program for "Eccritean Peanut Night," Nov 4 1908
- 1 Program for "Eccritean Reunion," June 6 1906
- 1 Program for "Eccritean Peanut Night," Nov 9 1906
- 1 Program for "Eccritean Peanut Night," Nov 3 1903
- 2 Program for "Eccritean Peanut Night," Oct 30 1903
- 2 Program, 1 Blue, 1 Beige for "Eccritean Peanut Night," Nov 3 1911
- 1 Program for "Eccritean Open Meeting," Sept 19 1897
- 1 Program for "Eccritean Open Meeting," Sept 8 1899
- 1 Program for "Eccritean Open Meeting," Sept 26 1902
- 1 Program for "Eccritean Open Meeting," Sept 18 1896
- 1 Program for "Eccritean Open Meeting," Sept 12 1890
- 1 Program for "Eccritean Event," Jan 20 1882
- 1 Program for "Eccritean Open Meeting," sept 15 1882
- 1 Program for "Eccritean Open Meeting," Sept 7 1883

- 1 Program for "Eccritean Open Meeting," Jan 12 1883
- 1 Program for "Eccritean Society Meeting," Feb 7 1868
- 2 Program for "The Eleventh Annual Exhibition of the Eccritean Society," March 12 1869
- 3 Program for "Eccritean Society Meeting," Feb 7 1867
- 1 Program for "Eccritean Society Meeting," Feb 24 1865
- 1 Program for "Eccritean Open Meeting," Jan 22 1875
- 2 Program for "Eccritean Open Meeting," April 9 1880
- 2 Program for "The Twelfth Annual Exhibition of the Eccritean Society," Feb 10 1870
- 1 Program for "Eccritean Peanut Banquet," Nov 3 1911
- 1 Program for "Eccritean Open Meeting," Sept 9 ????

\*Eccritean Society - Composites

- 1 Photo of The Eccritean Society, 1931

\*Eccritean Society - Photos

- 1 Photo of The Eccritean Society Peanut Night, 1911
- 1 Clipped yearbook picture of The Eccritean Society, 1897
- 1 Scan of a clipping of a yearbook picture of The Eccritean Society, 1897

\*Eccritean Society - Constitution, Catalogues, 1857, 1867, 1896, 1906

- 1 Program for "Eccritean Society Meeting," Feb 24 1865
- 3 Copies of The Eccritean Society Constitution and By-Laws, 1906
- 1 Copy of The Eccritean Society Constitution and By-Laws, 1857
- 2 Copies, one beige, one dust, of The Constitution and By-Laws of The Eccritean Society together with a catalogue of the Society Library, 1896
- 2 Copies of The Catalogue of the Eccritean Society, 1857

\*Eccritean Society - Correspondence Book - 1857-1860

-1 Copy of The Eccritean Society Correspondence Book, 1857-1860

-1 Letter to The Eccritean Society, from L. L. Watson (M)

\*Eccritean Society - Bank Book - 1896-1898

-1 Copy of The Eccritean Society Bank Book, 1896-1898

-2 Pages of Eccritean Society Treasurer's Notes

\*Books, etc

-1 Copy of The Eccritean Society Treasury Book, 1874-1899

-1 Copy of The Eccritean Society Treasury Book, 1899-1918

-1 Copy of The Eccritean Society Roll Book, 1201-1913

Box 2 (AR115.002)

\*Books, etc

1 Copy of "Sketch," a thesis by Hugh Thomas Martin, Outlining the history of the Eccritean Society from 1857-1903

-1 Copy of The Eccritean Society Treasury Book, 1860-1866

-1 Copy of "Ledger III," 1900-1918

-1 Copy of The Eccritean Society Correspondence Book, 1866-67

-1 Copy of The Eccritean Society Meeting Book, 1871-78

\*Eccritean Society - Records & Correspondence 1871

-1 Sheet ledger paper, showing expenditures of the Eccritean Society

-1 Clipped set of minutes from June 16 1871 (1)

-1 Letter, illegible (I)

-1 Letter from the County Superintendent of Des Moines County, signed R.B. Snyder, Dec 16 1871

-1 Clipped set of minutes from June 16 1871 (2)

- 1 sheet of minutes from June 2 1871
- 1 sheet of minutes from June 9 1871 (1)
- 1 Sheet of minutes from June 9 1871 (2)
- 1 Sheet of minutes from May 19 1871

Box 3 (AR005.003)

\*Books, etc

- 1 Copy of Eccritean Meeting Minutes 1866-1871
- 1 Copy of Eccritean Fines Ledger 1900-1911
- 1 Copy of Eccritean Meeting Minutes 1899-1912

\*Eccritean Meeting Minutes 1888-1899

- 1 Copy of Eccritean Meeting Minutes 1888-1899

Box 4 (AR005.004)

\*Eccritean Secretary's Books, 1894-95, 1895-96, spring 1898 (PB)

- 1 Copy of The Eccritean Society's Secretary Book, Spring 1898
- 1 Copy of The Eccritean Society's Secretary Book, 1895-1896
- 1 Copy of The Eccritean Society's Secretary Book, 1894-1895 (C)

\*Eccritean Peanut Banquet Scrolls, 1913

- 2 Scroll programs for The Eccritean Society Peanut Banquet, 1913

\*Eccritean Meeting Minutes + Rolls 1857-1866

- 1 Copy of The Eccritean Society Meeting Minutes & Roll Book, 1857-66