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Biographical / Historical

Earl Gregg Swem was born 29 December 1870 in Belle Plaine, Iowa. He graduated from Lafayette College (A.B. and A.M.) Swem worked as a high school instructor 1893-1900. He worked for the John Crerar Library, the Superintendent of Documents Library, the Armour Institute Library, was the chief of the cataloging division of the Copyright Office of the Library of Congress, assistant Virginia State Librarian, and Librarian for the College of William and Mary. Swem compiled about forty finding lists and bibliographies, was managing editor of the William and Mary Quarterly and supervised the production of the Virginia Historical Index. He died in Louisville, Ky., 14 April 1965.

Scope and Contents

This collection contains program from the play titled "Meeting of the Board of Visitors of William and Mary College Dec. 7, 1779." The play was produced to commemorate when William and Mary was reorganized as a university, as well as when the honor and elective systems were established. The play was just one episode in the Virginia Historical Pageant, a celebration of the penetration of English civilization into America from Queen Elizabeth I through the American Civil War. The pageant took place in Richmond, Virginia on May 27, 1922. - New York Times, May 21, 1922.

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Scope and Contents

Booklet of short play entitled: The College of William and Mary becomes a University, Dec. 7, 1779: The meeting of the BOV when the college was changed into a university and when the honor system and the

elective system were established. Booklet and typed manuscripts transferred from College Papers folder 206. Episode in the Virginia Historical Pageant presented at Richmond May 27, 1922.

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Scope and Contents

Items transferred from College Papers Folder 205. Programs; typed manuscript; and photogravure section of the Richmond Times Dispatch showing pictures of the pageant.