

**A guide to the  
Stephen B. Shull (1885-1985)  
Diary Collection**

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## I. Collection Summary

<b>Title</b>	Stephen B. Shull (1885-1985) Diary Collection
<b>Extent</b>	.75 cubic feet, 1 box
<b>Date Range</b>	1917-1984
<b>Abstract</b>	<p>This collection comprises 60 diaries of Stephen Bennett Shull of Dansville, New York. Except for a gap between 1928 and 1930, there is a personal diary for every year between 1923 and 1984. The collection also includes two personal finance books and is generally arranged chronologically. The records are in very good condition and are individually encased in acid-free and lignin-free archival envelopes.</p>
<b>Languages</b>	English.
<b>Access and Restrictions</b>	<p>Use of the documents in the collection is for serious research and by request and permission of the Livingston County Historian's Office. Any use of the material in publications must be cited as follows, "Courtesy of Livingston County Historian's Office, New York". Additionally, all documents should be handled with care.</p> <p>To arrange to conduct research with the documents in the collection, contact the Livingston County Historian by mail at: 5 Murray Hill Drive, Mount Morris, NY, by phone at (585) 243-7955, or by e-mail at <a href="mailto:Historian@livingstoncountyny.gov">Historian@livingstoncountyny.gov</a>.</p>
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## **II. Biographical and Background Information**

Stephen Bennett Shull was born at Canaseraga, New York, in 1885 to Edwin Eugene Shull and Melva Alice Bates. Stephen accepted a job at a bakery and grocery in Dansville, New York, in 1903, and the rest of the Shulls moved from Canaseraga to Dansville in 1904. E. E. Shull delayed until milling was finished at the Bennett's Falls mill and then moved on to manage the Brewer Mill at Springwater.

Stephen spent this rest of his life in Dansville, and was eventually employed in the maintenance department of Dansville Central School, retiring in 1965. He was married to Mrs. Luella Hyde (nee Redmond) in July 1924, she passing away on December 11, 1977 at age 85. She was born in Ossian and was a telephone operator, and had been married to Ralph G. Hyde in 1905 and divorced in 1923. Luella and Stephen were both members of the Dansville Presbyterian Church and Stephen served as an elder. His residence had been at 17 Washington Street in Dansville, though he spent his last days at the Oak Manor Nursing Home at Warsaw, New York due to a brief illness. He passed away December 21, 1985, at the age of 100 years.

## **III. Contents List**

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| <b>Box 1</b> | Stephen Bennett Shull diaries, Sept. 1923 through 1927 (4 items)  |
| <b>Box 1</b> | Stephen Bennett Shull diaries, 1930 through Sept. 1984 (54 items) |
| <b>Box 1</b> | Stephen Bennett Shull pay schedule, 1971-1976                     |
| <b>Box 1</b> | Stephen Bennett Shull ledger, scattered 1917-1946                 |