Professional Opinion vs. User Directed Digitization, Round 1

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Scrapbook(s) (n):

A blank book in which various items (as newspaper clippings or pictures) are collected and preserved.
How Should Scrapbooks be Scanned?
• DPLA “scrapbook” Survey
  • 29 Partners
  • 55 Contributing Institutions
• 69 Total Scrapbooks surveyed
• 8 Scrapbook Aspects
DP.LA Survey Aspects

- Targets
- Borders
- Foldouts and Envelopes
- Loose Items
- Cropping and Zooming
- Blank Pages
- Orientation
- Structure
Targets

Scanned with Target

Scan without Target
Borders

No Borders

*With Borders
Loose Items ordered as found

Loose Items placed in back of scrapbook cover
Fold Outs

Not Unfolded  ✳ Unfolded Only  ✳ Both Folded and Unfolded
Items and Envelopes

Inside not scanned

* Insides scanned

Enveloped zoomed in
Cropping and Zooming

[* Zoomed and cropped foldout

Not zoomed and cropped in*
Structure

Multiple Objects (metadata records)  ★ Single Object (one metadata record)
Orientation

* Not Rotated

Rotated
Blank Pages

* Blanks scanned
Blanks not scanned
Blank Page Placeholder

This page blank in original
Conclusion:

• There are trends in certain methods for scanning
• One can find evidence for any method for scrapbook digitization
Pros vs. Users, Round 2

• User Experience tests
  • 2-3 variations of scrapbooks
  • 5-10 participants

• Narrowed aspects:
  • Fold outs
  • loose items
  • items in envelopes
  • orientation
  • cropping and zooming