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20TH CENTURY SHEET MUSIC
1903-1968
A Collection Donated by
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Introduction to the Collection

This collection encompasses sheet music from as early as 1908 to the most recent item in the collection dating to 1968. Quite a few of the pieces date back to the earlier part of the 20th century; these are the selections that generally have the most elaborate cover art. Before television, the Internet, MP3’s, or even CD’s, people often enjoyed music by actually playing it themselves. Moreover, without this aforementioned technology, marketing this music was probably a challenge, with the colorful cover art most likely undertaken to catch the eye of potential buyers.

As to the mechanics of this finding aid itself, the pieces are numbered by box and folder, the titles are in bold print, and the 8 oversized pieces of music, while part of the original sequence, are last, with the letter “O” included with number. Where the word “sample” is used in reference to additional music included with a piece, it denotes a full page of music. “Section” describes a more diminutive inclusion of the length of a few bars of music, or a miniature version of a piece of sheet music. Anything of smaller length has not been noted in the finding aid. The mentioning of these “samples” and “sections” at all gives an “in situ” context for the particular selection of sheet music, furthering defining the zeitgeist and time period when it was created.
Preservation Note

Each piece of sheet music has been placed in individual acid-free folders, but as some items of the collection are quite old, and they may not have been stored under the best of circumstances, oxidization has occurred in some cases. Moreover, some pieces are brittle with “frayed edges”, so it is recommended that the collection should be handled carefully with white cotton gloves. Additionally, 4 separate pieces of sheet music were sewn together on a sewing machine, (“Margie”, “Don’t Break My Heart With Good-Bye”, “That’s How You Can Tell They’re Irish”, and “You’d Be Surprised”), and it is not recommended at this time to separate them.

Provenance of the 20th Century Sheet Music Collection

This collection falls under the Humanities provenance of the Special Collections and Archives department, Nelson Poynter Memorial Library, USF St. Petersburg.

Scope and Contents

The contents are individually placed in acid-free folders and occupy 1 standard sized Hollinger box. No restrictions inhibit access to this collection other than the circumspect care with which it should be physically handled.
Container Listing

Box 1, Folder 1, “Someday You’ll Want Me To Want You”

- Jimmie Hodges/words & music
  1940
  Photograph of singer Elton Britt is on the cover.

Box 1, Folder 2, “Sleep”

- Earl Leibieg/words & music
  1922
  Waring’s Pennsylvanians are depicted on the cover.
  *Cover only, the rest is missing

Box 1, Folder 3, “Beale Street Mama”

- Roy Turk and J. Russel Robinson/words & music
  1923

Box 1, Folder 4, “Waiting for You”

- Milton C. Pfeiffer/words, Harry Provo/music
  1946
  “Featured by Wanda-Rio and Johnny King and His Orchestra”
  *Includes sections of “Deep In My Memory”, “The Bells of Christmas”

Box 1, Folder 5, “Little Mother ‘Mutterchen’ ”

- Erno Rapee and Lew Pollack/words & music
  1928
  “Lullaby Waltz, From the William Fox Production, Four Sons by Erno Rapee
  and Lew Pollack, writers of ‘Charmaine’, ‘Diane’ etc.”
  “Featured by Bob Olsen”
  *Includes section of “Diane”

Box 1, Folder 6, “Somewhere In Hawaii”

- C.J. Mac Meekin/words, J.A. Mac Meekin/music
  1918
  “Writers of The Big Success ‘Hawaiian Breeze’ ”
Box 1, Folder 7, “Big Rock Candy Mountain”
  - Arrangement by Nick Manoloff
  1935
  “Featured by Smiley Burnette over WLS”

Box 1, Folder 8, “The Whole Darned Thing’s For You”
  - Roy Turk/words, Fred E. Ahlert/music
  1930
  “Featured in Metro-Goldwyn Mayer’s Production ‘Children of Pleasure’ ”

Box 1, Folder 9, “Tales From The Vienna Woods”
  - Johann Strauss/music, arrangement by Moissaye Boguslawski

Box 1, Folder 10, “Loch Lomond (By Yon Bonnie Banks)”
  - Scottish traditional
  1938

Box 1, Folder 11, “The Glow-Worm (Gluhwurmchen-Idyll)”
  - Paul Lincke/music, transcription by Otto Lindermann
  1932

Box 1, Folder 12, “Mary Lou”
  - Creator unknown
  No date given
  “Featured by Irving W. Bragdon”
  *Cover only, badly damaged

Box 1, Folder 13, “Frankie and Johnny”
  - American Popular Song
  1935
“Gloria Hart with Art Kassel and ‘Kassels in the Air’”

Box 1, Folder 14, “Wishing Moon”
- Jack Frost/words, F. Henri Klickmann/music
  1919

Box 1, Folder 15, “The Desert Song”
- Sigmund Romberg/music, piano adaptation by Henry Levine
  1941

Box 1, Folder 16, “Remember The Rose”
- Sidney D. Mitchell/words, Seymour Simons/music
  1921
  *Incomplete, pages missing

Box 1, Folder 17, “Three O’Clock in the Morning”
- Dorothy Terriss/words, Julian Robledo/music
  [192-?]  
  *Includes sample of “Lovely Lucerne”
  *Front cover only, pages missing

Box 1, Folder 18, “I’m All Broken Up Over You”
- Joe Burke, Lou Herscher, Carl Hoefle, Joe Murphy/words & music
  1924
  *Includes sections of “Somewhere In The World”, “Open The Gate Of Your Heart”, “Linger Awhile”, “When Lights Are Low”
  *Lyrics have been sliced through
Box 1, Folder 19, “Grieving For You”

- Joe Gibson, Joe Ribaud, Joe Gold/words & music
1920
“Featured by Eddie Cantor in The Shubert Production, The Midnight Rounders”
*Includes sections of “A Young Man’s Fancy”, “I’m In Heaven When I’m In My Mother’s Arms”, “Honolulu Eyes”, “Down In Chinatown”

Box 1, Folder 20, “Funiculi-Funicula”

- Luigi Denza, arranged by Mort H. Glickman
1935
Photograph of Archie Bleyer is on the cover; “Archie Bleyer and His Orchestra”.

Box 1, Folder 21, “Sweet Lovin’ Mama Please Come Back To Me”

- Billy Wagner, Rollie Lockard/words & music
1923
*Includes sample of “Poor Bird of Paradise”

Box 1, Folder 22, “Suzanne”

- Leonard Cohen/words & music
1966

Box 1, Folder 23, “Ain’t We Got Fun”

- Richard A. Whiting/music, Gus Kahn and Raymond B. Egan/words
1921
George Watts, of Watts and Hawley, is pictured on the cover.
*Cover only, pages missing

Box 1, Folder 24, “Anchors Away” [The Song of the Navy]

- Chas. A. Zimmerman, revised lyric by George D. Lottman, revised melody by D. Savino
1930
**Box 1, Folder 25, “I Need You Now”**

- Jimmie Crane and Al Jacobs/words & music  
  1953  
  Eddie Fisher is pictured on the cover; “[r]ecorded by Eddie Fisher on RCA Victor Records”.

**Box 1, Folder 26, “Carry Me Back To Old Virginny”**

- James A. Bland/words & music  
  1935  
  Freddy Martin is pictured on the cover; “Freddy Martin and Orchestra”.

**Box 1, Folder 27, “(As Long As You’re Not In Love With Anyone Else) Why Don’t You Fall In Love With Me?”**

- Al Lewis/words, Mabel Wayne/music  
  1942  
  Dinah Shore is pictured on the cover; “[f]eatured by Dinah Shore”.

**Box 1, Folder 28, “You And I Waltz”**

- Claribell, arranged, fingered, and edited by Moissaye Boguslawski  
  1936

**Box 1, Folder 29, “Aloha Oe (Hawaiian Farewell Song)”**

- Marvin Lee/words, Queen Lydia Lilukalni/music  
  1940  
  Tommy Dorsey is pictured on the cover; “Tommy Dorsey and His Orchestra”.

**Box 1, Folder 30, “Sack Waltz”**

- J.A. Metcalf, arranged, fingered, and edited by Moissaye Boguslawski  
  1936  
  *This is one of two copies that we have of this piece; the second copy is in the oversized section of the box.*
Box 1, Folder 31, “Trini Lopez Souvenir Song Album”

- Collection of songs performed by Trini Lopez: “Angelito”; “Besame Mucho (Kiss Me Much)”; “Granada (Fantasia Espagnola)”; “Green, Green”; “If You Want To Be Happy”; “Jailor, Bring Me Water”; “Kansas City”; “(The) Lonesome Road”; “Marianne”; “Never On Sunday”; “Perfidia”; “(You’ve Got) Personality”; “Sad Tomorrows”; “Stagger Lee”; “(A) Taste Of Honey”; “Walk Right In”.

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Box 1, Folder 32, “You’d Be So Nice To Come Home To”

- Cole Porter/words & music
1942
“From the Columbia picture, Something To Shout About”
*Includes sections of other songs from Something To Shout About on the back cover

Box 1, Folder 33, “There’s A Vacant Chair At Home Sweet Home (When The World Goes Back On You)”

- Joe Goodwin/words, James Hanley/music
1920
“As Introduced At Messrs Lee and J.J. Shubert’s New York Winter Garden”
“Also Being Sung In Vaudeville and on the Concert Stage by all the Leading Artists of America”
*Includes sample of “In Old Manilla”

Box 1, Folder 34,

a) “Margie”
- Benny Davis/words, Con Conrad, J. Russel Robinson/music
1919

b) “Don’t Break My Heart With Good-Bye”
- Marvin Lee/words, Ernest R. Ball/music
1919

c) “That’s How You Can Tell They’re Irish”
- Thomas J. Gray, Clarence Gaskill/words & music
1920

d) “You’d Be Surprised”
    - Irving Berlin/words & music
1919

* These 4 separate pieces of sheet music have been stitched together, most likely with a sewing machine. “Don’t Break My Heart With Good-Bye” is in the worst condition of all the 4 pieces as the interior sheets have oxidized.

Box 1, Folder 35, “March and Chorus” from Tannhauser

    - Richard Wagner, arranged by Josef Low
    [192-?]
    *Includes sample of “Love And Devotion”, and sections “Sweetheart Of My Dreams”, “Let The Roses Tell”

Box 1, Folder 36, “Edelweiss Glide Waltz”

    - F.E. Vanderbeck, revised and fingered by Rudolf Thaler
    1908

Box 1, Folder 37, “Nola”

    - Felix Arndt
    1916

Box 1, Folder 38, “Hollywood Dance Folio”

    [1929?]
Box 1, Folder 39, “Ronny Lee's Rock’n’Roll Rhythms for Guitar”
  - Collection of practice songs for guitar students
  - Ronny Lee
  1968

Box 1, Folder 40, “Guitar Selections From Man Of La Mancha”
  - Joe Darion/words, Mitch Leigh/music, Ronny Lee/arrangement
  1966

Box 1, Folder 41, “Annabelle”
  - Lew Brown/words, Ray Henderson/music
  [1923?]
  "Writers of ‘Georgette’ ”
  Ted Lewis, (who is pictured on the cover), has signed this copy
  *Includes sample of “(Little Rover) Don’t Forget To Come Back Home”
  *Pages missing

Box 1, Folder 42, “La Golondrina, The Swallow”
  - N. Sarradell, arranged, fingered and edited by Moissaye Boguslawski
  1936

Box 1, Folder 43, “Dark Eyes”
  - Ray Buck
  1948
  *Three different arrangements of this piece included

Box 1, Folder 44, “The Waters of Shiloh”
  - Cora G. Dedrick/words, Lillian C. Jennings/music
  No date given
  *Section of lyrics from “The Well of Living Water” included on back
Box 1, Folder 45, “Imagine”

- Earle Burtnett, Jimmy Base, Jess Kirkpatrick, Ray Canfield/words & music
  1931

Box 1, Folder 46, “Little Old Log Cabin In The Lane”

- Al Lewis, Al Sherman, Neil Moret/words & music
  1929

Box 1, Folder 47, “Star Of The Sea (Reverie)”

- A. Kennedy, arranged by Moissaye Boguslawski
  1939

Box 1, Folder 48, “By The Sign Of The Rose”

- Sammy Lerner, Billy Rose/words, Buddy Fields, Richard A. Whiting/music
  1926
*Includes sample of “I Never Knew How Wonderful You Were (Til I Lost You, Wonderful One)”
*Pages missing, but cover is present

Box 1, Folder 49, “Kid Days”

- Jesse G.M. Glick/words, Irving M. Wilson/music
  1919
*Includes sections of “I’ll Be Happy When The Preacher Makes You Mine”, “And He Said Oo-La La! Wee-Wee”, “Mickey”, “Oh! The Woman In Room 13”

Box 1, Folder 50, “Beautiful Dreamer”

- Stephen C. Foster/words & music, arranged by Bernice Manoloff
  1936

Box 1, Folder 51, “Moments or Jewels of Memory”

- Charles Kuhn, Jeff Branen, Robert Kuhn/words & music
Wanda Hawley, “Paramount Star”, is pictured on the cover
*Includes sample of “Someday I’ll Make You Glad”

**Box 1, Folder 52, “Paper Doll”**

- Johnny S. Black/words & music
  1943
  “sung by the Mills Bros. on Decca Record No. 18318

**Box 1, Folder 53, “If Mother has a Radio in Heaven”**

- Bryan, Carlo, Sanders/words & music
  1931

**Box 1, Folder 54, “Sleepy Time Gal”**

- Jos. R. Alden, Raymond B. Egan/words, Ange Lorenzo, Richard A. Whiting/music
  1925
  “Featured by Dorothy Francisco”
  *Includes sample of “I’m Sitting On Top Of The World (Just Rolling Along)”,
  and sections of “Pal Of My Cradle Days”, “Let Me Linger Longer In Your Arms”

**Box 1, Folder 55, “The Old Lamp-Lighter”**

- Charles Tobias/words, Nat Simon/music
  1946
  Perry Como is pictured on the cover

**Box 1, Folder 56, “Where The Shy Little Violets Grow”**

- Gus Kahn, Harry Warren/words & music
  1928
  *Includes a sample of “King For A Day”

**Box 1, Folder 57, “I’m In The Market For You”**

- Joseph McCarthy/words, James F. Hanley/music
  1930
  “From The William Fox Musical Movietone Production ‘High Society Blues’ ”
  Janet Gaynor and Charles Farrell are pictured on the cover
  *Includes sections of “Eleanor”, “High Society Blues”
Box 1, Folder 58, “Barcarolle” (From “Tales of Hoffman”)
- Jerry Castillo/words, Jaques Offenbach/music
  1935
  Phil Baker is depicted on the cover

Box 1, Folder 59, “Brahms Lullaby”, (Cradle Song- “Wiegenlied”)
- Jerry Costello/words, Johannes Brahms/music
  1935

Box 1, Folder 60, “When My Sugar Walks Down the Street All the Little Birdies Go Tweet-Tweet-Tweet”
- Gene Austin, Jimmy McHugh, Irving Mills/words & music
  [1924?]  
  “The Hotsy Totsy Boys Radio’s Favorite Songsters” are pictured on the cover
  *Cover only, pages missing

Box 1, Folder 61, “When It’s Springtime in the Rockies”
- Mary Hale Woolsey/words, Robert Sauer, Milt Taggart/music
  1929
  “As Featured By Rudy Vallee And His Connecticut Yankees”
  Rudy Vallee pictured on the cover
  *Includes a sample of “Kiss Me With Your Eyes”

Box 1, Folder 62, “The Rosary”
- Robert Cameron Rogers/words, Georgia B. Welles/music
  1903
  *Includes sample of “Love And Devotion”, and sections of “Sweethearts of My Dreams”, “Let The Roses Tell”

Box 1, Folder 63, “In Old Kentucky”
- Anita Stewart/words & music
  1919
  *Includes sections of “I’ll Be Happy When The Preacher Makes You Mine”, “And He Said Oo-La La! Wee-Wee”, “Mickey”, “Oh! The Woman In Room 13”
Box 1, Folder 64, “Yoo-Hoo”

- B.G. De Sylva/words, Al Jolson/music
  1921
  “Al Jolson’s Sensational Song Success”
  Al Jolson is pictured on the cover
  *Includes sample of “Remember The Rose”

Box 1, Folder 65-O, “Call Me Up Some Rainy Afternoon”

- Irving Berlin/words & music
  1910
  Willy Heim is pictured on the cover

Box 1, Folder 66-O, “I’m Always Thinking of Georgia”

- Joe McCarthy/words, Jimmie V. Monaco/music
  1917
  *Includes sample of “Night Time In Little Italy”

Box 1, Folder 67-O, “The Sack Waltz”

- John A. Metcalf
  [1920?]
  *Includes samples of “In The Valley of Roses With You”, “I Want The Twilight And You”
  *There are 2 copies of this same piece in the collection, this has an older date, and is larger

Box 1, Folder 68-O, “What Do You Want To Make Those Eyes At Me For?”

- Joe McCarthy, Howard Johnson, Jimmy V. Monaco/words & music
  1916
  Emma Carus and Larry Comer are pictured on the cover

Box 1, Folder 69-O, “When Summer With Its Roses Comes Again”

- E. Clinton Keithly/words & music
  1912
  Velyn Clark is pictured on the cover
  *Included are samples of “Why Did You Say You Loved Me”, “When I Dream Of You, “At The Ragtime Ball”
**Box 1, Folder 70-O, “Mary”**

- Geo. L. Stoddard/words, Hugo Frey/music 1918
  *Includes a section of “Rockin’ The Boat”
  *Paper is in poor condition and close to crumbling

**Box 1, Folder 71-0, “Beautiful Ohio”**

- Ballard MacDonald/words, Mary Earl/music 1918
  *Pages missing

**Box 1, Folder 72-0, “In My Harem”**

- Irving Berlin 1913
  Berry & Berry are pictured on the cover
  *Pages missing