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Guide to the

**Effie Georgine Kuhn papers regarding Usigli's Crown of shadows**

1947-1949

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## Summary

**Creator:** Kuhn, Effie Georgine, 1891-1978

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**Date:** 1947-1949

**Size:** (1 portfolio), 28 cm; (1 portfolio), 28 cm

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## **Key Terms**

### **Genre/Physical Characteristic**

Correspondence

### **Subjects**

Theater -- New Jersey -- Trenton

### **Names**

Kuhn, Effie Georgine, 1891-1978

Carlota, Empress, consort of Maximilian, Emperor of Mexico, 1840-1927

Maximilian, Emperor of Mexico, 1832-1867

Usigli, Rodolfo, 1905-1979