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Guide to the

Leona Stephens papers

1878-1952

*T-Mss 2004-009

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Summary

Creator: Stephens, Leona

Title: Leona Stephens papers

Date: 1878-1952

Size: .21 linear feet (1 box)

Source: Gift of Mary Lee and Frank Murphy, 2004.

Abstract: Leona Stephens (born circa 1885) and her husband Len D. Hollister (1884-1936) were writers and actors who worked on the Broadway stage and in vaudeville in the early 20th century. Following Hollister's death, Stephens continued performing and publishing songs through the 1940s. The Leona Stephens papers date from 1878 to 1952 and contain photographs, programs, song lyrics, and sheet music that document the entirety of Stephens's career, as well as her vaudeville act with Hollister. In addition, the collection includes an 1878 program from Edwin Booth's performance in *Richelieu* at the Pittsburgh Opera House.

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Key Terms

Genre/Physical Characteristic

Photographs

Programs (documents)

Sheet music

Subjects

Theater -- New York (State) -- New York

Vaudeville

Names

Hollister, Len D.