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Guide to the

**W.J. Bumbala autograph album**

1918-1919

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## Summary

**Creator:** Bumbala, W. J

**Title:** W.J. Bumbala autograph album

**Date:** 1918-1919

**Size:** 1.5 linear feet (1 v.); 1 microfilm reel

**Source:** Gift, O'Brien, Esmonde M, 1950

**Abstract:** W.J. Bumbala was a radio engineer for an electrical equipment company in Phoenix, Arizona. During World War I he was interned in the U.S. as a German enemy alien. Autograph album which Bumbala kept during his internment at Fort Douglas, Utah contains entries made by his fellow prisoners. Included are poems, photographs, drawings, post cards, and commentary on internment in World War I.

**Access:** Advance notice required.

**Alternative Form Available:** Album available on microfilm; New York Public Library

**Preferred citation:** W.J. Bumbala autograph album, Manuscripts and Archives Division, The New York Public Library

**Language of the Material:** Most of the entries are in German

## Creator History

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## Scope and Content Note

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## **Key Terms**

### **Genre/Physical Characteristic**

Autograph albums

Diaries

Drawings (visual works)

Photographic prints

### **Subjects**

Germans -- United States

World War, 1914-1918 -- Concentration camps -- United States

World War, 1914-1918 -- German Americans

### **Names**

Bumbala, W. J