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Music Division

Guide to the

John Allison collection

ca.1897-1981

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Summary

Creator: Allison, John, 1893-

Title: John Allison collection

Date: ca.1897-1981

Abstract: John Allison was an American singer, composer, lyricist, and collector of folk songs. Folk songs, chiefly lyrics only, including songs for Space way ballads and Katonah; correspondence, radio scripts, clippings, scrapbooks, brochures, and published music with markings by Allison.

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Key Terms

Genre/Physical Characteristic

Brochures

Clippings
Correspondence
Musical scores
Scrapbooks
Songs

Occupations

Folk singers

Subjects

Folk songs

Names

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American Music Collection