Summary

Creator: Dean, Tunis F., b. 1870

Title: Tunis Dean correspondence

Date: 1906-1922

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Abstract: Tunis Ferdinand Dean was a theatrical manager, long associated with David Belasco. Born in Indianapolis, Indiana, in 1870, Tunis Dean moved to Baltimore, Md., as an adult, and managed Baltimore’s Academy of Music for several years. Affiliated for decades with the David Belasco organization, Tunis Dean acted as personal representative of Mr. Belasco, and served as tour manager for a number of prominent actors, including Mrs. Leslie Carter, David Warfield, Frances Starr and James O’Neill. Mr. Dean was also involved in professional athletics, as secretary of the Baltimore Orioles baseball team. The Tunis Dean correspondence spans 1906-1922, and consists of personal and business related letters written to Tunis Dean during that period.

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