Guide to the
Roland Young scrapbook and originals
1905-1973
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Summary

Creator: Young, Roland, 1887-1953
Title: Roland Young scrapbook and originals
Date: 1905-1973
Size: 1.3 linear feet (3 boxes)

Abstract: Stage, screen and television actor, Roland Young (1887-1953), was born in London and performed in England and the United States. One of his most notable films was Topper (1937). Young became a U.S. citizen in 1918; he died at home in his sleep in New York City in 1953. Roland Young's scrapbook and originals consist primarily of his original drawings and artwork, personal and professional photographs, scripts and poetry (several written by Young himself), a few pieces of correspondence, contracts, financial papers, and some personal ephemera, all documenting Young's life and acting career. There are some photographs of caricatures by Jean Negulesco. Stage and film productions included in the photographs are the film, The Great Lover (1949) with Bob Hope, the stage production, Perfect Pitch (Montclair Theatre, New Jersey, 1948) with Buddy Ebsen; Actors Cary Grant and Henry Daniell are in 2 candid photographs.

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Key Terms

Subjects
Actors -- England
Actors -- United States

Genre/Physical Characteristic
Caricatures
Photographs
Scripts
Sketches

Names
Negulesco, Jean
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