

THE CENTER FOR POPULAR MUSIC, MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY, MURFREESBORO, TN

BENJAMIN GROSBAYNE PAPERS

86-034

<u>Creator:</u> Grosbayne, Benjamin (1893-1976)

Type of Material:

Manuscript Textual Materials, Correspondence

Physical Description:

0.2 linear feet of manuscript materials

- 2 draft copies of table of contents for college songbook
- 1 folder correspondence and miscellaneous material
- 3 copies of songs
- 3 draft copies of song lyrics
- 2 draft copies of "Bibliography of College and University Song Collections"

Languages:

English

Dates:

1942, 1952, 1953, 1965, undated.

Abstract (Descriptive Summary):

This collection consists of manuscript papers relating to professor Benjamin Grosbayne's work to create The Brooklyn College songbook. The collection includes "Bibliography of College and University Song Collections," and drafts of song lyrics.

Repository:

Center for Popular Music, Middle Tennessee State University, Murfreesboro, TN 37132, (615) 898-2449

Access/Restrictions:

The collection is open for research use. All materials in this collection are subject to standard national and international copyright laws. Center staff are able to assist with copyright questions for this material.

Preferred Citation:

(Box Number, Folder Number/Name), Benjamin Grosbayne Papers 86-034, Center for Popular Music, Middle Tennessee State University, Murfreesboro, Tennessee

Provenance and Acquisition Information:

This collection was purchased from J. & J. Lubrano in February 1987.

Subject/Index Terms:

college songs Brooklyn College College Songbook Alma Mater songs

Agency History/Biographical Sketch:

Benjamin Grosbayne (1893-1976) received his A.B. from Harvard in 1917 and was an associate professor of music at Brooklyn College from 1940 to 1960.

Scope and Content:

Material collected/created by Benjamin Grosbayne, a professor of music at Brooklyn College, in preparing a book of college songs and yells. Includes multiple drafts, 40-50 papers, table of contents, notes, copies of songs, letters, 2 copies of "Bibliography of College and University Song Collections," and drafts of song lyrics, which include "America," "Dixie," "Oh! It's for Brooklyn," and "Stein Song (Maine)."

Collection Contents (Folder/Box List):

<u> Box #</u>	Folder #	Description
Box 1		
	Folder 1	Table of Contents, Draft
	Folder 2	Table of Contents, Draft
	Folder 3	Table of Contents, Draft
	Folder 4	Correspondence and Miscellaneous Materials Regarding Songbook
		Alumni Association Program with National Anthem and Alma Mater
		2 letters offering songs for inclusion in songbook – May18, 1942 and May 14, 1942.
		"Addenda: College Songbook"
		"The College Songbook" draft of list
		List of French songbooks
		Letter from Universiteits-Bibliotheek Amsterdam
		Letter from City Librarian of Cardiff
		Flyer for New Lost City Rambler songbook
	Folder 5	3 Songs (2 copies of Brooklyn College Alma Mater and Brooklyn
		College Victory March)
	Folder 6	Drafts of song lyrics

Folder 7 2 copies of "Bibliography of College and University Song Collections"

Arrangement:

Original arrangement is unknown, the collection came to the Center in two folders. It appears the original processing archivist organized the collection by type and themes that appeared naturally in the collection.

Materials Cataloged Separately:

No items of this collection have been cataloged separately.

Location:

These materials are located in the manuscripts section of the archival stacks, filed chronologically by accession number.

Related Materials:

The Center for Popular Music holds various college songbooks in its Rarebooks Collection, which are searchable through the CPM archival database.

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