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PROVENANCE

The Majority of the collection was a gift from Edward McCollin's daughter, Katharine Arnett. The scrapbook was transferred from the Otto E. Albrecht Music Library - University Library, 2010 (2010:39).

ARRANGEMENT

The collection is organized into two series - University Material and Musical Material. The University Material contains a scrapbook and copies of the University Record. The Musical Material is organized into Published Material, Sheet Music, and Musical Fund; with material arranged alphabetically.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Edward Garrett McCollin was a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania and was active in Philadelphia's musical community. Born on July 6, 1858 in Baltimore, MD, McCollin's attended

the Hastings Academy prior to entering the University of Pennsylvania as a member of the Class of 1878 in the Department of Arts. While at Penn McCollin was a member of Phi Kappa Psi, Philomathean Society, and chief editor of the University Magazine. After receiving his A.B. in 1878 he studied in the Music department for a year prior to entering the Law School. Graduating with his LL.B. in 1880, McCollin began his career as an attorney.

Music and the University remained key parts of McCollin's life. He composed music under his own name or as Garrett Colyn, including "Ben Franklin" and "The Pennsylvania Girl." In addition to serving as president of the Musical Fund Society, he was a founder of the Philadelphia Orchestra with E. I. Keefer. McCollin was prominent in University Alumni activities and served as president of the College Alumni Society.

McCollin died at his Philadelphia home on November 24, 1923.

SCOPE AND CONTENT

The Edward G. McCollin Collection consists of material related to McCollin's time as a student at the University of Pennsylvania and a composer in Philadelphia. The University Material contains a scrapbook from his undergraduate years, and copies of the University Record for the years 1878-1881. The Musical Material contains 2 published items, some sheet music by McCollin as well as one score by Frances McCollin and another by Josep Valls, as well as material related to the Musical Fund Society.

CONTROLLED ACCESS HEADINGS

Corporate Name(s)

- Edward Garrett McCollin Memorial Fund.
- Germania Orchestra (Philadelphia, Pa.).
- Musical Fund Society of Philadelphia.
- Orpheus Club of Philadelphia.
- University of Pennsylvania. -- General subdivision--Songs and music.;

Genre(s)

- Musical scores.
- Sheet music.

Occupation(s)

- Composers.

Personal Name(s)

- Valls, Josep., fl. 1933., Date of a Work--1933.; Medium of performance of music--two violins, viola, cello and orchestra.; Title of a work--Concerto;

Subject(s)

- Songs--Vocal scores with piano.--United States
- Students' songs--United States.

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INVENTORY

UNIVERSITY MATERIAL	Box	Folder
Scrapbook 1874-1878	1	1
Loose Items		
Class of 1878	1	2
Class of 1879	1	3
Glee Club Programs 1877-1879	1	4
Law Department 1878-1879	1	5
Newspaper Clippings 1878	1	6
Programs 1878-1879	1	7
University Record		
Class of 1878	1	8
Class of 1879	1	9
Class of 1880	1	10
Class of 1881	1	11
MUSICAL MATERIAL	Box	Folder
Published Items		

History of the Orpheus Club of Philadelphia, 1872 - 1936 1938	1	12
Songs of the University of Pennsylvania 1909	1	13
Sheet Music		
Christmas Carol 1887	1	14
College Scores: Arranged for the Orpheus Club of Philadelphia 1896	1	15
Composition book: Manuscript E.G.M. 1877-1883	2	1
Composition book: Manuscript E.G.M. 1883	2	2
Concerto, by Josep Valls 1932	2	3
Daisy Song 1883	2	4
Flower Voices 1898	1	16
Gotham's Three Wise Men 1882	1	17
Hymen, Late his Love Knots Selling 1892	1	18
Hymn 248 1891	1	19
I Will Lay Me Down in Sleep 1889	1	20
My Songs are all of Thee 1892	2	5
O Come Let Us Sing 1898	1	21
Pennsylvania Girl 1894	2	6
Persian Serenade n.d.	2	7
Pheobe Bird, and O! Lamb of God, by Frances McCollin 1904	2	8
Sanctus Dens 1883	2	9
Serenade (Male Voices) 1887	1	22
Slumber Song n.d.	2	10
Song of a Boat 1883	2	11

Special Songs and Services for Primary and Intermediate Classes by Mrs. M. G. Kennedy No. 3 1898	1	23
Though art like unto a flower 1890	2	12
Though art not near me 1890	2	13
Towers of Spring 1925	1	24
Untitled n.d.	2	14
Voice that Breathed O'er Eden 1891	2	15
Wedding Hymns: O Perfect Love, The Voice That Breathed O'er Eden ca. 1891	1	25
Musical Fund Society		
McCcollin Memorial 1922-1954	1	26
Scrapbook: Concerts of the Germania Orchestra at Musical Fund Hall under the Auspices of the Musical Fund Society (kept for the Committee) 1895-1896	1	27