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Guide to the

Georgette Cohan photographs and memorabilia

1895-1978

*T-Mss 1992-036

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Summary

Creator: Cohan, Georgette

Title: Georgette Cohan photographs and memorabilia

Date: 1895-1978

Size: .42 linear feet (1 box)

Source: Donated by Mildred E. Siegel, 1992.

Abstract: Georgette Cohan (1900-1988) was an American actor, and daughter of George M. Cohan and musical comedy performer Ethel Levey. Her photographs and memorabilia (1895-1978) include images of Cohan, her mother, her husband J. William Souther, other family members, colleagues, and her longtime romantic partner George W. Brown. The collection includes a program from the Broadway play *Diplomacy* (1928) and a report card, photographs, and programs from Cohan's time as a student at the Institution de Mmes. Morel de Fos in Paris in the early 1910s. The collection contains a small number of notes and cards to Cohan, some in French. There is an original design of a dress for Jane Cowl as Juliet, drawn by Rollo Peters; the drawing was given to Cohan by Peters. Material concerning Ethel Levey includes a flier for a 1922 vaudeville performance and certificates of membership for Catholic associations. There are clippings about George Cohan, primarily from the 100th anniversary of his birth in 1978. A certificate conferred on George Brown by "l'Ordre des Noctambules" is also present.

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Key Terms

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Names

Cohan, George M. (George Michael), 1878-1942

Levey, Ethel, -1955