RICHARD DICK ROBBINS COLLECTION, CA 1940

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

VOLUME OF 3 manuscript boxes, 3 OMB boxes, 2 folders of photographs

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1936–1940s

DATES:

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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Richard "Dick" Robbins was the director of the Campus Club Orchestra, a nine piece band with a vocalist. Robbins directed the Campus Club organization at Butler University for four years before forming his own orchestra, where he played drums and was vocalist. Robbins' group received local fame during the late 1930s and early 1940s. The orchestra quickly became a local favorite and played at Purdue University, Earlham College, Indiana University, Hanover College, and Butler University, in addition to bookings at the Woodstock Country Club, Columbia Club, and hotels in Indianapolis. Mostly they played at business receptions, dances for returning servicemen, and high school and college dances.

Sources:

Materials in collection

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The bulk of this collection contains sheet music of orchestra arrangements of popular songs from the 1930s and 1940s, both printed and handwritten. The printed sheet music is arranged alphabetically when the entire arrangement was together, otherwise it is separated by instrument, e.g. piano, drums, saxophone. Three oversize boxes contain handwritten scores for different instruments. There is one folder of clippings and a program from one of the club's performances. It also contains two folders of photographs of members of the band and the whole band, posing and during performances.

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Orchestra arrangement sheet music, printed, A–I, ca. 1940s	Box 1, Folder 4
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Orchestra arrangement sheet music, printed, guitar, ca. 1940s	Box 1, Folder 9
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