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## ASSORTED INDIANAPOLIS LETTERS AND CERTIFICATE, 1896–1968

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## BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Howard Hoagland (Hoagy) Carmichael (1899-1981) was born in Bloomington, Indiana, where he was educated and began his musical career. Although best known for his compositions, he was also a radio artist, recording artist, writer for Broadway shows, and a moving picture and television actor. Carmichael's most famous compositions include, *Stardust*, *Rockin' Chair*, *Lazybones*, *Georgia on My Mind*, *In the Cool, Cool, Cool, of the Evening*, and *I Get Along Without You Very Well*. Hoagy also had feature roles in several moving pictures, including *Best Years of Our Lives*, *Young Man With A Horn*, *To Have and Have Not*, and *Johnny Angel*.

James B. Curtis was commissioned captain of the Twenty-Seventh Indiana Battery in the Spanish American war. In the 1890s, he served as a city attorney for Indianapolis, Indiana.

Sources:

Collection materials.

Henry, William E. comp. *Legislative and State Manual of Indiana for 1899 and 1900*. Indianapolis: Wm. B. Burford, 1899.

*Who Was Who*, vol. 8, p. 68.

## SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

This collection contains two letters and a certificate related to Indianapolis, Indiana. One letter is from Hoagy Carmichael to Lowell Nussbaum, dated 21 August 1968. It discusses his childhood residence on Lockerbie Street near the Riley residence. The other letter is from the Indianapolis Board of Public Works to Captain James B. Curtis, City Attorney, dated 26 October 1896. It discusses paperwork for the widening of the first alley east of Meridian Street. The certificate in the collection is a City of Indianapolis Brewer's License, dated 14 November 1903. No dealer is listed on the certificate, but it is signed by both the mayor, John W. Holtzman, and the city controller, Jacob P. Dunn.

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