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**Jerome Mettetal's Collection of Opera Related Materials, 1913-
1978.**

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ABSTRACT:

Jerome Mettetal's Collection of Opera Related Materials contains items regarding his donation of recordings and print materials to the Folke Bernadotte Memorial Library. Also included are materials he collected regarding opera and opera singers, with a special concentration on Jussi Björling, a Swedish opera singer.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE:

Rev. Jerome Mettetal was born 23 July 1925 in Detroit, Michigan. As a young boy he studied piano and violin and served as concertmaster of his high school orchestra. He began college at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor in 1943 before he transferred to the Detroit College of Law in 1944. He received his Bachelor of Laws in 1948 followed by his Master of Divinity from McCormick Theological Seminary in Chicago in 1954. Mettetal died 26 February 1977.

SCOPE AND CONTENT:

This collection is divided into four series: Jerome Mettetal Collection; Jussi Björling; Other Artists; and Miscellaneous.

Jerome Mettetal Collection consists of correspondence related to the donation of items to the Folke Bernadotte Memorial Library, along with a collection brochure, and a program from the dedication.

Jussi Björling contains materials Mettetal collected regarding the Swedish opera singer. Included are a scrapbook, clippings, correspondence, and photographs.

Other Artists encompasses correspondence, programs, and photographs collected relating to other opera singers and pianists.

Miscellaneous includes autographs from musical artists and various opera programs.

RESTRICTIONS:

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COLLECTION CITATION:

Jerome Mettetal's Collection of Opera Related Materials, 1913-1978. CAMC Collection 160. Gustavus Adolphus College Archives, St. Peter, Minnesota.

ACQUISITION:

Michael Haeuser, Library Director, transferred this collection during 1981.

PROCESSED BY:

Archives staff organized these materials during the 1980s.

Adrianna Darden processed this collection and developed the finding aid during November 2016.

RELATED COLLECTIONS:

The Folke Bernadotte Memorial Library holds a large collection of recordings and printed materials donated by Jerome Mettetal.

SUBJECT HEADINGS:

Mettetal, Jerome, 1925-1977.

Björling, Jussi, 1911-1960.

Duckwitz, Dorothy.

Farrar, Geraldine, 1882-1967.

Novaes, Guiomar.

Olivero, Magda.

Ponselle, Rosa, 1897-1981.

CAMC Collection 160	Box	Folder
Jerome Mettetal Collection, 1961-1978		
Brochure, undated	1	1
Correspondence with Library, 1961, 1977-78, and undated	1	2
Dedication, 1978	1	3
Jussi Björling, 1940-1973		
Album, 1946-73 and undated	1	4
Björling Concert Hall Dedication, 1971	1	5
Clippings, 1940-69	1	6
Correspondence with Anders and Janet Björling, 1963-73	1	7
Correspondence with Columbia Artists Management, 1961 and 1968	1	8
Correspondence with Frederick Schauwecker, 1971-72	1	9
Correspondence with various recipients, 1961-71	1	10
Discographies and Recording Lists, undated	1	11
Metropolitan Opera, 1950-51 and 1967-68	1	12
Photographs, 1959 and undated	1	13
Other Artists, 1919-1973		
Dorothy Duckwitz, 1923-67	1	14
Geraldine Farrar, 1952	1	15
Guiomar Novaes, 1919-69 and undated	1	16
Magda Olivero, 1973	1	17
Rosa Ponselle, undated	1	18
Miscellaneous, 1913-1967		
Autographs, 1943-62	1	19
Opera Programs, 1913-67 and undated	1	20