

# Robert Winslow Gordon papers



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## Collection Summary

**Title:** Robert Winslow Gordon papers

**Inclusive Dates:** 1840-1961

**Bulk Dates:** 1920-1933

**Call No.:** AFC 1928/003

**Collector:** Gordon, Robert Winslow

**Extent (whole collection):** approximately 22,339 documents

**Extent (whole collection):** 47 containers

**Language:** Collection material in English

**Location:** American Folklife Center, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

**LC Catalog record:** <https://lccn.loc.gov/2020655201>

**Summary:** Song texts, correspondence, publications, and fieldnotes collected by Robert Winslow Gordon.

## Provenance

Robert Winslow Gordon; Donation; 1928-1932.

## Accruals

No further accruals are expected.

## Processing History

The Robert Winslow Gordon papers were processed by Sara Ludewig and Ying-Ting "Serena" Chiu in 2023. Some of the materials in Series 5 and Series 6 were treated by Grace Walters and Jennifer Evers in Conservation. Prior to processing in 2023, these papers received various rehousing, conservation treatments, and rearrangements.

## Related Material

Related materials in the Library of Congress's collections:

- [American Folk-Song Collection: Gordon Manuscripts, 1921-1930](#) (bound copy of Series 1 from AFC 1928/003)
- [Robert Winslow Gordon cylinder collection, 1922-1928 \(AFC 1928/002\)](#)
- [Robert Winslow Gordon songsters collection, 1844-1886 \(AFC 1928/004\)](#)
- [Robert W. Gordon collection of disc recordings, 1932 \(AFC 1969/002\)](#)
- [Kodish, Debora G. "Good Friends and Bad Enemies": Robert W. Gordon and American Folksong Scholarship." MA thesis, Memorial University of Newfoundland, 1977. \(AFC 1978/011\)](#)
- [Kodish, Debora G. \*Good Friends and Bad Enemies: Robert Winslow Gordon and the Study of American Folksong\*. Urbana: University of Illinois Press, 1986.](#)
- [Debora G. Kodish collection on Robert Winslow Gordon, 1968-1985 \(AFC 2004/019\)](#)

Additional papers belonging to Robert Winslow Gordon, primarily folk songs collected by Gordon, can be found in the [Robert W. Gordon collection](#) at the University of Oregon Libraries, Special Collections and University Archives in Eugene, Oregon.

## Copyright Status

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## Access and Restrictions

The Robert Winslow Gordon papers are open to research. To request materials, please contact the Folklife Reading Room at <https://hdl.loc.gov/loc.afc/folklife.contact>

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## Microfilm

A microfilm edition of the Robert Winslow Gordon papers is available on 15 reels in the Music Division at the Library of Congress. The collection is not duplicated in its entirety on microfilm and the arrangement of the physical papers has changed over time and no longer mirrors the arrangement of the papers on the microfilm. Researchers wishing to use the microfilm version of these materials should contact the Performing Arts Reading Room at <https://hdl.loc.gov/loc.music/perform.home>

## Preferred Citation

Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: [item, date, container number], Robert Winslow Gordon papers (AFC 1928/003), American Folklife Center, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

## Biographical Note

Robert Winslow Gordon was born in 1888 in Bangor, Maine. He studied English at Harvard beginning in 1906, working under George Lyman Kittredge. In 1912 he married Roberta Peter Paul of Darien, Georgia, and their only child, a daughter named Roberta, was born in 1914. Gordon accepted a position as assistant professor of English at the University of California, Berkeley in 1917. During his tenure as a professor at the University of California between 1917 and 1924, Gordon collected over a thousand shanties and sea songs on the waterfront in San Francisco and Oakland. In 1923, Gordon began editing the column "Old Songs that Men Have Sung" in the pulp magazine *Adventure*. In the column, he printed songs requested by readers and asked readers to submit additional texts and verses, and in doing so built a robust collection of folk songs. In 1925, he embarked on a year-long research trip with the goal of creating the definitive collection of American folksong. During this time he collected songs in Asheville, North Carolina, and Darien, Georgia.

In 1928, the Librarian of Congress, Herbert Putnam, appointed Gordon as a "specialist and consultant in the field of Folk Song and Literature" in the Music Division. Later, Gordon adopted the title of director of the Archive of American Folk-Song. During this time, Gordon continued to live and conduct research in Darien, Georgia. In 1929, at the request of Putnam and Carl Engel, chief of the Music Division, Gordon concluded his fieldwork and moved to Washington, D.C. While in D.C., Gordon experimented with recording apparatuses and conducted his own tests with wax cylinders, wire recorders, and disc recorders. In 1933, dwindling funds and dissatisfaction with Gordon's performance led to the end of his tenure as the Director of the Archive of American Folk-Song. He continued to work as an editor and professor of English until he passed away in 1961.

## Scope and Content

The collection comprises song texts, correspondence, publications, and field notes collected by Robert Winslow Gordon over the course of his career as a folklorist. The bulk of the collection includes correspondence and songs contributed by readers to the "Old Songs that Men Have Sung" column in *Adventures Magazine*, edited by Gordon. Also included are song texts from Gordon's fieldwork as well as song texts collected by others and given to Robert Winslow Gordon. Gordon also collected published music books, serials, magazines, and article reprints and these materials are included as part of his papers alongside his professional correspondence and field notes. Gordon spent the end of his life compiling and indexing his collection, and the card catalog song index he created is also included as part of the collection.

# Arrangement

The Robert Winslow Gordon papers are organized in 8 series:

- [Series 1: Correspondence and song texts contributed to the "Old Songs that Men Have Sung" column, Adventure Magazine, 1923-1929](#)
- [Series 2: Song texts from fieldwork conducted by Robert Winslow Gordon, 1920-1925](#)
- [Series 3: Song texts collected by others and acquired by Robert Winslow Gordon, 1922-1932](#)
- [Series 4: "Inferno" collection, 1920-1928](#)
- [Series 5: Published music, 1862-1932 \(bulk: 1919-1932\)](#)
- [Series 6: Published serials, magazines, and reprints, 1840-1932 \(bulk: 1910-1932\)](#)
- [Series 7: Correspondence and notes, 1914-1961 \(bulk: 1920-1932\)](#)
- [Series 8: Card catalog, undated](#)

## Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the LC Catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically.

### People

Frothingham, Robert, 1865-1937  
Gordon, Robert Winslow  
Henry, Mellinger Edward, 1873-1946  
Johnson, Guy Benton, 1901-1991  
Odum, Howard Washington, 1884-1954  
Winger, Betty Bush

### Subjects

Bawdy songs.  
Folk music--California.  
Folk music--Georgia.  
Folk music--North Carolina.  
Folk music--United States.  
Sea songs.  
Songs--Texts.

### Titles

*Adventure (New York, N.Y.)*

### Form/Genre

Correspondence.  
Folk song texts.  
Manuscripts.  
Song texts.

# Description of Series

## Container

## Series

### [Series 1: Correspondence and song texts contributed to "Old Songs that Men Have Sung," \*Adventure Magazine\*, 1923-1929](#)

Approximately 3,858 letters containing songs and queries contributed to Robert Winslow Gordon in his role as editor of the "Old Songs That Men Have Sung" column in *Adventure Magazine* between 1923 and 1929.

#### [Subseries 1: Originals](#)

#### [Subseries 2: Typescript carbons, 1923-1929](#)

### [Series 2: Song texts from fieldwork conducted by Robert Winslow Gordon, 1920-1925](#)

#### [Subseries 1: California, circa 1920-1923](#)

Approximately 150 songs and groups of texts collected by Robert Winslow Gordon while he lived in California between 1920 and 1923. The first songs correspond with cylinder recordings 1-131.

#### [Subseries 2: North Carolina, October-December 1925](#)

Approximately 374 songs collected by Robert Winslow Gordon during a field trip to North Carolina between October and December 1925. Texts 1-298 correspond with cylinder recordings A1-A202.

### [Series 3: Song texts collected by others and acquired by Robert Winslow Gordon, 1922-1932](#)

#### [Subseries 1: J.P. Boyd manuscripts, 1926-1927](#)

Approximately 125 songs collected by J.P. Boyd in Alliance, North Carolina between 1926 and 1927.

#### [Subseries 2: R.M. Davids manuscripts, circa 1924](#)

Approximately 33 songs collected by R.M. Davids in Woodmere, Florida, circa 1924. Given to Robert Winslow Gordon by Joanna Colcord in New York, New York in December 1929.

#### [Subseries 3: Robert Frothingham manuscripts, 1922-1923](#)

Approximately 137 letters containing queries and songs for Robert Frothingham, editor of the "Old Songs that Men Have Sung" column of *Adventure Magazine*, 1922-1923 as well as correspondence to and from Frothingham while he was editor.

#### [Subseries 4: J.H. Hanford manuscripts, 1930](#)

Approximately 8 songs collected by J.H. Hanford from Esther Stover in Cleveland, Ohio in January 1930. Stover learned the songs from her father in Iowa City, Iowa.

#### [Subseries 5: Mellinger Edward Henry manuscripts, 1928-1929](#)

Approximately 61 southern Appalachian songs collected by Mellinger Edward Henry of Ridgewood, New Jersey in 1928-1929. Most texts and headnotes were subsequently published by Henry in the *Journal of American Folklore* and in *Folk-Songs from the Southern Highlands*.

**Subseries 6: Guy B. Johnson manuscripts, circa 1929**

Approximately 15 songs contributed by Guy B. Johnson of the University of North Carolina, circa 1929. Written down by Walter Jordon of New York, as he learned them in the American South in 1909.

**Subseries 7: Mary Newcomb manuscripts, 1929-1930**

Photostat manuscript entitled "Songs My Mother Sang," containing 210 texts and 101 tunes from New Hope, Kentucky, contributed by Mary Newcomb of Louisville, Kentucky from 1929-1930.

**Subseries 8: Howard W. Odum and J.D. Arthur manuscripts, 1929**

Approximately 83 songs contributed by Howard W. Odum of the University of North Carolina in July 1929. Obtained by Odum from J.D. Arthur of Tennessee.

**Subseries 9: R.W. Phillips manuscripts, 1924**

Approximately 22 songs contributed by R.W. Phillips of Akeley, Minnesota in March 1924.

**Subseries 10: Betty Bush Winger manuscripts, 1931-1932**

Approximately 125 songs obtained from Betty Bush Winger of Point Pleasant, West Virginia, including traditional African American songs from Winger's home in the Ozark region of Missouri.

**Series 4: "Inferno" collection, circa 1920-1928**

Bawdy songs taken from the *Adventure*, California, Georgia, and Davids manuscripts and indexed separately.

**Series 5: Published music, 1862-1932**

Published music collected by Robert Winslow Gordon, many of these publications are inscribed to Gordon by the composer.

**Series 6: Published serials, magazines, and reprints, 1840-1932**

Published magazines, serials, and article reprints collected by Robert Winslow Gordon.

**Series 7: Correspondence and fieldnotes, 1914-1961**

Correspondence to and from Robert Winslow Gordon and assorted fieldnotes written by Gordon over the course of his career.

**Series 8: Card Catalog, undated**

Index of songs in the Robert Winslow Gordon collection. This card catalog was created by Gordon at the end of his career at the Library of Congress.

# Container List

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	<b>Subseries 1: Originals</b>
BOX-FOLDER 1/1	Song texts 1-32 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 1/2	Song texts 33-60 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 1/3	Song texts 61-90 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 1/4	Song texts 91-120 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 1/5	Song texts 121-150 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 1/6	Song texts 151-180 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 1/7	Song texts 181-216 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 2/1	Song texts 218-255 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 2/2	Song texts 260-295 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 2/3	Song texts 296-330 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 2/4	Song texts 331-360 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 2/5	Song texts 361-393 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 2/6	Song texts 394-420 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 3/1	Song texts 421-450 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 3/2	Song texts 451-470 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 3/3	Song texts 471-510 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 3/4	Song texts 511-540 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials

Series 1: Correspondence and song texts contributed to "Old Songs that Men Have Sung," *Adventure Magazine*, 1923-1929

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BOX-FOLDER 3/5	Song texts 541-570 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 3/6	Song texts 571-600 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 3/7	Song texts 601-630 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 4/1	Song texts 631-654 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 4/2	Song texts 655-680 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 4/3	Song texts 681-704 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 4/4	Song texts 706-730 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 4/5	Song texts 731-755 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
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BOX-FOLDER 5/2	Song texts 831-850 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
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BOX-FOLDER 5/5	Song texts 901-920 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
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BOX-FOLDER 6/5	Song texts 1100-1130 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 6/6	Song texts 1131-1162 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 6/7	Song texts 1163-1173 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials



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<b>Container</b>	<b>Contents</b>
BOX-FOLDER 7/1	Song texts 1174-1205 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 7/2	Song texts 1206-1235 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 7/3	Song texts 1236-1270 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 7/4	Song texts 1271-1305 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 7/5	Song texts 1306-1345 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 7/6	Song texts 1346-1385 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 7/7	Song texts 1386-1410 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 8/1	Song texts 1411-1450 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 8/2	Song texts 1451-1490 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 8/3	Song texts 1491-1520 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 8/4	Song texts 1521-1549 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 8/5	Song texts 1550-1575 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
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BOX-FOLDER 8/7	Song texts 1606-1622 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 9/1	Song texts 1623-1650, 1923-1929 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 9/2	Song texts 1651-1679, 1923-1929 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 9/3	Song texts 1680-1710 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
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BOX-FOLDER 10/2	Song texts 1879-1909 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 10/3	Song texts 1910-1949 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials

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BOX-FOLDER 10/4	Song texts 1950-1989 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
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BOX-FOLDER 10/6	Song texts 2038-2089 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
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Series 1: Correspondence and song texts contributed to "Old Songs that Men Have Sung," *Adventure Magazine*, 1923-1929

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BOX-FOLDER 17/5	Inventory, Part 2, pages 101-200 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 17/6	Inventory, Part 2, pages 201-254 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials

**Subseries 2: Typescript carbons, 1923-1929**

BOX-FOLDER 17/7	Song texts 1-99 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 17/8	Song texts 100-199 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 17/9	Song texts 200-299 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
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BOX-FOLDER 19/2	Song texts 1600-1699 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
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**Series 1: Correspondence and song texts contributed to "Old Songs that Men Have Sung," *Adventure Magazine*, 1923-1929**

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BOX-FOLDER 19/5	Song texts 1900-1999 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 19/6	Song texts 2000-2099 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
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BOX-FOLDER 19/9	Song texts 2300-2399 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
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BOX-FOLDER 20/9	Song texts 3500-3599 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
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BOX-FOLDER 20/11	Song texts 3700-3799 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 21/1	Song texts 3800-3899 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 21/2	Song texts, unnumbered <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 21/3	Correspondents list <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials

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#### Subseries 1: California, circa 1920-1923

Approximately 150 songs and groups of texts collected by Robert Winslow Gordon while he lived in California between 1920 and 1923. The first songs correspond with cylinder recordings 1-131.

**BOX-FOLDER 21/4** Manuscripts 252-376, 409  
**Extent:** 1 folder of manuscript materials

#### Subseries 2: North Carolina, October-December 1925

Approximately 374 songs collected by Robert Winslow Gordon during a field trip to North Carolina between October and December 1925. Texts 1-298 correspond with cylinder recordings A1-A202.

**BOX-FOLDER 21/5** Original typescript, 1-130  
**Extent:** 1 folder of manuscript materials

**BOX-FOLDER 21/6** Original typescript, 131-260  
**Extent:** 1 folder of manuscript materials

**BOX-FOLDER 21/7** Original typescript, 261-389  
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**BOX-FOLDER 21/8** Original typescript, only recorded songs A1-A202  
**Extent:** 1 folder of manuscript materials

**BOX-FOLDER 21/9** NC 1-NC 82, Carbons, A1-A50  
**Extent:** 1 folder of manuscript materials

**BOX-FOLDER 21/10** NC 83-NC 144, Carbons, A51-A99  
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**BOX-FOLDER 21/11** NC 146-NC 224, Carbons, A100-A150  
**Extent:** 1 folder of manuscript materials

**BOX-FOLDER 21/12** NC 225-NC 298, Carbons, A151-A202  
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**BOX-FOLDER 21/13** NC 299- NC389, Carbons, A201?  
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#### Series 3: Song texts collected by others and acquired by Robert Winslow Gordon, 1922-1932

##### Subseries 1: J.P. Boyd manuscripts, 1926-1927

Approximately 125 songs collected by J.P. Boyd in Alliance, North Carolina between 1926 and 1927.

**BOX-FOLDER 22/1** Original typescript, 1-136  
**Extent:** 1 folder of manuscript materials

##### Subseries 2: R.M. Davids manuscripts, circa 1924

Approximately 33 songs collected by R.M. Davids in Woodmere, Florida, circa 1924. Given to Robert Winslow Gordon by Joanna Colcord in New York, New York in December 1929.

**BOX-FOLDER 22/2** Originals, with index, 1-38  
**Extent:** 1 folder of manuscript materials

**BOX-FOLDER 22/3** Typescript and carbons, 1-33  
**Extent:** 1 folder of manuscript materials

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#### Subseries 3: Robert Frothingham manuscripts, 1922-1923

Approximately 137 letters containing queries and songs for Robert Frothingham, editor of the "Old Songs that Men Have Sung" column of *Adventure Magazine*, 1922-1923 as well as correspondence to and from Frothingham while he was editor.

BOX-FOLDER 22/4	<i>Adventure Magazine</i> correspondence, A-H <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 22/5	<i>Adventure Magazine</i> correspondence, I-M <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 22/6	<i>Adventure Magazine</i> correspondence, N-S <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 22/7	<i>Adventure Magazine</i> correspondence, T-Z <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 22/8	Originals, 1-137 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 22/9	Typescript, 2-137 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 22/10	Carbons, 1-137 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials

#### Subseries 4: J.H. Hanford manuscripts, 1930

Approximately 8 songs collected by J.H. Hanford from Esther Stover in Cleveland, Ohio in January 1930. Stover learned the songs from her father in Iowa City, Iowa.

BOX-FOLDER 23/1	Originals, 1-8 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 23/2	Typescripts and carbons, 1-8 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials

#### Subseries 5: Mellinger Edward Henry manuscripts, 1928-1929

Approximately 61 southern Appalachian songs collected by Mellinger Edward Henry of Ridgewood, New Jersey in 1928-1929. Most texts and headnotes were subsequently published by Henry in the *Journal of American Folklore* and in *Folk-Songs from the Southern Highlands*.

BOX-FOLDER 23/3	Typescripts, 1-60 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 23/4	Carbons, 1-60 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials

#### Subseries 6: Guy B. Johnson manuscripts, circa 1929

Approximately 15 songs contributed by Guy B. Johnson of the University of North Carolina, circa 1929. Written down by Walter Jordon of New York, as he learned them in the American South in 1909.

BOX-FOLDER 23/5	Originals <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 23/6	Typescripts and carbons <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials

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**Subseries 7: Mary Newcomb manuscripts, 1929-1930**

Photostat manuscript entitled "Songs My Mother Sang," containing 210 texts and 101 tunes from New Hope, Kentucky, contributed by Mary Newcomb of Louisville, Kentucky from 1929-1930.

- BOX-FOLDER 23/7** Typescripts, 1-50  
**Extent:** 1 folder of manuscript materials
- BOX-FOLDER 23/8** Typescripts, 51-102  
**Extent:** 1 folder of manuscript materials

**Subseries 8: Howard W. Odum and J.D. Arthur manuscripts, 1929**

Approximately 83 songs contributed by Howard W. Odum of the University of North Carolina in July 1929. Obtained by Odum from J.D. Arthur of Tennessee.

- BOX-FOLDER 23/9** Typescripts, 1-83  
**Extent:** 1 folder of manuscript materials
- BOX-FOLDER 23/10** Typescript carbons, 1-83  
**Extent:** 1 folder of manuscript materials
- BOX-FOLDER 23/11** Carbons, 1-83  
**Extent:** 1 folder of manuscript materials

**Subseries 9: R.W. Phillips manuscripts, 1924**

Approximately 22 songs contributed by R.W. Phillips of Akeley, Minnesota in March 1924.

- BOX-FOLDER 23/12** Original notebook  
**Extent:** 1 folder of manuscript materials
- BOX-FOLDER 23/13** Typescripts, 1-22  
**Extent:** 1 folder of manuscript materials
- BOX-FOLDER 23/14** Carbons, 1-22  
**Extent:** 1 folder of manuscript materials

**Subseries 10: Betty Bush Winger manuscripts, 1931-1932**

Approximately 125 songs obtained from Betty Bush Winger of Point Pleasant, West Virginia, including traditional African American songs from Winger's home in the Ozark region of Missouri.

- BOX-FOLDER 24/1** Originals  
**Extent:** 1 folder of manuscript materials

**Series 4: "Inferno" collection, circa 1920-1928**

Bawdy songs taken from the *Adventure*, California, Georgia, and Davids manuscripts and indexed separately.

- BOX-FOLDER 24/2** California originals, 239-250, 348, 377-408, circa 1920-1923  
**Extent:** 1 folder of manuscript materials
- BOX-FOLDER 24/3** California typescripts, 239-250, 348, 377-408, circa 1920-1923  
**Extent:** 1 folder of manuscript materials
- BOX-FOLDER 24/4** R.M. Davids typescripts, 1924  
**Extent:** 1 folder of manuscript materials



## Series 4: "Inferno" collection, circa 1920-1928

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BOX-FOLDER 24/5	Georgia original and typescript, 560, circa 1926-1928 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 24/6	Originals, part 1 (through 1261), circa 1920-1923 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 24/7	Originals, part 2 (through 2471), circa 1920-1923 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 24/8	Originals, part 3 (through 2789), circa 1920-1923 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 24/9	Originals, part 4 (through 3918), circa 1920-1923 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 24/10	Typescripts, circa 1920-1923 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 24/11	Carbons, circa 1920-1923 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials

## Series 5: Published music, 1862-1932

Published music collected by Robert Winslow Gordon, many of these publications are inscribed to Gordon by the composer.

BOX-FOLDER 25/1	<i>Alphabetical Catalogue of Songs Contained in Delaney's Song Book</i> , undated <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 25/2	"The Ballad of Chevy Chase," undated <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 25/3	"Bayou Ballads," 1921 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 25/4	"Boquet of Comic Songs and Great Mikado" folio, 1885 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 25/5	"College Songs," 1887 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 25/6	"Contents of Trifet's Budget of Music," undated <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 25/7	<i>Delaney's Irish Song Book</i> , Nos. 1-4, undated <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 25/8	<i>Delaney's Recitations</i> , Nos. 1-3, undated <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 25/9	<i>Delaney's Recitations</i> , Nos. 4-6, undated <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 25/10	<i>Delaney's Recitations</i> , Nos. 7-9, undated <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 25/11	<i>Delaney's Recitations</i> , Nos. 10-11, undated <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 26/1	<i>Delaney's Scotch Song Book</i> , No. 1, undated <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 26/2	<i>Delaney's Song Book</i> , No. 1, April 1892 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 26/4	"Entertainment and Minstrel Folio," 1925 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials

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BOX-FOLDER 26/5	"Father of the Land We Love," 1931 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 26/6	W.C. Handy sheet music, 1919-1925 Includes: "Atlanta Blues," 1924; "Blind Man Blues," 1919; "The Chicago Gouge," 1924; "Deep River Blues," 1925; "Famous Comic Blues for the Ukulele," 1925; "The Gouge of Armour Avenue," 1924; "I'm Drinking from a Fountain That Never Runs Dry," 1925; "Joe Turner Blues," 1925; "John Henry Blues," 1922; "Harlem Blues," 1922; "Long Gone," 1920; "Loveless Love," 1921; "The Saint Louis Blues," 1924; "Stingaree Blues," 1924; "The Yellow Dog Blues," 1919. <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials Many of the pieces of sheet music are inscribed by W.C. Handy to Robert Winslow Gordon.
BOX-FOLDER 26/7	"Happy Land of Canaan," undated <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 26/8	"Harmonized Melodies No. 34," 1893 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 26/9	"Hawaiian Folio," 1924 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 26/10	<i>Howe's Eclectic School for the Flute</i> , 1872 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 26/11	"Jubilee and Plantation Songs," 1887 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 26/12	"Mary Earl's Song Book for the Kiddies," 1924 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 26/13	Miscellaneous song books and title pages, undated <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 26/14	"Molineaux Collection of Sacred Music for Male Voices," 1888 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 26/15	"Mountain Ballads," 1923 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER OS 1/1	"Musical Courier," 1932 <b>Extent:</b> 1 oversize manuscript
BOX-FOLDER 26/16	"Music from the Days of George Washington," 1931 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 26/17	"The Music for Wakefield: A Folk-Masque," 1932 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 26/19	"Novelty Blues Song Folio," 1923 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 26/20	"Our College Boys' Songs," 1887 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 26/21	"Over the Hill Songster," undated <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 26/22	"Poems and Songs of California," undated <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 26/23	"Popular Song Classics," undated <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 27/1	Sheet music, B-E, 1921-1925 Includes: "Bye and Bye," 1923; "Dear Heart of Mine," 1924; "Dear Old Southland," 1921; "De Clouds Are Gwine to Roll Away," 1924; "Don't Try to Cry Your Way Back to Me," 1925; "Down Hawaii Way," 1924.

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	<b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials Sheet music from various composers collected by Robert Winslow Gordon. Many of the pieces are inscribed by their composer to Gordon.
BOX-FOLDER 27/2	Sheet music, F-H, 1923-1925 Includes: "Frankie and Johnny (You'll Miss Me in the Days to Come)," 1923; "Golden Memories (of Hawaii)," 1925; "Hinky Dinky Parlay Voo?," 1924; "Honolulu Rose," 1924. <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 27/3	Sheet music, I-P, 1923-1925 Includes: "If I Knew, If Only I Knew," 1924; "It Looks Like Rain," 1924; "Just Alone with My Shattered Dreams," 1924; "Lightning Express," 1925; "My Dream Sweetheart," 1923; "Oh Peter (You're So Nice)," 1924; "The Prisoner's Song," 1924. <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 27/4	Sheet music, S-T, 1924-1925 Includes: "Swanee River Dreams," 1924; "Song Birds in Georgia," 1924; "Silver Sands of the Waikiki," 1925; "Stack O'Lee Blues," 1924; "Thunderstorm Blues," 1925. <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 27/5	Sheet music, U-Y, 1922-1925 Includes: "Unexpectedly," 1922; "Whistlin' the Blues Away," 1924; "When It's Love-Time in Hawaii," 1924; "Will You Remember (What I Can't Forget)," 1924; "What-cha-call-'em-Blues," 1925; "Will You Forget Me While I'm Away?," 1924; "Your Eyes," 1924. <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 27/6	"Singer's Journal," Vol. I, undated <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 27/7	"Singer's Journal," Vol. II, Nos. 68-100, undated <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 27/8	"Singer's Journal," Vol. II, Nos. 101-110, undated <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 27/9	"Singer's Journal," Vol. II, Nos. 111-120, undated <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 27/10	"Singer's Journal," Vol. II, Nos. 121-130, undated <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 27/11	"Singer's Journal," Vol. II, Nos. 131-140, undated <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 27/12	"Singer's Journal," Vol. II, Nos. 141-150, undated <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
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BOX-FOLDER 27/16	"Singer's Journal," Vol. II, Nos. 181-190, undated <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
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BOX-FOLDER 28/1	"Song Olio," 1883 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 28/2	"Songs for Harvard, Yale, and Princeton Students," 1885 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 28/3	"The Summer Evening Collection of Music," June 1894 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 28/4	Untitled music book fragment, circa 1886 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 28/5	"Vocal Folio Vol. II," undated <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 28/6	<i>Wehman Brothers Recitations</i> , Nos. 2, 4, 6, undated <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 28/7	"The Yankee," 1862 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials

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BOX-FOLDER 28/9	<i>Adventure Magazine</i> , 1923-1925 Vol. XLI, 1923. Vol. LV, No. 1, 1925. <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 29/1	<i>The American Magazine</i> , February 1930 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 29/2	<i>The American Mercury</i> , 1928-1930 October 1928 and May 1930 editions. <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 29/3	<i>Army List and Directory</i> , January 1, 1929 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 29/4	<i>Atlantic Monthly</i> , October 1931 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 29/5	Phillips Barry, reprints of articles, 1910-1911, 1928 "The Origin of Folk-Melodies," reprinted from <i>The Journal of American Folk-Lore</i> , Vol. 23, October-December, 1910. "Irish Folk-Song," reprinted from <i>The Journal of American Folk-Lore</i> , Vol. 24, No. 92, July-September 1911. "Fair Florella," reprinted from <i>American Speech</i> , Vol. 3, No. 6, August 1928. <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
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BOX-FOLDER 29/9	<i>Bulletin of the Folk-Song Society of the Northeast</i> , 1931 No. 2 and No. 3. <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
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BOX-FOLDER 29/11	<i>Canadian Folk Song and Handicraft Festival Program</i> , 1927-1928 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 29/12	Collier Cobb, "An American Man of Letters: George Horton, The Negro Poet," undated <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
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BOX-FOLDER 30/1	R.W. Coues, "Odd Terms in a Writer of Letters," <i>Dialect Notes</i> , Vol. VI, Part 1, 1928 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 30/2	Frances Densmore, reprints of articles, 1927-1928 "Some Results of the Study of American Indian Music," reprinted from <i>Journal of the Washington Academy of Sciences</i> , Vol. 18, No. 14, August 19, 1928. "The Study of Indian Music in the Nineteenth Century," reprinted from <i>The American Anthropologist</i> , January-March 1927. <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
BOX-FOLDER 30/3	<i>Dialect Notes</i> , 1929-1930 Vol. 5, Index and Vol. 6, Part II. <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
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BOX-FOLDER 30/11	<i>The Interpreter</i> , November 1932 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
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BOX-FOLDER 31/1	<i>Library of Congress Special Facilities and Regulations for Research</i> , 1928 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
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BOX-FOLDER 31/3	<i>Linguistic Society of America, Bulletin No. 7</i> , March 1931 <b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials
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"Songs and Ballads -- Grave and Gay," reprinted from Texas and Southwestern Lore, No. 6, 1927. "Some Texas Versions of 'The Frog's Courting': The Way of the Folk With a Song," reprinted from Publications of the Texas Folk-Lore Society, No. 5, 1926. "Recent Research in Balladry and Folk Songs," reprinted from Publications of the Texas Folk-Lore Society, Vol. 8, 1930.
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BOX-FOLDER 36/5	<p><b>Extent:</b> 1 folder of manuscript materials</p> <p>Malcolm W. Vaughan field notebook - "Old Southern Slave Songs," circa 1920s</p>

### Series 8: Card Catalog, undated

Index of songs in the Robert Winslow Gordon collection. This card catalog was created by Gordon at the end of his career at the Library of Congress.

BOX 38	<p>Song index, Aa - By</p> <p><b>Extent:</b> Approximately 876 cards</p>
BOX 39	<p>Song index, Ca - Dz</p> <p><b>Extent:</b> Approximately 985 cards</p>

## Series 8: Card Catalog, undated

Container	Contents
BOX 40	Song index, Ea - Haz <b>Extent:</b> Approximately 1,058 cards
BOX 41	Song index, Hea - Iwa <b>Extent:</b> Approximately 1,022 cards
BOX 42	Song index, Iwe - Ky <b>Extent:</b> Approximately 985 cards
BOX 43	Song index, La - Ne <b>Extent:</b> Approximately 1,022 cards
BOX 44	Song index, Ni - Pe <b>Extent:</b> Approximately 1,022 cards
BOX 45	Song index, Pf - So <b>Extent:</b> Approximately 1,058 cards
BOX 46	Song index, Sp - Wam <b>Extent:</b> Approximately 912 cards
BOX 47	Song index, Wan - Z <b>Extent:</b> Approximately 949 cards