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Collection Information

Abstract : Transcripts of musical programs from radio station WTAG in Worcester hosted by Morin from 1952 to 1960.

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Radio programs, Musical – Transcriptions. lsh

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WTAG (Radio Station)

Historical/Biographical Notes

Mr. Raymond Morin, son of Francis X. and Anna Morin, was the music critic for the Worcester Telegram and Gazette for over 35 years until he retired in 1975. He was a music commentator for radio station WTAG from 1952 to 1961 and was host of several WTAG talk shows as well. Mr. Morin was the head of the music department at Becker Junior College from 1941 to 1972 and served on the faculty of St. Gabriel School of Music teaching the piano privately from 1953 to 1956.

Mr. Morin graduated from Fitchburg High School in 1928 and studied at the New England Conservatory for Music, Boston, and Institute of Musical Arts and Juilliard School both in New York City. He then graduated from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, in 1932 and did graduate studies in Paris. Mr. Morin served in the Army Air Corps and was the author of *Worcester Music Festival: Its Background and History* and *William Billings*. He wrote numerous articles in the New York Herald Tribune, Philadelphia Inquirer and professional musical magazines.

Mr. Morin appeared in concerts and performed on the radio in the East Coast, Midwest, and Canada. He was piano soloist in 1942 with the Worcester Music Festival Orchestra. In the eyes of Robert C. Achorn, president and publisher of the Worcester Telegram and Gazette, Mr. Morin was “a delightful person and skilled musical historian”. Mr. Morin died on November 9, 1986 at the age of 75. He left behind a nephew and a niece.

Scope and Content

The collection consists of the transcripts of all the classical music programs Mr. Morin hosted on WTAG from 1952 to 1960. Transcripts consists of pieces played and Morin’s comments.

Series Descriptions

Series 1: Transcripts. This series includes 12 boxes, 303 folders of his radio programs. Each folder contains one week’s programs.

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Series 1, Transcripts

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	1-20	2001.52.1.1-.20	Radio programs 1-105 airing March 29, 1952 - November 30, 1952.
2	21-45	2001.52.1.21-.45	Radio programs 107-248 airing December 2, 1952- May 24, 1953.
3	46-70	2001.52.1.46-.70	Radio programs 244-391 airing May 25, 1953- November 27, 1953.
4	71-100	2001.52.1.71-.100	Radio programs 392-567 airing November 29, 1953- June 25, 1954.
5	101-127	2001.52.1.101-.127	Radio programs 568-1474 airing June 27, 1954- February 16, 1957. (missing almost 1 ½ years)
6	128-150	2001.52.1.128-.150	Radio programs 1475-1632 airing February 17, 1957- July 27, 1957.
7	151-175	2001.52.1.151-.175	Radio programs 1633-1812 airing July 28, 1957- January 25, 1958.
8	176-200	2001.52.1.176-.200	Radio programs 1813-1982 airing January 26, 1958- August 2, 1958.
9	201-225	2001.52.1.201-.225	Radio programs 1983-2139 airing August 3, 1958- January 23, 1959.
10	226-250	2001.52.1.226-.250	Radio programs 2140-2290 airing January 25, 1959- July 17, 1959.
11	251-275	2001.52.1.251-.275	Radio programs 2291-2457 airing July 19, 1959- January 1, 1960
12	276-303	2001.52.1.276-.303	Radio programs 2458-2646 airing January 3, 1960- July 29, 1960.