Gladys Fogg Benedict, 1881-1930

Scrapbook
1923 -1930

1 box, .25 linear feet

Biography:

Gladys Perkins Fogg Benedict (1881-1930) was born in Newton, Massachusetts and, by the age of 5, was noted for her voice. She lost her sight at age 15, but continued her musical training under the tenor, Wilhelm Heinrich (also sightless) and became a lyric soprano. Her family's summer home was at Scragglewood, near Loudon, and upon adulthood both Gladys and her brother, Lt. Robert S. Fogg, an aviator, became residents of Concord. She married Milo E. Benedict, another musician and her pianist, and , because her disability did not allow her to go overseas, she (concert) toured in trio with her husband and his niece, Pauline Remick, throughout the northeast during World War I. Knowlegible of 4 languages, Ms. Benedict sang with other famous singers of her period, including Mmes. Melba and Sembrich and with Signor Bonci. She died, after a brief illness, at the home of her brother-in-law, Charles G. Remick, in 1930 and was buried in Tilton.

Scope and Content:

This collection contains mostly letters written to Miriam Loring, Belmont and Melrose, MA, from Gladys Perkins Fogg Benedict covering the period from 1923 though Mrs. Benedict's death in 1930. Some cards (greeting and post cards) are included in this collection as well as a few snapshots and news paper clippings. Occasionally, concert or recital programs are included, as well.
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Music -- vocal -- tenor
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Church Music -- Choirs
Concord Music Club

Valse Impromptu, Moszkowski
Gounod, "There is a Green Hill Far Away"
Mendelssohn, Fantasie op. 28
Wolff exercises (piano)
Tchaikowsky B flat minor, played by Mark Hambourg
Paderewski, No. 6633 Orthophonic Recording, Reflections in the Water, Debussy
"Little Pishna" by B. Wolff, piano keyboard exercise
"Progressive Series" edited by Godowsky, piano fingering exercises
Wagner's Parsifal

Matthew Arnold, essay, "Culture and Anarchy"
The Christ of the Indian Road (book title)
Lonely Americans, by Rollo Walter Brown, Yale

New York Symphony
Blee "Israel" Symphony
Walker Lectures, American Expedition in Central Asia, dinosaur excavation
Caruso, tenor
Western Brockway, singer
Atwater Kent Hour (radio show competition)
Tilton Broadcasting Station
WBRL radio
bird watching
aviation -- flight from Concord to NY
Persons:

Gladys Perkins Fogg Benedict, 2 Park Ridge, Concord, NH (Maggie Bendix)
  Lt. Robert S. Fogg, brother, aviator (Robbie)
  Dense, son of Robert Fogg
Milo E. Benedict, husband, musician/pianist (Mke, Mike)
  Will Benedict, Milo's brother
  Charles G. Remick, brother-in-law of Milo E. Benedict
  Pauline Remick, niece of Milo E. Benedict, musician
  Miss Fanchon Remick, sister of [Charles G.] Remick, to marry Fred Sperry, uncle to Dean Sperry, Reading, MA

Loring family/relations
  Miriam Loring
  Nora Loring
  Mrs. Ameial Loring
  Kenneth, neighbor? of Nora/Miriam, married to Hazel, from Vergennes
  Miss Elizabeth Loring
  William Hachenberg Loring
  Miss Edith Newmanfor
  John [Loring], uncle of Miriam
  Ms. Belotti, musician, friend of Nora's, Concord

Albert Einstein, 1879-1955
Briggs, [Le Baron Russell], article in the New Republic
Will Rogers, 1879-1935
Charles Lindbergh, 1902-1974
Dr. Tehyi Hsieh (pronounced Shear He), lecturer,
  K. Skeyhill, English lecturer, playwright
Mussolini, Benito, 1883-1945

Musicians
  Wilhelm Heinrich, tenor, music instructor (teacher to Gladys Perkins Fogg)
  Mme. Marcella Sembrick, American soprano, 1858-1935
  Dame Nellie Melba (Mrs. Helen Mitchell Armstrong), 1861--1931
  Mme. Louise Beatty Homer, American contralto, [1871]-1947
  Signor Bonci
  Roland Hayes, musician/singer
  Schipa, musician
  Lillian Nordica, American operatic soprano, 1859-1914
  Percy Aldridge Grainger, American composer and pianist, 1882-1961
  Ary Dufier, Dutch violinist
  Louis Graveure, baritone
Fickett (family), Concord
Rev. O. W. Peterson, Penacook (Pete, P'te, Peete)
  Miss Alma Peterson, daughter of O. W.
  Hilda Peterson
Rev. Stearns, Concord
Mr. Akerman, minister
Herb, choir director, Penacook

Prof. Thompson, Middlebury College, parsonage, West Concord
  Miss Thompson, Rochester, NY
  Mrs. E. B. Thompson
  Mrs. Willis D. Thompson, pianist
Ayer (grandpa and grandma), Warner
  Mrs. Katherine Ayer
  Mr. Perley Ayer, singer
Mrs. Gladys B. Dolloff, pianist
Mrs. Ruth M. May, pianist
Miss Irene Barnes
Harry G. Rolfe and Josephine J. Rolfe, Concord
Mr. Harry C. Whittemore, organist
Geographic Locations:

New Hampshire:
  Alton Bay
  Andover
  East Andover
  Center Barnstead
  Concord
  Concord -- St. Paul's
  Concord -- Capitol Theatre
  East Concord
  North Concord
  West Concord
  Durham -- New Hampshire State University
  Durham -- Universityof New Hampshire
  Franklin
  Mt. Kearsarge
  Laconia -- Laconia Tavern
  Loudon -- Scragglewood
  Manchester
  New Hampton
  New London
  Newfound Lake
  North Sutton
  Penacook
  Pittsfield
  Salem -- Women's Club
  Sanbornton Heights
  Sandwich
  Sunapee
  Tilton
  Waterloo
  Waterville
  Wiers
  Winchester
  Lake Winnipesaukee
Massachusetts:
- Amherst -- Massachusetts Agricultural College -- Bowker Auditorium
- Amherst -- University of Massachusetts
- Belmont
- Boston -- Symphony Hall
- Boston -- Boston University
- Cambridge -- Harvard College
- Cambridge -- Radcliffe College
- Melrose
- Newton
- Reading

New York:
- Albany, NY
- Brooklyn
- Buffalo, NY
- Coney Island
- Glens Falls
- Lake George -- Prospect Mountain
- New York (city)

Other:
- Amsden Camp
- Canada
- Cornwall -- Snake Mountain
- Cleveland
- Grace Church
- Kings Chapel
- Philadelphia
- Washington, D.C.

Maine:
- Readfield

Vermont:
- Rutland
- Burlington
- Newport
- Vergennes

Connecticut:
- Lyme -- Olde Lyme
- Stamford