

A GUIDE TO THE JULIETTE LANGE MANUSCRIPT COLLECTION

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Descriptive Summary

Provenance:	The Juliette Lange Manuscript Collection was left to the Fort Lauderdale Historical Society by Juliette Lange in 1977.
Title:	Juliette Lange Manuscript Collection
Dates:	1906-1977
Abstract:	Records of Juliette Lange's career as a vocalist, and her later life in Fort Lauderdale.
Extent:	One half container
Accession:	1977.0023

Biographical/Historical Note

Juliette A. Lange (1882-1977) was a socially prominent Fort Lauderdaleian with a lauded career as a star vocalist of musical comedy. Born in Iowa to European immigrants with musical backgrounds, Miss Lange studied performance with prominent vocal instructors in Chicago and New York City. Her singing talents were recognized early, which led to professional work in concert, theater, and radio. During the apex of her career (1915-1930), Miss Lange traveled the nation and Europe with theater companies performing popular musicals. The Lange family relocated to Fort Lauderdale in 1914, where Juliette would eventually retire to care for her ailing father. As a longtime resident of the Rio Vista community, Miss Lange was active in many civic, religious, social, and musical organizations. A lasting legacy of her family is Lange Park in the city of Davie: former grove land contributed by Miss Lange three years prior to her passing.

Scope and Content

The Juliette Lange Manuscript Collection includes correspondence, newspaper clippings, performance programs, tickets, music magazines, a 1957 tax return, receipts, membership cards, and invitations. The materials date from the early-1900s to 1977. The collection also contains information about the following relatives of Miss Lange: mother, Ida G.; father, John C., early Broward citrus grower; brother, Julius C., veteran of the Spanish-American War and vice commander of the Lauderdale VFW; sister, Zenia (Mrs. Charles T. Link); and cousin, Estelle Manville, notable for her marriage to Count Folke Bernadotte of Sweden in 1928. Researchers will find content relevant to early 20th century musical theater, the artist scene in New York City and Broadway, the Rio Vista neighborhood and rental property, citrus farming and marketing, *Melaleuca* (aka "malaleuca") and Fort Lauderdale's mid-century social and civic happenings.

Access or Use Restrictions

Access

Collection is **open for research**.

Please contact collections@fortlauderdalehistorycenter.org to schedule an appointment.

Related or Separated Material

Photographs and many three-dimensional objects

History Files: Biography L Lange, Juliette and Lange family (John C. and Ida; Julius C. Lange)

Administrative Information

Preferred Citation

Juliette Lange Manuscript Collection, Fort Lauderdale Historical Society

Acquisition Information

Materials donated by Juliette Lange, 1977

Contents List

Folder: Misc. clippings 1927, 1932-1939, 1941-1942, 1946-1947, 1958, 1966

Folder: Misc. programs, etc. 1916, 1918-1919, 1923, 1944-1947, 1951-1953, 1957-1958, 1960-1963, 1965-1967

Folder: Career and performance 1906-1908, 1912-1913, 1919, 1927-1930, 1968

Folder: Misc. correspondence 1924, 1926-1927, 1942, 1945-1946, 1956, 1958, 1968

Folder: Misc. receipts 1942, 1948-1949, 1950-1951, 1956-1959, 1968-1969

Folder: House in Rio Vista 1946, 1948, 1950-1953, 1958-1960

Folder: Ida and John C. Lange 1922, 1932, 1935, 1944, 1948

Folder: Julius C. Lange 1927, 1931, 1937

Folder: Marriage of cousin Estelle Manville to Count Bernadotte of Sweden 1928-1929