Descriptive Summary

Title: William "Buster" Collier Jr. papers

Date (inclusive): 1909-1992

Date (bulk): 1916-1934

Collection number: 151

Creator: Collier, William "Buster", Jr.

Extent: 1.3 linear feet of papers. 1.5 linear feet of photographs.

Repository: Margaret Herrick Library. Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences.

Languages: English

Access

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Biography

William "Buster" Collier Jr. was an American actor, producer, and agent. He appeared on stage as early as 1909, and in 1916 Collier acted in his first film as the juvenile lead. Over the next two decades he appeared in more than 80 films and became one of the leading romantic actors of the 1920s. Collier married Marie Stevens, a featured performer in the Ziegfeld Follies, in 1934 and retired from acting. Moving to England in 1937, he worked at the Teddington studios of Warner Bros. and with the Rank Organization. Back in the United States in the 1950s, he was a television producer. Collier worked sporadically as an agent.

Collection Scope and Content Summary

The William "Buster" Collier Jr. papers span the years 1909-1992 (bulk 1916-1934) and encompass 2.8 linear feet. The collection contains clippings, correspondence, legal agreements, scrapbooks, and photographs. The photograph series consists of biography and subject photographs.

Arrangement


Indexing Terms

actors
agents
producers