Descriptive Summary
Title: Ferdinand Horvath collection compiled by John Canemaker
Date (inclusive): circa 1920-1939
Collection number: 432
Creator: Canemaker, John
Extent: 1 linear feet of papers.
Repository: Margaret Herrick Library. Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences.
Languages: English
Access
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Acquisition Information
Gift of John Canemaker, 1998
Biography
Ferdinand Huszti Horvath was a Hungarian-born sketch artist active in film from the 1920s to early 1940s. Born Nandor Mahaly Lowenstein in Budapest, his father changed the family’s surname to Horvath in 1902. Ferdinand arrived in New York in 1921 and became a U.S. citizen in 1927. He found work as an illustrator for books, magazines, and ads and worked at Paul Terry’s studio on the Aesop’s Film Fables cartoon series. During the Depression he sought employment in Hollywood. From 1933 to 1937 he worked for Walt Disney as a sketch artist specializing in conceptual artwork for animated films. Animator and historian John Canemaker apparently obtained the material while researching his book, "Before the Animation Begins: The Art and Lives of Disney Inspirational Sketch Artists."
Collection Scope and Content Summary
The Ferdinand Horvath collection compiled by John Canemaker spans the years circa 1920-1939 and encompasses less than one linear foot. There are clippings, correspondence, notebooks, a scrapbook, miscellaneous material, including fictional writings by Horvath, and photographs. The material is in English, Hungarian, German, and Russian.
Arrangement
Arranged in the following series: Not arranged in series.
Indexing Terms
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storyboard artists