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MS 1051
Corridos Mexicanos, 1910s-1930s

DESCRIPTION

This collection consists of six flyers with corridos (Mexican narrative folk songs) printed on them, dating from the 1910s to the 1930s, plus one newspaper clipping related to the subject of one of the corridos.

1 box, .5 linear ft.

ACQUISITION

These corridos were part of a collection of materials that were purchased in February of 1987 from the American Eagle Brokerage, in Tucson, belonging to the Nora Loerpabel estate.

ACCESS

Photocopies only are available for patron use, and can be found in MS 1051 location. (The originals are housed in the rare cage, case 4, drawer 3, and can be viewed only by appointment with the archivist.)

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PROCESSING

This collection was processed in June, 1993 by Head Archivist, Adelaide Elm.

SCOPE AND CONTENT

Corridos are traditional Mexican narrative folk songs, especially those of epic themes, taking the name from "correr," which means "to run" or "to flow." They tell a story simply and swiftly, without embellishments. (Sonnichesen in "With his Pistol in His Hand," by Americo Paredes).

People composed ballads about popular heroes and events, sang them at gatherings, and they were sometimes printed as flyers and sold. The corrido form was popular in Mexico from the 1830s through the 1930s, particularly in the Mexican-American border regions.

The six corridos in this collection pertain primarily to the period and subjects of the Revolution, ca. 1910-1930. They were purchased in February, 1987 in a group of historical books, artifacts, and papers, from the American Eagle Brokerage in Tucson. They were part of the Nora Loerpabel estate.

BOX AND FOLDER LISTING

Box 1

f.1 Six corridos and one newspaper clipping:

"Corrido del Agrarista"

"'Ola' Exito de los Trovadores Tamaulipecos"

"Corrido de la Tragedia del Fusilamiento del Gral. Argumedo"

"La Muerte de Fco Villa, 2a. Parte"

"Ultimos detalles del Jurado de Leon Toral"

"Mananitas del General Saturnino Cedillo"

Newspaper clipping from the San Francisco Call-Bulletin, January 12, 1939
about the death of General Saturnino Cedillo