ANNA J. STROHMAN GOSPEL SONGBOOK COLLECTION

Creator:
Anna J. Strohman (1901-1989)

Type of Material:
Gospel songbooks, sheet music

Physical Description:
65 printed volumes
3 sheet music

Dates:
1911-1966

Language:
English

Abstract (Descriptive Summary):
This collection documents one aspect of the life of music teacher Anna J. Strohman between the years 1911 and 1966. Materials include gospel songbooks and printed sheet music.

Provenance and Acquisition Information:
This group of gospel songbooks and other materials was donated to the Center by Charles Allen, Nashville TN, September 1990.

Subject/Index Terms:
Songbooks
Music teachers
African Americana gospel music
African American music publishing

Agency History/Biographical Sketch:
Anna J. Strohman was born June 30, 1901 and was a resident of Buechel and Louisville Kentucky. Strohman died September 2, 1989.
Scope and Content:
Collection of gospel music songbooks and books used for music teaching and study, some of which bear address stamps of Anna J. Strohman of Buechel and Louisville Kentucky. It is not clear whether all of the materials belonged to Mrs. Strohman.

Included are 37 gospel songbooks by African-American publishers (SP-001310-001351), primarily based in Chicago IL, and a gospel songbook of spirituals published by Rodeheaver, Hall-Mack (SP-001350). These are listed by publisher and title on the following pages.

Also included are gospel songbooks published by John T. Benson (SP-001300-001304, SP-001306-001308), Albert E. Brumley (SP-0001296), Fleming H. Revell (SP-001298), Lillenas Publishing (SP-001299), Stamps-Baxter (SP-001289), the Baptist Young People's Union (SP-001297), and the Pentecostal Union (SP-001295); a gospel songbook (SP-001296) and 3 pieces of sheet music by Dallas Turner, "America's Cowboy Evangelist"; 6 books used for music teaching and study including Zordan's Piano Accordion Junior Method published by Antonio Zordan; and sheet music for "Someone to Care".

Collection Contents
African-American gospel songbooks, arranged by publisher:

Anderson and Frye Publishers, Inc.:
The Congress of Hymns and Gospel Song Book (SP-001351)

Bowles Music House:
Bowles Church Hymnals (SP-001310)
Bowles Star Poem Book No. 3 (SP-001311) (includes Our Scrapbook SP-001312) compiled by Virgil O. Stamps and J.I. Ayers, printed by Stamps-Baxter Music)
Bowles Book of Poems (SP-001313)
Bowles Favorite Gospel and Spiritual Melodies No. 3 (SP-001314)
Bowles & Frye Favorite Gospel Power No. 7 (SP-001315)
Bowles Favorite Gospel Songs of Joy No. 8 (SP-001316)
Bowles Favorite Jubilee Spiritual No. 11 (SP-001317)
Bowles Favorite Gospel Jewels No. 13 (SP-001318)
Bowles Favorite Gospel Tidings No. 14 (SP-001319)
Bowles Favorite Gospel Songs of Glory No. 15 (SP-001320)
Bowles Favorite President Horace Special Song Book No. 18 (SP-001321)
Bowles Favorite Songs of Triumph No. 23 (SP-001322)
Bowles Favorite Convention Song Book No. 24 (SP-001323)
Bowles Favorite Convention Herald No. 26 (SP-001324)
Thomas A. Dorsey, Publisher:
   Dorsey's Songs With A Message No. 1 (SP-001325)
   Dorsey's Songs of the Kingdom (SP-001326)

Theodore R. Frye:
   Superior Song Book (Lucie E. Campbell) (SP-001327)
   President Jemison Special Song Book No. 1 (SP-001328)
   President Jemison Special Song Book No. 2 (SP-001329)
   Frye's Echoes of the Baptist Music Convention No. 1 (SP-001330)
   Frye's Echoes of the Baptist Music Convention No. 3 (SP-001331)
   Frye's Echoes of the Baptist Music Convention No. 4 (SP-001332)
   Frye's Echoes of the Baptist Music Convention No. 7 (SP-001333)
   Frye's Echoes of the Baptist Music Convention No. 9 (SP-001334)
   Frye's Echoes of the Baptist Music Convention No. 12 (SP-001335)

Roberta Martin Studio of Music:
   Songs of the Roberta Martin Singers Volume No.1 (SP-001336)
   Songs of the Roberta Martin Singers Volume No. 2 (SP-001337)
   Songs of the Roberta Martin Singers Volume No. 3 (SP-001338)

Martin Studio of Gospel Music:
   National Gospel Hymnal (SP-001339)

Martin and Morris Music Studio:
   Martin and Morris Gospel Beams No. 5 (SP-001340)
   Martin and Morris Gospelodiums No. 13 (SP-001341)
   Martin and Morris Special Songs of the Pilgrim Travelers No. 16 (SP-001342)
   Pilgrim Travelers Special No. 18 (SP-001343)
   Soul Stirrers No. 19 (SP-001344)
   Gospel Songbook of the Singing "Caravans" No. 23 (SP-001345)
   Soul Stirrers No. 24 (SP-001346)
   All Star Gospel Song Book No. 30 (SP-001347)

Ward's House of Music:
   The Brewster Book (SP-001348)
   Special Songs of Clara Ward and the Famous Ward Singers,
      Volume No. 3 (SP-001349)

Rodeheaver, Hall-Mack Company:
   Plantation Melodies (SP-001350)[Photocopy filed with scores]

Sheet Music
   Heaven’s Gonna be my Home  001004-CPMSM
   My Wife and Our Baby       001005-CPMSM
   Old Mourner’s Bench         001006-CPMSM
**Materials Cataloged Separately:**
All materials from this collection have been cataloged separately, see catalog numbers listed for each item that is searchable in the Center’s catalog.

**Arrangement:**
The original order has not been maintained; materials have been processed according to the Center for Popular Music’s cataloging procedures. The items in this collection are individually catalogued in the Center’s catalog.

**Location:**
All of the gospel songbooks listed above are filed in the gospel songbook series within the special collection scores; location numbers are given above or on the title list which follows. Other books received with this collection were transferred to the librarian. The sheet music is filed in the Center for Popular Music-Small collection.

**Related Materials:**
The Center holds a number of other gospel songbooks by the publishers listed. All songbooks are searchable by accession number or title in the Center’s catalog.

**Finding aid by:**
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