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Collection Summary

Repository:	Archives and Special Collections Library, Vassar College Libraries
Creator:	Ballintine, Harriet Isabel, 1865-1951
Title:	Harriet Isabel Ballintine Papers
Dates:	1881-1916
Quantity:	0.5 cubic feet (1 box)
Abstract:	Papers pertaining to her interest in folk dances and singing games including her arrangements of music scores for dances, a notebook containing descriptions of folk dances and a glossary to dance positions, and sheet music and dance instructions she used in classes, 1881-1916, including works by Elizabeth Burchenal and Louis H. Chalif.

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Biographical Note

A pioneer in the field of physical education for women, Harriet Ballintine was born 23 December 1864 in LeRoy, NY near Rochester. She graduated Ingham University in LeRoy in 1888, attended the first class in athletics for women at Harvard's summer school in 1889, studied in Europe, and graduated from the Sargent School of Physical training in Cambridge, MA. She taught at Ingham University and Lasell Seminary prior to coming to Vassar in 1891 as Director of the Gymnasium. Upon the formation of the Physical Training department in 1913, she was made assistant professor. At the same time the department was renamed Physical Education in

1919, Ballintine was made an assistant professor, which was her rank until her retirement in 1930. She died after a brief illness on 10 February 1951 at age 86. For more information, see the Faculty Biographical Files, VC Department of Archives and Special Collections

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Subject Headings

Names:

- Burchenal, Elizabeth, 1877-
- Chalif, Louis Harvey, 1877-

Organizations:

- Vassar College--Faculty

Subjects:

- Folkdancing
- Physical education for women
- Singing games
- Women college teachers

Document Types:

- Scores (documents for music)
- Sheet music

VCL Categories

- Music
- Vassar College

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Encoding Information

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