## Morehead State University Special Collections & Archives Manuscript Accession Form

Collection Title: Mallie Cody Turner Collection

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**Date Span:** 1887 - 1955

Size of Collection: 1 linear foot.

Number of Boxes: 2 letter size document cases

Type of Material: Newspaper clippings, correspondence, photographs, financial records

**Condition of Material:** Good to fair. Materials vary in degree of foxing, but the overall scope is legible.

Arrangement: Chronological arrangement and format

## **Biographical / Historical Information:**

Mallie Cody Turner, born in 1900 in Irishman's Creek of Knott County, Kentucky, was the oldest child of Mr. and Mrs. John Kendrick Cody's ten children. She attended the St. Nicholas School on Carr Creek, Kentucky as a student where she was selectively transferred for her intellectual abilities to go to Science Hill in Shelbyville, Kentucky. After completing school, she pursued higher education at the University of Virginia and the University of Kentucky where she graduated in 1932 with a Bachelor's of Science in Home Economics at the age of 32.

In 1936, Mallie Cody met L.C. Turner whom she later married while working on a W.P.A. writer's project in London, Ky. Three years later, in 1940, she had her first and only child, Tommy Turner, two weeks before she turned 40. Mallie Cody Turner was best known as a singer of ballads and teacher of children.

**Scope and Content:** Collection consists of personal correspondences, photographs of Mallie Cody Turner and her family, newspaper clippings of the time including important events and the death of her husband, scrapbooks, memorabilia, and financial information.

## Subject Headings / Descriptors:

Kentucky -- History, Local. Knott County (Ky.) -- History Turner, Mallie Cody, 1900-Turner, L.C. -- 1903-1959 -- Correspondence Teaching. Women Teachers -- Kentucky -- Biography

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