The Joseph Burstyn Collection

Burstyn, Joseph. 1901-1953. born Sokoly, Poland. Came to the United States in 1921. Worked in the Yiddish theater; began importing films in the early 1930's and partnered with Arthur Mayer in 1936. Died on a Paris-bound TWA flight on November 29, 1953. biographical information from Variety obituary, December 2, 1953.

Source: the date of acquisition is not recorded, although it would appear that it came to the Museum sometime in the mid-1970's. Burstyn had maintained friendly relations with The Museum of Modern Art Film Library during the years he ran his film importing business out of New York City; there is correspondence from Film Library director Richard Griffith in this collection. The donation most likely came from surviving family members.

It appears that parts of this collection may have been incorporated into the Film Study Center general clipping files, in particular press material relating to the US release of French and Italian films of the 1930's. No correspondence or business documents would have been added to these general files.

Catalog: see attached pages for document descriptions. Note that "scripts" have been added to the Film Study Center Script Collection.

Storage inventory: this is a list of files, scrapbooks and miscellany with storage locations. The Collection is stored in 2 gray archive boxes, one tan, flat storage box and in the scrapbook storage area of the paper storage room in Hamlin, PA.

Ron Magliozzi October, 1998

A: Boxes

Box: BUR.1

file BUR.01 User file file BUR.02 De Sica Vittorio. periodicals, misc. See also below under Box Oversize #79 file BUR.03 A Nous la Liberte, 1931. licenses/copyright US file BUR.04 A Nous la Liberte, 1931. press, foreign file BUR.05 A Nous la Liberte, 1931. press, US file BUR.06 Hymn of the Nation (Toscannini), 1944. pressbook file BUR.07 Ladri di Biciclette, 1948. press booklet file BUR.08 The Little Fugitive, 1953. licenses file BUR.09 Miracolo a Milano, 1950. correspondence re: promotion for US release file BUR.10 Miracolo a Milano, 1950. press releases file BUR.11 Miracolo a Milano, 1950. press releases, biography file BUR.12 Miracolo a Milano, 1950. ad mats file BUR.13 Miracolo a Milano, 1950, press releases, US file BUR.14 Miracolo a Milano, 1950. radio transcripts file BUR.15 Miracolo a Milano, 1950. reviews/press file BUR.16 Miracolo a Milano, 1950. scroll NY Film Critics Circle, copy file BUR.17 The Quiet One, 1949. press

file BUR.18 The Quiet One, 1949, pressbook

Box BUR.2 Il Miracolo, court documents regarding censorship of US release 1950-1952

file BUR.19 II Miracolo, 1948. court documents file BUR.20 II Miracolo, 1948. description of exhibits file BUR.21 II Miracolo, 1948. exhibits, Italian file BUR.22 II Miracolo, 1948. exhibits, US file BUR 23 II Miracolo, 1948. exhibits, US press clippings file BUR 24 II Miracolo, 1948. "The Miracle and the Supreme Court," 1960.

Box Oversize #79

file 79.1 three part article, Vittorio De Sica il Regista Piu Discusso" La Settimana Incom Illustrata #9 March 3, 1951; #10 March 10;#11 March 17, 1951.

B: Scrapbooks, advertising and press clippings

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Burstyn, Joseph to ?: Brief political analysis of French newspapers. lp.

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Burstyn, Joseph: Copies of Telegrams sent to exhibitors which refer to the presentation of the New York Critics Award to "Miracte in Milan" on the "Ed Sullivan Show." 26 copies.

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Neilson, Rutgers to Joseph Burstyn: re. "Miracle in Milan" publicity. lp.

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- Exhibit 1: Presidensadel Consiglio dei Minister, 30 Dec 1950 (photocopy); English translation by Mary Drago, notarized, 8 Jan 1951.

- Exhibit 2:Associazione Nazionale Industrie Cinematografiche Ed Affini Roma, 30 Dec 1950. (photocopy); English translation by Mary Drago notarized 8 Jan 1951.

- Exhibit 3: La Biennale di Venezia Mostra Internazionale D'Arte Cinematografica, 30 Dec 1950 (photocopy); English translation, 30 Dec 1950 (photocopy).

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- Exhibit 6: The Churchman, "Protestant Clergy Defend "The Miracle" 29 Jan 1951. 2p.
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- Exhibit 8: Schumacher, F.T. Columbia University 29 Jan: 1951. lp.
- Exhibit 9: DeWindt, H.G. West Park Presbyterian Church. 25 Jan 1951.
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- Exhibit 31: Kerr, H.T. Princeton Theological Seminary. 26 Jan 1951. 21
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- -Exhibit 71: Compass. "Censorship" 16 Jan 1951. lp. (6 copies)
- -Exhibit 78: "Calls 'Miracle' Ban Civil Rights Peril" lp. (6 copies)
- -Daily Mirror, "'Ways of Love' Unusual Trilogy'. 13 Dec 1950. lp. (5 copies)
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- -Bergen Record. "Censoring the Censors." 8 Jan 1951. 1p. (6 copies)
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