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Description
This collection contains material pertaining to the life, career, and activities of Henri Temianka, violin virtuoso, conductor, music teacher, and author. Materials include correspondence, concert programs and flyers, music scores, photographs, and books.

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June 11th 1986

Dear "Fsy" Temianka,

It was with great pleasure that I read in one of the Daily Papers that you are back in England and enjoying good health.

Do you remember when you were a young man about 27 years of age you came to Birkenhead to play as guest soloist at the Oster and Elington Orchestral Society. Tommy Gather and I was the conductor and his Splech, Tommy Gather and I became famous also.

My husband played the clarinet in the orchestra and several friends also. You came down with us and stayed overnight. I remember so clearly you fiddled with the wireless unit
you managed to get some orchestra music from the Continent. The following day you played on the floor with my baby son and I had two good times to be in a time once again - the first time during that war. you told me if you dreamt in the future it would not be to know that they have all come true.

Sad news: I lost a husband and two sons very tragically but I have a daughter who is married to the son of a Polish subject. His name is Tadek Konrad Wielgoszak. His father was in the Polish Army but the rest of his family was killed by the Germans - his parents in Warsaw and his brother in the Cavalry Regiment.

It is perhaps silly of me to write after all these years but I love you and wonder about you.

I hope you have a wonderful 50th Birthday - (I was nine in March 1938 -) I re-married 15 years ago and we are enjoying our old age together - we have known each other since we were children.

Good luck always. Sincerely, Eileen Hodgkinson (Carpenito)
June 11th 1986
(Merseyside)

Dear “Mr.” Temianka,

   It was with great pleasure that I read in one of the Daily Papers that you are now in England and enjoying good health.

   Do you remember when you were a young man about 27 years of age you came to Birkenhead to play as guest soloist at the Oxton and Claughton Orchestral Society. Timmy [illegible] was the conductor and his nephew, Tommy [illegible] has now become famous, also.

   My husband played the clarinet in the orchestra & several friends also. You came home with us and stayed overnight. I remember so clearly you “fiddled” with the wireless until
you managed to get some orchestral music from the [[illegible]]. The following day you played on the floor with my baby son + said how good it was to be in a home once again – the first time during that tour. You told me of your dreams for the future + it is wonderful to know that they have all come true.

Sadly – mine did not. I lost my husband and two sons very tragically but I have a daughter who is married to the son of a fine Polish parents- his name is Leszek Konrad Wielopolaki. His father was in the Polish [[illegible]] but the rest of his family were killed by the Germans – his parents in Warsaw – his brothers in the Cavalry Regiment.

It is perhaps silly of me to write after all these years but I have so often wondered about you.

I hope you have a wonderful 80th Birthday—(I have mine in March 1988-) I re-married 15 years ago & we are enjoying our old age together – we have known each other since we were children.

Good luck. Always. Sincerely Eileen Hodgkinson ([[Cartanter?]])
In 1933)