



## **Songs From an Ozarks Childhood Music Manuscript (SP0003)**

**Collection Number:** SP0003

**Collection Title:** Songs From an Ozarks Childhood Music Manuscript

**Dates:** 1924-1942

**Creator:** Jobe, Sybil Irene Shipley, 1924-2008

**Abstract:** The papers consist of the lyrics of Ozarks folk songs, as well as an audio recording of Sybil Irene (Shipley) Jobe (1924-2008) singing the songs.

**Collection Size:** .25 cubic foot  
(2 folders, 1 audio tape)

**Language:** Collection materials are in English.

**Repository:** The State Historical Society of Missouri

**Restrictions on Access:** Collection is open for research. This collection is available at [The State Historical Society of Missouri Research Center-Springfield](#). If you would like more information, please contact us at [springfield@shsmo.org](mailto:springfield@shsmo.org). Collections may be viewed at any research center.

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**Donor Information:** The papers were donated to the State Historical Society of Missouri by Suzanne Wilson on March 29, 2015 (Accession No. SPA0005).

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**Historical Note:**

Sybil Jobe was born June 11, 1924, to Dave and Orpha Shipley, in a log cabin in Douglas County, Missouri. In 1942, she married Herman Jobe, with whom she had three children. They were married sixty years, until his death in 2002. In 2004, she married Joseph Perrin. Sybil earned a bachelor's degree and a master's degree in education from Pittsburg State Teachers College. She taught in Joplin, first at Westview and then later at Irving School. She retired from teaching in 1984, and although she loved teaching, those who knew her say music was her passion. In the 1950s, she performed often on local television and hosted a weekly radio show. Until the 1990s, Sybil was involved in many musical programs highlighting Ozarks music. Sybil Jobe was also heavily involved in the Newton County Genealogy Society and was instrumental in the creation of the Newton County Historical Park. In addition, she authored and co-authored many books on the history and families of Newton County. She died May 7, 2008, at the age of 83.

**Arrangement:**

The collection has been arranged into two folders, song lyrics and the audio recording.

**Scope and Content Note:**

The collection consists of song lyrics to folk songs commonly performed during Sybil Jobe's childhood growing up in the Missouri Ozarks. Also included is a cassette recording of Sybil Jobe singing the songs.

**Container List:**

- f. 1                      Lyrics, no date
- f. 2                      Cassette Tape Audio Recording, no date

**Index:**

Index Term	Folder
Children's songs, English	1-2
Folk music	1-2
Folk songs, English--Ozark Mountains Region	1-2
Jobe, Sybil, 1924-2008	1-2
Ozark Mountains	1-2

