

SONGS FROM THE PASSING SHOW OF 1918

Act 1, Scene 3

“Squab Farm”

Music by: Sigmund Romberg

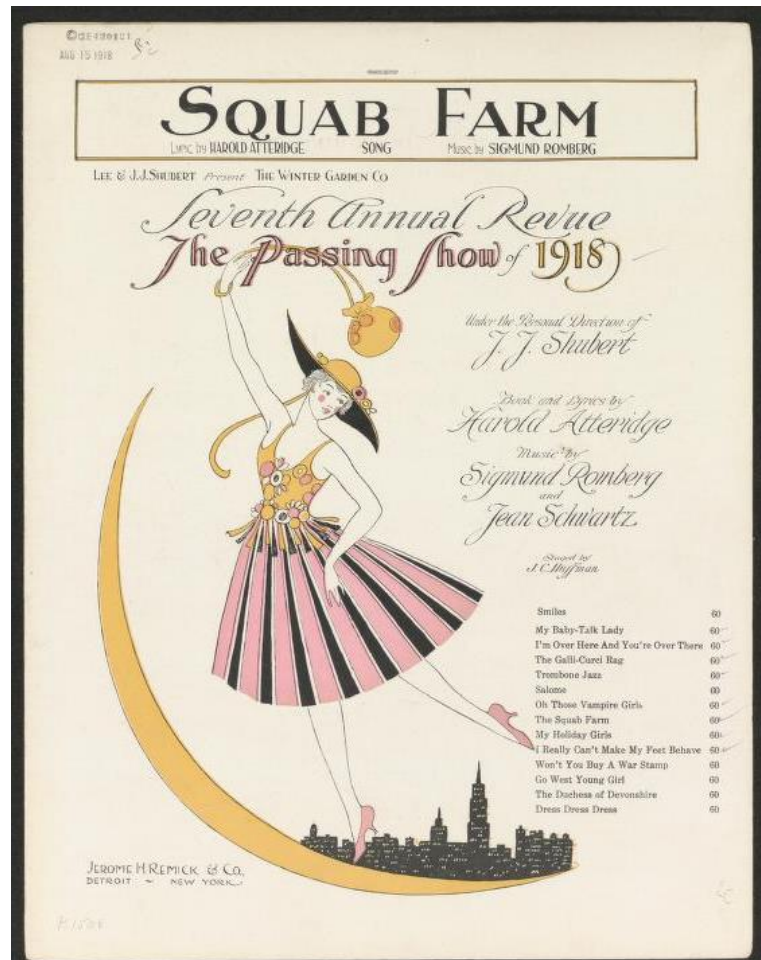
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In *The Passing Show of 1918*, the costume list prepared by E.R. Simmons mentions “16 little girls” to be made up to look like chicks for the song, “Squab Farm”, the first number where Fred Astaire was the featured performer... The costume can be seen on the cover of a flyer for the show (see Figure 4.2), with the girls wearing yellow feathers and blue shoes and stockings. [Westover, p. 91]