

Guide to The Southern Review Records

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Collection Overview

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TITLE: The Southern Review records

DATES: 1935-1943

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LANGUAGE: English

SUMMARY: The Southern Review records contain correspondence and other papers documenting activity at the influential literary journal from 1935 to 1943. Correspondence consists chiefly of original letters from authors and carbons of outgoing letters from the editors. Most incoming letters are addressed to the founding editors, Cleanth Brooks and Robert Penn Warren, but there are letters to others as well, including Albert Erskine, Robert Lowell, and Charles W. Pipkin. There is also some correspondence with literary agents, publishers, and others relating to or on behalf of authors and writings, including corrected drafts and proofs. Other materials include financial and legal records, unidentified writings, and a catalog of publications, including lists of unread and returned manuscripts.

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Key to the container abbreviations used in the PDF finding aid:

b. box

Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Gift of Cleanth Brooks and Robert Penn Warren, 1952.

Conditions Governing Access

The materials are open for research.

Conditions Governing Use

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Preferred Citation

The Southern Review Records. Yale Collection of American Literature, Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library.

Processing Information

This collection received a basic level of processing, including in some instances rehousing and minimal organization, when it arrived at the library. As a rule, descriptive information found in the Collection Contents section is drawn in large part from information supplied with the collection and from an initial survey of the contents. Folder titles appearing in the contents list below are often based on those provided by the creator or previous custodian. Titles have not been verified against the contents of the folders in all cases. Otherwise, folder titles are supplied by staff during initial processing.

Former call number: Za Southern Review.

Existence and Location of Copies

Portions of the collection available on microfilm.

Existence and Location of Copies

The entire collection is available in digital form.

Associated Materials

Cleanth Brook Papers (YCAL MSS 30). Yale Collection of American Literature, Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library.

Robert Penn Warren Papers (YCAL MSS 51). Yale Collection of American Literature, Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library

The Southern Review

The Southern Review is a literary journal published by Louisiana State University since 1935. The journal was co-founded by Robert Penn Warren and Cleanth Brooks and co-edited by Warren and Brooks until 1942.

Scope and Contents

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Arrangement

Organized into two series: I. Correspondence, 1935-1942. II. Other Papers, 1935-1943.

Collection Contents

Series I: Correspondence, 1935-1942

2.5 linear feet (6 boxes)

Series I. Correspondence consists chiefly of original letters from authors and carbons of outgoing letters from the editors. Most incoming letters are addressed to the founding editors, Cleanth Brooks and Robert Penn Warren, but there are letters to others as well, including Albert Erskine, Robert Lowell, and Charles W. Pipkin. There is also some correspondence with literary agents, publishers, and others relating to or on behalf of authors and writings, including corrected drafts and proofs.

Additional letter general files can be found at the end of the alphabetized run of files.

Arranged alphabetically by name.

b.1	"A" general	1935-1942
b.1	Abbe, George	1934-1941
b.1	Adams, W. G. S.	1937 May 7
b.1	Adler, Mortimer J.	1939-1941
b.1	Agar, Herbert	1935-1940
b.1	Agee, James	1935-1936
b.1	Algren, Nelson 3 Folders	1940-1942
b.1	Auden, W. H.	1939-1941
b.1	Ayres, C. E.	1936-1938
b.1	"B" general	1935-1942, undated
b.1	Baker, Howard	1935-1941
b.1	Barber, C. L.	1939
b.1	Barrett, William 2 Folders	1939-1942, undated
b.1	Barzun, Jacques	1939-1940
b.1	Beals, Carleton	1937
b.1	Beard, Charles A.	1937-1940, undated
b.1	Beatty, Richmond	1935, 1938
b.1	Belgion, Montgomery	1936-1938
b.1	Belitt, Ben 2 Folders	1940-1941

b.1	Bentley, Eric Russell	1941
b.1	Berryman, John	1937-1941
b.1	Bishop, John Peale	1935-1941
b.1	Blackmur, R. P.	1935-1942
b.1	Boone, Jack	1936-1939
b.1	Botkin, B. A.	1935-1938
b.1	Boyle, Kay	1935, 1939
b.1	Brinnin, John Malcolm	1940, 1942
b.1	Brinton, Crane	1935-1941
b.1	Bronson, Bertrand	1938-1939
b.1	Buchanan, Scott	1937-1938
b.1	Burke, Kenneth	1935-1941
b.2	"C-F" general	1936-1942, undated
b.2	Cahn, Harriet	1937-1938
b.2	Caldwell, Erskine	1935, 1941
b.2	Chiappe, Andrew	1939
b.2	Chilton, Eleanor	1935-1936
b.2	Clark, John Abbot	1936-1941
b.2	Codman, Florence	1938
b.2	Connolly, John ; Conley, John	1935-1938
b.2	Corry, Andrew	1935-1940
b.2	Couch, W. T.	1935-1942
b.2	Coulborn, Rushton	1941
b.2	Cowley, Malcolm	1935-1937
b.2	Craven, Avery	1938
b.2	Cummings, E. E.	1935
b.2	Dabbs, James McBride	1935-1938
b.2	Dabney, Virginius	1936
b.2	Daiches, David	1940, undated
b.2	Dannenbaum, Raymond	1935-1941

b. 2	Davidson, Donald	1934-1941
b. 2	Davis, H. L.	1936
b. 2	DeJong, David	1937-1941
b. 2	Devlin, Denis	1941-1942, undated
b. 2	Dewey, John	1936-1937
b. 2	Dobree, Bonamy	1935-1940, undated
b. 2	Dodd, W. E.	1938, undated
b. 2	Donahoe, Edward	1935-1939, undated
b. 2	Douglas, C. H.	1935 August
b. 2	Dupee, F. W.	1938-1940
b. 2	Eastman, Max <i>2 Folders</i>	1937-1940
b. 2	Eberhart, Richard G. <i>4 Folders</i>	1938-1942
b. 2	Eliot, T. S.	1935-1941
b. 2	Elliott, William Yandell	1935-1939
b. 2	Empson, William	1937-1940
b. 2	"F" general	1941-1942
b. 2	Farnham, Willard	1936, 1938
b. 2	Farrell, James T.	1937-1941
b. 2	Faulkner, William	1935
b. 2	Feibleman, James K.	1937-1941
b. 2	Fergusson, Francis	1939
b. 2	Ferril, Thomas	1935-1937
b. 2	Field, S. S.	1935-1937
b. 2	Fite, Mary Elizabeth	1936-1937
b. 2	Fitts, Dudley	1935, undated
b. 2	Fitzell, Lincoln	1935-1940, undated
b. 2	Fitzgerald, F. Scott	1935, undated

b. 2	Fitzgerald, William	1941
b. 3	Fletcher, John Gould	1935-1938
b. 3	Flexner, Abraham	1937
b. 3	Flint, F. Cudworth	1935-1942
b. 3	Flynn, John T.	1936-1938
b. 3	Ford, Charles Henri	1941
b. 3	Ford, Ford Maddox	1935-1939
b. 3	[Forgotson?], Shirley	1941-1942
b. 3	Foster, Charles Howell	1941 November 11
b. 3	Fowlie, Wallace <i>2 Folders</i>	1941
b. 3	Frank, Joseph	1941, undated
b. 3	Frankenberg, Lloyd <i>2 Folders</i>	1941-1942
b. 3	Friedrich, C. J.	1939
b. 3	Frierson, William C.	1937
b. 3	Fuchs, Daniel <i>2 Folders</i>	1941-1942
b. 3	"G-H" general	1935-1942
b. 3	Gair, Sidney	1941-1942
b. 3	Gibbs, Barbara	1935-1938
b. 3	Gilman, William	1939
b. 3	Godchaux, Elma	1935-1940
b. 3	Gooch, Robert Kent	1935, 1937
b. 3	Gordon, Caroline	1935-1939
b. 3	Gordon, Don	1939-1940
b. 3	Gregory, Horace	1935-1941
b. 3	Hacker, Louis	1935
b. 3	Haines, George <i>2 Folders</i>	1941-1942
b. 3	Hart, Liddell	1935-1936
b. 3	Hatfield, Henry	1941

b. 3	Healy, J. V.	1941-1942
b. 3	Heilman, Robert Bechtold	undated
b. 3	Herring, Harriet L.	1940
b. 3	Hinton, James <i>2 Folders</i>	1941-1942
b. 3	Hollis, Christopher	1937-1938
b. 3	Hook, Sidney <i>2 Folders</i>	1937-1940
b. 3	Hopkins, Joseph	1937-1939
b. 3	Horrell, Joe	1937-1941
b. 3	Horton, Philip	1936-1938
b. 3	Ingalls, Jeremy	1941 January 18
b. 3	"J-L" general	1935-1942
b. 3	Jarrell, Randall	1935-1940
b. 3	Johnson, Dean	1936-1938
b. 3	Josephson, Matthew	1938-1939
b. 4	Kees, Weldon	1940-1941
b. 4	Kelly, John J.	1939
b. 4	Kendrick, Benjamin	1935-1937
b. 4	Kirstein, Lincoln	1935, 1937
b. 4	Knights, L. C.	1938-1941
b. 4	Krey, Laura	1935-1939
b. 4	Lanier, Lyle	1937-1939
b. 4	Laski, Harold	1935 July 29
b. 4	Lattimore, Richmond <i>2 Folders</i>	1935-1939
b. 4	Leavis, F. R.	1935-1940
b. 4	Lerner, Max	1937-1941
b. 4	Levin, Harry	1938
b. 4	Lindley, Ernest	1937, 1939
b. 4	Lutz, Ralph	1937
b. 4	Lynes, Carlos	1940-1941

b. 4	Lytle, Andrew	1935-1941, undated
b. 4	"M-P" general	1940-1941
b. 4	McCarthy, Mary	1940-1941
b. 4	MacDonald, Dwight	1941-1942
b. 4	McGinnis, Allen	1935-1939
b. 4	MacIntyre, Carlyle <i>2 Folders</i>	1936-1942
b. 4	MacIver, Robert	1935-1939
b. 4	MacLeish, Archibald	1935
b. 4	MacNeice, Louis	1939 May 4
b. 4	Madison, Charles	1939-1940
b. 4	Mallan, Lloyd	1940-1941
b. 4	Mann, Thomas	1937, 1939
b. 4	Mathews, Jackson	1939-1941
b. 4	Matthiessen, F. O.	1936-1941
b. 4	Mendenhall, Marjorie	1937
b. 4	Meredith, William	1942
b. 4	Merriman, Roger	1937
b. 4	Merton, Thomas	undated
b. 4	Milburn, George	1935-1937
b. 4	Miles, Josephine	1937-1941
b. 4	Miller, Caroline	1935
b. 4	Millis, Walter	1939
b. 4	Millsbaugh, C. A.	1939-1941
b. 4	Mitchell, Braodus	1936
b. 4	Mizener, Arthur	1938-1941
b. 4	Monk, Samuel	1936-1941
b. 4	Moore, Harry Thornton	1938
b. 4	Moore, Marianne	1935, 1937
b. 4	Morley, Felix	1937

b. 4	Mortimer, J. de C.	1937-1938
b. 4	Moses, William	1935-1939
b. 4	Muller, Herbert J.	1938-1941
b. 4	Munson, Gorham	1935
b. 4	Nevins, Allan	1938
b. 4	Nicholson, Norman	1940-1942
b. 4	Nixon, H. C.	1935
b. 4	O'Donnell, George Marion <i>2 Folders</i>	1935-1940
b. 4	Ogburn, W. F.	1937
b. 4	O'Hara, John	1925 March 23
b. 4	Owsley, Frank	1935-1940
b. 5	Parkes, Henry B.	1936-1941, undated
b. 5	Parks, Edd	1937-1940
b. 5	Pasinetti, Pierre	1937-1940
b. 5	Person, W. T.	1937-1938
b. 5	Porter, Katherine Anne	1935-1942
b. 5	Praz, Mario	1936-1937
b. 5	Prokosch, Frederic	1938-1939
b. 5	Putnam, Howard Phelps	1935-1938
b. 5	Quigley, Harold	1936
b. 5	"R-S" general	1935-1942
b. 5	Radford, Manson	1936-1938, undated
b. 5	Rahv, Philip <i>2 Folders</i>	1937-1942
b. 5	Ramsdell, Charles W.	1939-1940
b. 5	Ransom, John Crowe	1935-1942, undated
b. 5	Read, Herbert	1935-1936
b. 5	Rexroth, Kenneth	1941, undated
b. 5	Richards, I. A.	1935-1941

b. 5	Riegel, O. W.	1935-1936
b. 5	Roberts, Michael	1938-1939
b. 5	Roellinger, Francis X. <i>2 Folders</i>	1941-1942
b. 5	Roelofs, Howard Dykema	1939-1941
b. 5	Rogers, Lindsay	1936-1940
b. 5	Rosenfeld, Paul <i>2 Folders</i>	1938-1939
b. 5	Rukeyser, Muriel	1939-1941
b. 5	Swan, Emma <i>2 Folders</i>	1940
b. 5	"T-V" general	1937, 1941
b. 5	Tate, Allen	1941-1942
b. 5	Tumin, Arthur <i>2 Folders</i>	1941-1942
b. 5	Unger, Leonard <i>3 Folders</i>	1941
b. 5	Warren, Robert Penn <i>4 Folders</i>	1941
b. 5	Watkins, Ann	1941-1942
b. 5	Wellek, Rene <i>2 Folders</i>	1941-1942
b. 5	Wilson, Edmund	1941-1942
b. 5	Wolfe, Thomas	1935
b. 5	Yeats, W. B.	1935-1937, undated
b. 5	Young, Marguerite <i>2 Folders</i>	1940-1941
b. 5	"W-Z" general	1940-1942
b. 6	"A-W" general <i>20 Folders</i>	[circa 1935-1942]
b. 6	"Agents letters to SR submitting MSS"	1940-1942

Series II: Other Papers, 1935-1943*0.42 linear feet (1 box)*

Series II. Other Papers contains financial and legal records, unidentified writings, a catalogue of publications, including lists of unread and returned manuscripts, and other papers.

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b.7	Budget data	1940-1941, undated
b.7	Business (general)	1941-1942, undated
b.7	Catalogue of MSS	[circa 1940-1942]
b.7	Copyright materials	1935-1942, undated
b.7	Data re. advertising	1940-1942, undated
b.7	Data re. bank departs	1940-1942, undated
b.7	Material relating to the demise of the Southern Review	1941-1942
b.7	Miscellaneous & unidentified mss	undated
b.7	Mss returned	[1936-1942?]
b.7	Petitions & letters regarding demise	1942
b.7	Press reviews (copied)	undated
b.7	Re. merger with Kenyon Review	1942-1943, undated

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

Preferred Titles

Southern review (Baton Rouge, La.)

Subjects

American literature -- 20th Century
American poetry -- 20th Century -- Periodicals
-- Archives
Authors, American -- 20th Century
Authors and publishers -- United States
Little magazines -- United States
Publishers and publishing -- United States

Occupations

Authors -- United States -- 20th Century

Names

Brooks, Cleanth, 1906-1994
Erskine, Albert, 1911-1993
Lowell, Robert, 1917-1977
Pipkin, Charles W. (Charles Wooten), 1899-1941
Warren, Robert Penn, 1905-1989

Corporate Body

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