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Guide to the

Leo Adams papers

1928-1952

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Summary

Creator: Adams, Leo, 1903-

Title: Leo Adams papers

Date: 1928-1952

Size: .8 linear feet (2 boxes)

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Abstract: Leo Adams (1903-) was a management executive with R.H. Macy & Co. in New York City from 1930 to 1965. Before Macy's he worked in the early motion picture theaters in Chicago and New York. Collection consists of Adams's correspondence, photographs and poetry. Correspondence is with friends and concerns the personal lives, cultural pursuits and careers of Adams and his circle during the Depression, World War II and post-war eras. Some letters pertain to the homosexual relationships of Adams and others and reflect gay life of the times. Also, a few photographs of Adams and typescript booklet of poetry.

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Key Terms

Occupations

Businessmen

Subjects

Gay men

Homosexuality -- United States

Genre/Physical Characteristic

Photographic prints

Geographic Names

United States -- Social life and customs -- 1918-1945

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