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Guide to the Diarmuid Russell letters to Pascal Covici 1945 MssCol 18393

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Summary

Creator: Russell, Diarmuid, d. 1973

Title: Diarmuid Russell letters to Pascal Covici, 1945

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Source: Donated by Glenn Horowitz Bookseller, Inc., 2010.

Abstract: The collection consists of two letters from literary agent Diarmuid Russell to "Pat," probably Viking Press editor Pascal Covici, in April 1945.

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Creator history

Diarmuid Russell was born in Dublin, Ireland in 1902. Along with Henry Volkening, he founded Russell and Volkening, one of New York City's oldest literary agencies.

Scope and content note

The collection consists of two letters from literary agent Diarmuid Russell to "Pat," probably Viking Press editor Pascal Covici, in April 1945. The letters discuss a proposal submitted to Russell which called for him to edit a literary anthology (ostensibly The Portable Irish Reader, first published by Viking Press in 1946), and his objections to the proposal.

Key terms

Names Covici, Pascal, 1885-1964 -- recipient Russell and Volkening Russell, Diarmuid, d. 1973