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Guide to the

### Kenneth W. Porter papers

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#### Summary

Creator: Porter, Kenneth Wiggins, 1905-1981

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**Abstract:** A professor of history, Kenneth W. Porter conducted research on African-American frontiersmen and cowboys, Black Seminoles, and American folklore and folk history. This collection consists primarily of his manuscripts and research materials pertaining to African-American and Native American studies. Porter's interests in socialism, poetry and literature, folklore, and general American and European history are also documented. Aspects of his personal life are represented in the papers as well.

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1 reel to reel audiotape "Negro Cowboys," 1968

span class="emph">Schomburg Photographs and Print Division:/span>

Three envelopes of photoprints re Porter's Black Seminole research

#### **Creator History**

Born in 1905 on a farm near Sterling, Kansas in the central part of the state, Kenneth Wiggins Porter's scholarly interests were truly a product of his time and place. His parents had migrated to western Kansas--his mother by covered wagon--in the "sodhouse frontier days" of the mid 1880's and he witnessed at close range changing patterns in Western life. He graduated from Sterling College with a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1926 and obtained his Master of Arts degree the following year from the University of Minnesota in history. Porter's affiliation with Harvard University began in 1927 and he worked intermittently as a research assistant in business history until he eventually received his doctoral degree in 1936, most likely in the field of business history.

Porter returned to Kansas as an assistant professor of history and political science at Southwestern College in Winfield, 1936-1938. Between 1938 and 1948 he advanced from instructor to assistant professor in history at Vassar College in Poughkeepsie, New York. He worked for the National Archives in Washington, D.C. during the summer of 1941 to 1943 and for the Business History Foundation in Texas, 1948-1955. It was during this period that he married Annette MacDonald (1946). For one year between 1951 and 1952 he was a visiting professor at the University of Oregon and in 1954 he was a Fulbright lecturer in American history at Melbourne University in Australia. Between 1955 and 1958 Porter went from being a visiting professor to a full professor at the University of Illinois. He spent the greatest amount of time as professor of history at the University of Oregon, 1958-1972. Upon his retirement he was a visiting professor at Arizona State University, Tempe between 1972 and 1973.

Porter's scholarly interests were diverse and far reaching; having grown up in western Kansas, he early on became interested in frontier history, and was particularly intrigued with African-American frontiersmen and cowboys. His research in this subject culiminated in a book, *The Negro on the American Frontier*(Arno Press, 1971). His unpublished manuscript, "Black Riders: The Negro on the Frontier of the Cattle Country" is about a related topic. Among several other unpublished manuscripts he wrote are two about the interrelationship between Seminole Indians and African Americans; "Freedom Over Me" focuses on the Seminole leader John Horse and Black Seminole Indians living in Florida, Mexico and Texas; and "Seminole: The Life of Wild Cat (Coacoochee)." As a business historian, he wrote three books: *John Jacob Astor: Business Man*(1931); *The Jacksons and the Lees: Two Generations of Massachusetts Merchants, 1755-1844*(1937) and *History of Humble Oil and Refining Company: A Study of Industrial Growth*,with H.M. Larson (1959).

Porter was also interested in American folklore and folk history, particularly local Kansas history and certain aspects of American linguistics. While in Australia in 1954 he studied Australian folklore, especially the Australian "bush ballad."

Politically, Porter was a Socialist and began to work for the Socialist Party in 1932. He was its presidential electoral candidate from the State of New York in both 1940 and 1944 and was elected to the state committee of the Labor Party as a Socialist, ca. 1944. He withdrew his membership from the Socialist Party in 1972 because he disagreed with the Socialist Party's semi-official endorsement of the Democratic Party's candidate, George McGovern. Despite that, he remained a member of the League for Industrial Democracy.

Another of Porter's lifelong interests was poetry. He wrote three volumes of verse and also had poems published in newspapers and magazines. His subject matter varied from religious themes to the High Plains. He also wrote an article about Robert Frost and was a member of the New England Poetry Club.

Porter took an active interest in current events and frequently wrote letters to the editor of his local Oregon newspaper on a wide variety of subjects. Porter died in July 1981.

#### **Scope and Content Note**

The Kenneth W. Porter Papers date from 1912 to 1981. The papers consist principally of Porter's manuscripts and research materials pertaining to African-American and Native American studies. Porter's interests in socialism, poetry and literature, folklore, and general American and European history are also documented. Aspects of his personal life are represented in the papers as well.

It should be noted that the processor has followed Porter's use of ethnic terms for Negro, black and Afro-American Studies. The processor has also maintained his terms for many folder headings and index card notes.

**Arrangement:** The collection is divided into eight series and five subseries. The titles, dates, and box numbers are as follows: Personal Papers 1912-1981: Box 1 African-American and Native American Manuscripts and Research Material "Black Riders: Negroes on the Frontier of the Cattle Country" 1953-1978: Box 2-20 "Negroes on the American Frontier" 1963-1973: Box 21-22 Seminole Manuscripts 1943-1978: Box 23-38 Dictionary of American Negro Biography 1973-1980: Box 39-40 General History 1938-1989: Box 41-66 American and European Manuscripts and Research Material Writings 1927-1980: Box 67 Folklore 1940-1978: Box 68-69 Correspondence 1926-1981: Box 70-74

#### **Key Terms**

#### **Subjects**

African American cowboys
African Americans -- History
African Americans -- Relations with Indians
American poetry
Black Seminoles
Cowboys
Frontier and pioneer life -- United States
Seminole Indians
Seminole War, 2nd, 1835-1842
Socialism -- United States

#### **Titles**

Black riders: the negro on the American frontier of the cattle country

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Porter, Kenneth Wiggins, 1905-1981

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#### PERSONAL PAPERS

The PERSONAL PAPERS series, 1912-1981 (1 lin. ft.) is composed primarily of letters Porter wrote to his family while a graduate student at Harvard University, 1927-1934. These are long, detailed letters providing much information on the process of obtaining his doctoral degree in business history. Other letters were written by his wife, Annette, and his two brothers, Keith and Russell. Some material relates to teaching at the University of Oregon.

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### AFRICAN-AMERICAN AND NATIVE AMERICAN MANUSCRIPTS AND RESEARCH MATERIAL

AFRICAN-AMERICAN AND NATIVE AMERICAN MANUSCRIPTS AND RESEARCH MATERIAL, 1932-1980 (47.8 lin. ft.) is the largest and most significant series.

#### Black Riders: The Negro on the Frontier of the Cattle Country

Porter's unpublished manuscript, "Black Riders: The Negro on the Frontier of the Cattle Country," 1953-1978 (11.6 lin. ft.), also the title of the subseries, is a study that examines the role of African Americans in the West - specifically in the cattle country, mining regions and dryfarming areas. Porter wrote about African-American cowboys and their relationships with American whites and Native Americans, in addition to African Americans who lived in the cattle country but did not work directly with cattle. These occupations included agriculture, transportation, service occupations, entertainment, general labor, business, the professions, journalism and public office. He discusses Jim Crow, African-American resistance, retaliation and accomodation, as well as the portrayal of the cow-country African American in literature and on the screen.

The collection consists of numerous drafts of Porter's manuscript for "Black Riders." He had labelled the drafts "early version," "outmoded version," "late version," etc. In processing the collection, these terms have been used but the material was not studied in sufficient detail to determine whether the arrangement of the versions is indeed in the order in which Porter wrote them. However, when possible, all of the manuscripts which pertain to each of the twenty-two chapters were kept together. The manuscripts are followed by reference material he compiled for each of the states he discusses; this material includes correspondence, notes and printed matter. Porter maintained a great number of notes on index cards; the titles he provided on these boxes have been retained. These notes have been placed at the end of the subseries relating to the particular subject. There are six such boxes for "Black Riders."

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"The Negro on the American Frontier"

"The Negro on the American Frontier" subseries, 1963-1973 (1.4 lin. ft.) is also the title of Porter's book which was published by Arno Press and The New York Timesin 1971. This book is a collection of Porter's most significant published articles on African Americans on the American frontier, originally written over a period of thirty-seven years and newly edited and updated for this book. This compilation expands the study he prepared for "Black Riders," and, in addition to African Americans in the cattle country discusses African Americans in other sections of the United States, the Seminole War, fur trading, the sodhouse frontier, etc. Material for this book includes Porter's research proposals, manuscripts, correspondence, reference articles and index card notes.

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Notes

Seminole Manuscripts subseries, 1943-1978 (11.8 lin. ft.)includes manuscripts, correspondence, reference material, index card notes, reference articles written by other researchers as well as other articles published by Porter, and microfilm of government records primarily housed by the National Archives. Porter wrote about many aspects of Black Seminoles living in Florida, Texas and Mexico; wars with the United States; and war chiefs and leaders. Included in the subseries is the manuscript entitled, "Freedom Over Me: A Folk History of Wild Cat - John Horse Band of Seminole Negroes, 1849-1882." This paper focuses on the Black Seminoles who settled in Northern Mexico in the early 1850's and returned to Texas in the early 1870's as scouts for the United States Army, and most particularly their chief John Horse, also known as Gopher John. Porter also conducted research into the second Seminole War which lasted from 1835-1842, as well as the time period which followed. Additionally, Porter did extensive research on two Seminole leaders, John Horse and Wild Cat (aka Coacoochee). The Black Seminoles took a leading part in resistance to the annexation of Florida and to the removal of Seminoles to Arkansas. When white men and Creeks began to capture and sell the Black Seminoles, John Horse, the Black Seminole Chief, led an exodus of Black Seminoles to Mexico in association with a similar movement of Indians led by Wild Cat. chief of the discontented Seminole Indians. Manuscripts for Porter's research about Billy Bowlegs, the Seminole Indian Chief, is also included in this subseries.

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Freedom Over Me: The Story of John Horse (Gopher John), Seminole Negro Chief and His People in Florida, the Indian Territory, Mexico and Texas ca. 1812-1882, 1982

Section I: War and Peace: Florida 1812-1834

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- B. Major A.P. Morrow's Report of Field Operations in Southern New Mexico November 5, 1879
- C. Records of the U.S. Army Commands Record Group 98
  - 1. Fort McKavett, Texas Scouting Book 1871
- 2. Fort Concho, Texas Letter Book 1875
- b. 38 r. 2 Records of the Engagements with Hostile Indians Military Division of the Missouri 1868-1882

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- b. 38 r. 3 Chronological List of Actions, etc. with Indians 1866-1891
- b. 38 r. 4 Newspapers Runaway Slaves in Texas 1854-1855
- b. 38 r. 5 Records of the Department of the Interior Office of Indian Affairs Seminole Negro Indian Scouts
- b. 38 r. 6 A. Records of the War Department. Military Division of the Missouri
  - B. Records of the Department of the Interior.
  - C. Office of Indian Affairs. Seminole File 1844-1845
- b. 38 r. 7 Records of the War Department. Adjutant General, Headquarters of the Army Files 1852-1853
- b. 38 r. 8 Records of the War Department. Military Division of the Missouri 1873-1876
- b. 38 r. 9 Records of the Adjutant General's Office, Florida 1840

Dictionary of American Negro Biography

The subseries "Dictionary of American Negro Biography," (.6 lin. ft.)consists of correspondence, research material and manuscripts for entries Porter either wrote or contributed ideas to, for this dictionary.

- b. 39 f. 1 1973-1974
- b. 39 f. 2 1975-1980
- b. 39 f. 3 Abraham Principal Seminole Negro Chief
- b. 39 f. 4 Beckwourth, James P. Mountain Man and War Chief of the Crows
- b. 39 f. 5 Benjamin, R.C.O. Politician, Lawyer, Journalist
- b. 39 f. 6 Bush, George Entrepreneur Bush, William Owen Washington State Legislator
- b. 39 f. 7 Cherokee Bill Indian Territory Desperado
- b. 39 f. 8 Currin, Green Jacob Oklahoma Territorial Legislature
- b. 39 f. 9 Dart, Isom Cowboy, Rustler

(Huddleston, Ned - Fictional Character Invented by a Novelist)

- b. 39 f. 10 Dorman, Isaiah Custer's Interpreter
- b. 39 f. 11 Eagleson, William Lewis Pioneer Journalist in Kansas and Oklahoma
- b. 39 f. 12 Ford, Barney Political Leader
- b. 39 f. 13 Glass, Dick Creek Negro Outlaw
- b. 39 f. 14 Hamlin, Albert Comstock Oklahoma State Legislator
- b. 39 f. 15 Hardin, William Jefferson Legislator and Mayor
- b. 39 f. 16-17 Hayden, Lewis Boston Abolitionist and Underground Railroad Operator

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#### General History

The General History, 1938-1980 (22.2 lin. ft.)consists of material that pertains to African Americans, Native Americans and general American and European history that cannot be identified as belonging to any of Porter's manuscripts. The type of material includes correspondence, manuscripts, research notes, numerous index card notes, news clippings, articles by other researchers, and Porter's published articles and book reviews. Included in this subseries is research material about Long Lance, the athlete of African-American and Native American descent, and material about slavery in addition to letters Porter wrote to editors and articles about African Americans. The folders entitled "African-American - Related Correspondence, 1970-1981" contain correspondence which was removed, after careful examination of each letter, from the Correspondence subseries of the "American and European Manuscript Research Material series." Additionally, Porter's index card notes about African American, Native American and general American history have been placed in this subseries. Some of these notes were used in Porter's college teaching.

#### Long Lance

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b. 41 f. 5	1933-1976
b. 41 f. 6	1953
b. 41 f. 7	1932
b. 41 f. 8	"Bugle on the Plains" - Manuscript and Research Material 1949
b. 41 f. 9	Croatans (Lumbee) Indians - Correspondence
b. 41 f. 10	Population of the Five Civilized Tribes By Sex and Race
b. 41 f. 11	Sidney Kaplan - Correspondence 1971
b. 41 f. 12	Eastern Indians in the Northwest
b. 41 f. 13	Handbook of North American Indians - Manuscripts of Biographies 1972
b. 41 f. 14	Amerindians - News Clippings 1979
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b. 42 f. 2	Slavery - Printed Material 1835, 1863
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#### AMERICAN AND EUROPEAN MANUSCRIPTS AND RESEARCH MATERIAL

AMERICAN AND EUROPEAN MANUSCRIPTS AND RESEARCH MATERIAL, 1927-1981 (8 lin. ft.)

This series contains material which is not related to Porter's interests in African-American and Native American history. The material is stored off-site as it does not fall within the Schomburg Center's collection policy of documenting the black experience. Off-site records can be obtained by requesting the material at least 24 hours in advance.

#### Writings

The Writings subseries, 1927-1980 (1 lin. ft.)includes Porter's Master's thesis, his published articles about Oregon business history and the fur trade, and transcriptions of letters Porter used in his book, The Jackson and the Lees, Two Generations of Massachusetts Merchants, 1765-1844.2 vols. (Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 1937). There are also ots

	correspondence and drafts for the book he co-authored with H.M. Larson, <i>History of Humble Oil and Refining Company: A Study in Industrial Growth</i> , (New York: Harper, 1959). Manuscripts for articles about several historical figures are also included in this subseries.
b. 67 f. 1	College Paper, "The Political Theory of John Lilburne," n.d. Box stored off-site
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Australian Folklore

Folk Expressions 1979

Western History Conference 1965

"Hanssin Jukka," Finnish Poem

Song of Florian Geyer - Folklore 1974

	"History of Humble Oil and Refining Company" (cont.) Correspondence, Drafts of Manuscript (cont.)	
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b. 67 f. 34	Dictionary of American Biography Review - John Jacob Astor 1980	
b. 67 f. 35	Manuscript by George A. Billias - Elbridge Gerry - 18th Century Merchant and Politician 1977	
	Folklore	
	The Folklore subseries, 1940-1978 (2 lin. ft.)consists of correspondence, research notes, manuscripts, book reviews, news clippings and other printed matter reflecting Porter's interests in American, European and Australian folklore.	
b. 68 f. 1	Microfilm - Journal of American Folklore - Irish Folk Songs Box stored off-site	
b. 68 f. 2	Folklore - General 1940-1964	
b. 68 f. 3	Folklore - General 1958	
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b. 68 f. 9 "Harvesting and Threshing in Central Kansas: Reminiscenses of the 1920's" - Manuscript and Research Material		
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b. 68 f. 30 Porter's Book Review about Nebraska Folklore 1959

b. 68 f. 31 Porter's Book Review of "Irish Wake Amusements," 1967

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#### Correspondence - Poetry and Socialism

Porter was deeply immersed in poetry and socialism, socialist issues and the writing and critiquing of poetry for half a century, beginning in the 1920's. The Correspondence - Poetry and Socialism subseries, 1926-1981 [bulk, 1930's-1950's] (4 lin. ft.)reveals the breadth of Porter's interests. His socialist correspondents include Arthur W. Calhoun, Bessie (Flora) Hurst, Naomi Mitchison and Bouck White. The following is a list of poets and literary figures with whom Porter corresponded: Colby Cleveland, Jack Conroy, Joy Davidman, Margaret Tynes Fairley, Truth Mary Hemenway, Rosalie Hickler aka Rosalie Boyce, John Holmes, Harry Elmore Hurd, Raymond Kresensky, Seymour Gordden Link, Ruben F. Menendez, Russell Porter (Kenneth's brother), Lou Agnes Reynolds, Edwin Arlington Robinson, Theodore Roethke, Julia Ruutila, Irma Wassall, and John Wheelwright. Researchers should note that many of these poets were also socialists, and socialism is frequently the focus of their writing. Porter prided himself on being a poet from Kansas, and a number of his colleagues also wrote about Kansas. As an admirer of Robert Frost, Porter wrote an article reminiscencing about his conversations with Frost between 1935-1936 and in 1941. This subseries contains Porter's research material and manuscripts about Frost as well as a 1935 handwritten letter from Frost to Porter. Also included is Porter's research material about Solomon de la Selva, a Nicaraguan poet. As a member of the New England Poetry Club, he maintained correspondence and issues of the newsletter. There are also additional letters about history, literature, folklore, and politics, some written by Porter's wife, Annette, as well as numerous letters to editors with the pertinent news clippings attached. Finally, there are numerous incoming letters and one folder of outgoing letters. Porter had arranged the incoming letters chronologically and indicated they had been answered; this arrangement has been followed. These are letters from colleagues and friends, many dealing with historical subjects.

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b. 70 f. 11 Brooks, Richard A.E. - Poems 1944

b. 70 f. 12 Brown-Brumm 1931-1977

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Calhoun, Arthur W.

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b. 70 f. 21	Carter-Case 1932-1938
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	Cleveland, Colby
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b. 71 f. 9	1935-1972
b. 71 f. 10	aka Rosalie Boyle - Includes Poems 1935-1980
b. 71 f. 11	High Plains - Porter's Book of Poetry 1938-1946
b. 71 f. 12	Hofrichter, Ruth J Poems 1942-1948
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	Robinson, Edwin Arlington
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b. 72 f. 33	Veuve, Ernest 1971-1974
b. 72 f. 34	Wallace-Ward 1933-1976
b. 72 f. 35	Wardin, Jr., Albert W. 1970-1971
b. 72 f. 36	Wardin-MacLean 1937-1947
b. 72 f. 37	Wassall, Irma 1938-1968
b. 72 f. 38	Wattles, Mary 1936-1976
	Wheelwright, John
b. 72 f. 39	Porter's Notes for Biographical Article n.d.
b. 72 f. 40	1934-1940
b. 72 f. 41	1973-1976
b. 72 f. 42	1974-1979
b. 72 f. 43	1972-1976
b. 72 f. 44	Weaver-Woods 1930-1942
b. 72 f. 45	White, Bouck 1963-1978
b. 72 f. 46	Williams, Jay 1974-1978
b. 72 f. 47	Winzer, Alice 1941-1981
b. 72 f. 48	Y 1926-1938
b. 72 f. 49	Z 1936-1938
b. 72 f. 50	Z 1930-1981
b. 72 f. 51	Unidentified Correspondents 1977-1979

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b. 73 f. 1	1961-1977 Box stored off-site
b. 73 f. 2	1935-1976
b. 73 f. 3	1963-1971
b. 73 f. 4	News Clippings 1949-1977
b. 73 f. 5	Porter's Manuscript 1977
b. 73 f. 6	Notes for Manuscript
2.700	Salomon de la Selva
b. 73 f. 7	1977
b. 73 f. 8	n.d
b. 73 f. 9	1976-1977
b. 73 f. 10	n.d
	New England Poetry Club
b. 73 f. 11	n.d
	"WRIT" - Newsletter
b. 73 f. 12	1964-1966
b. 73 f. 13	1967-1974
b. 73 f. 14	1975-1980
b. 73 f. 15	Socialism 1972
b. 73 f. 16	Literary Correspondence 1961-1971
b. 73 f. 17	Fool Killer Newspaper - Correspondence 1979
b. 73 f. 18	"Jacksonville: The Spirit of Christmas Past" - Essay n.d.
b. 73 f. 19	Reviews by Porter of History and Poetry Works 1928-1951
b. 73 f. 20	Articles and Reviews Written by Porter about Poetry and Philosophy 1927-1944
. 73 f. 21-23	Letters Answered: History, Poetry, Folklore 1959-1971
	Letters on Literature, Politics and Other Subjects Written by Annette and Kenneth Porter
b. 73 f. 24	1970-1977
b. 73 f. 25	1978
b. 73 f. 26	1979
b. 73 f. 27	1979-1981
b. 73 f. 28	Correspondence - History and Literature - Miscellaneous 1967-1972
b. 73 f. 29	News Clippings 1975-1976
	Letters to the Editor
b. 73 f. 30	1936-1949
b. 73 f. 31	1950-1963
b. 73 f. 32	1953-1972
b. 73 f. 33	1964-1965
b. 73 f. 34	Erection of Cross in Oregon 1964-1975
b. 73 f. 35	1966-1969
b. 73 f. 36	1970

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	Letters to the Editor (cont.)
b. 73 f. 37	1971-1972
b. 73 f. 38	1972-1976
b. 73 f. 39	1973
b. 73 f. 40	1975-1981
b. 73 f. 41	1977-1980
b. 73 f. 42	1980-1981
	Correspondence - Incoming Letters
	Mostly from Writers
b. 74 f. 1-2	1937-1947
	Box stored off-site
b. 74 f. 3	1938-1945
b. 74 f. 4	1939-1946
b. 74 f. 5	1939-1945
b. 74 f. 6	1940-1948
b. 74 f. 7	1940-1978
b. 74 f. 8	1944-1962
b. 74 f. 9	1947-1948
b. 74 f. 10	1948-1949
b. 74 f. 11	1948-1959
b. 74 f. 12	1950-1951
b. 74 f. 13	1950-1952
b. 74 f. 14	1951-1953
b. 74 f. 15	1952
b. 74 f. 16-17	1952-1953
b. 74 f. 18	1952-1962
b. 74 f. 19-20	1954-1955
b. 74 f. 21	1955-1958
b. 74 f. 22	1955-1956
b. 74 f. 23	1958-1960
b. 74 f. 24	1958-1963
b. 74 f. 25	1958-1968
b. 74 f. 26	1961
b. 74 f. 27	1961-1964
b. 74 f. 28	1964-1968
b. 74 f. 29	1965-1969
b. 74 f. 30	1969-1976
b. 74 f. 31	1972-1974
b. 74 f. 32	1972-1976
b. 74 f. 33	1973
b. 74 f. 34	1973-1976

b. 74 f. 35

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b. 74 f. 36	1975-1979
b. 74 f. 37	1976-1977
b. 74 f. 38	1977-1979
b. 74 f. 39	1979-1980
b. 74 f. 40	1979-1981
	Correspondence - Outgoing Letters
b. 74 f. 41	1965-1981
b. 74 f. 42	General Correspondence 1972-1976
b. 74 f. 43	Amnesty International - Case of Ray Eaglin 1979
b. 74 f. 44	John Jacob Astor 1966-1973
b. 74 f. 45	Clergy and Laity Concerned 1975-1980
b. 74 f. 46	Conservation 1980
	Education - General
b. 74 f. 47	1971-1976
b. 74 f. 48	1973-1980
b. 74 f. 49	Grand Old Army 1977
b. 74 f. 50	Pauline Longworth, Granddaughter of Theodore Roosevelt 1974-1980
b. 74 f. 51	Sterling College 1976
b. 74 f. 52	Miscellaneous Historical Subjects 1956-1976