Summary

Creator: Sheean, Vincent, 1899-1975

Title: Vincent Sheean collection of papers

Date: 1929]-1973 [bulk 1938-1959]

Size: 383 items

Source: This is a synthetic collection, created from materials acquired through gift and purchase from various sources.

Abstract: This is a synthetic collection consisting of typescripts and manuscripts, correspondence, and legal documents.

Access: Restricted access.

Conditions Governing Use: For permission to publish, contact the Curator, The Henry W. and Albert A. Berg Collection of English and American Literature.


Processing note: Processed by Staff; Machine-readable finding aid created by Lynn Lobash and Nina Schneider.

Creator History

Vincent Sheean was an American journalist, novelist, short-story writer, and essayist.

Custodial History

Some of the materials are from the files of Harper & Row, Inc. The letter to Warren Randolph Burgess came with Agatha Brooks Young gift.
Scope and Content Note

This is a synthetic collection consisting of typescripts and manuscripts, correspondence, and legal documents. The typescripts and manuscripts include drafts of novels, articles, reviews, and radio addresses. The correspondence, dating from [1929] through 1973, includes letters from the author to Warren Randolph Burgess, Sir Winston Churchill, Norma Millay, Edward Sackville-West, Agatha Brooks Young, and Harper & Bros. publishers. There are also letters relating to the author, dating from 1940 to 1959, between various correspondents including Allan Ross Macdougall, Norma Millay, Harper & Bros., and others. There are letters to Sheean from Sir Winston Churchill, Barnard D. N. Grebanier, Walter S. Minot, and others, dating from 1938 to 1973.

Key Terms

Genre/Physical Characteristic
Correspondence

Names
Sheean, Vincent, 1899-1975
Grebanier, Bernard D. N., 1903-1977
Macdougall, Allan Ross, 1893-1956
Millay, Norma
Minot, Walter Stephen
Sackville-West, Edward, 1901-1965
Young, Agnes Brooks, 1898-1974
Harper & Brothers
Harper & Row, Publishers
Container List

Manuscripts and Typescripts

**Manuscript box**

*Battle of Britain, The* Typescript of article n.d. (15 p) (15 p)
With author's annotation. Published in Reader's Digest(?) . Presented to the Berg Coll. in 1961

**Oversize (+)**

*Between the thunder and the sun* Typescript with the author's ms. corrections n.d. (490 p) (490 p)
With 2 successive typed drafts of chapters 7 and 8; with typed synopsis of the book, 7 p.; Published, New York: Random House, 1943

**Oversize (+)**

*Bird of the wilderness* Holograph novel with the author's ms. corrections n.d. (289 p) (289 p)
With 2 typewritten copies of the Author's Note and the prefatory poem; with misc. material relating to the composition of the novel, 29 p.; Published, New York: Random House, 1941

**Oversize (+)**

*Bird of the wilderness* Miscellaneous material relating to the composition of the novel n.d. (29 p) (29 p)
With *Bird of the wilderness* Emended holograph novel, 289 p.

**Manuscript box**

Book review of Agatha Young's The clown of God. Typescript (carbon) n.d. (6 p) (6 p)

**Manuscript box**

Brumaire: the Soviet Union as a fascist state. Typescript (carbon) of article with the author's ms. corrections n.d. (10 p) (10 p)
Published in The New republic, Nov. 8, 1939

**Manuscript box**

*Day of battle, A. Introduction* Typescript (carbon) 1938 Feb. 25 (2 p) (2 p)
With author's annotation. Published, New York: Doubleday, Doran, 1938, p. v-viii

**Manuscript box**

Fighting Irish, The. Typescript of article with the author's ms. corrections n.d. (9 p) (9 p)
With author's annotation

**Manuscript box**

*Forza del Destino, La* Holograph article n.d. (8 p) (8 p)

**Manuscript box**

With carbon copy, both with author's annotations

**Manuscript box**

*Ireland* Typewritten draft of article with the author's ms. corrections n.d. (10 p) (10 p)
With author's annotation. Published in Nation, Aug. 24, 1940, p. 146-148

**Manuscript box**

*Ireland* Typescript (carbon) n.d. (8 p) (8 p)
Published in Nation, Aug. 24, 1940, p. 146-148

**Manuscript box**

*Jews in Vienna and life under Fascism* Typewritten draft of article with the author's ms. corrections n.d. (18 p) (18 p)
With author's annotation

**Manuscript box**

*Jews in Vienna and life under Fascism* Final typewritten copy (carbon) n.d. (18 p) (18 p)
With author's annotation

**Manuscript box**

With author's annotation

**Manuscript box**

Last days of a nation, The. Typescript of article with the author's ms. corrections n.d. (17 p) (17 p)
With author's annotation

**Manuscript box**

*Mr. And Mrs. Churchill* Typescript (carbon) of article with the author's ms. corrections n.d. (12 p) (12 p)
With author's annotation. Published in Ladies home journal, Jan. 1941, p. 17
Manuscripts and Typescripts (cont.)

Cased

[Nehru, the years of power] Typescript with the author's ms. correction. Page 233 misnumbered p. 234 n.d. (250 p) (250 p)
4 p. printed matter with the author's ms. corrections laid in at end. Published, New York: Random House, 1960

Manuscript box
[Not peace but a sword] The thirteen bus, 1940. Typescript of chapter (carbon) n.d. (22 p) (22 p)
With author's annotation. Published, New York: Doubleday, 1939, p. 1-41

Manuscript box
On the public apathy. Typescript (carbon) of article with the author's ms. correction n.d. (9 p) (9 p)
With author's annotation. Published in Look, March 16, 1942 (?)

Manuscript box
Opera--sight unseen. Typescript (carbon) of article n.d. (6 p) (6 p)
With author's annotation

Manuscript box
Peace or a breathing spell? Typescript of article with the author's ms. corrections n.d. (11 p) (11 p)
With author's annotation

Manuscript box
Press dispatches (48). Typewritten and one holograph n.d. (48 items in 5 folders)
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Manuscript box
R. A. F. Typescript of article with the author's ms. corrections n.d. (14 p) (14 p)
With the author's signed marginal ms. note

Manuscript box
Republican party's candidate for the Presidency of the United States. Typescript of radio talk broadcast June 28, 1940 1940 June 28 (2 p) (2 p)
With author's annotation

Cased
[This house against this house] Typescript with the author's ms. corrections n.d. (394 p) (394 p)
Signed (?); Published, New York: Random House, 1946

Manuscript box
War in the air, The. Typescript of article with the author's ms. corrections n.d. (22 p) (22 p)
With author's annotation; with uncorrected carbon copy

Manuscript box
[War of propaganda, The] Typescript (carbon) of inserts 1940 May 16 (2 p) (2 p)
With 2 telegrams

Manuscript box
War of propaganda, The. Typescript of article with the author's ms. corrections n.d. (8 p) (8 p)
With author's annotation; with uncorrected carbon copy

Manuscript box
"We shall never surrender." Typescript (carbon) of article n.d. (5 p) (5 p)
With author's annotation. Published, Book of the Month, May 1941 (?)

Manuscript box
What America wants to know about the war. Typescript of article n.d. (12 p)
(12 p)
With author's annotation

Manuscript box
Why we enter the struggle. Typescript of article with the author's ms. corrections n.d. (12 p) (12 p)
With author's annotation; with TLS to his secretary and TL (carbon) to Look magazine, and typescript (carbon) of final draft of article, March 25, 1941. 14 p.

Manuscript box
Winning of the war, The. Typescript of article with the author's ms. corrections n.d. (8 p) (8 p)
With three uncorrected carbon copies; both with author's annotation

Correspondence

Outgoing Correspondence

Manuscript box
Burgess, Warren Randolph. TLS to [1954] Feb. 15 (1 p) (1 p)
Came with Agatha Brooks Young gift
Correspondence (cont.)

Outgoing Correspondence (cont.)

Manuscript box
Churchill, Winston Leonard Spencer. 5 TL (carbon) to 1938 Oct. 23 - 1940 Feb. 14 (1 p. each) (1 p. each)

Manuscript box
Collins, Alan. TLS (carbon) to [1962] Oct. 6 (3 p) (3 p)
With: Sheean, Vincent. 6 ALS, 13 TLS, 1 postcard to Agatha Brooks Young. June 23 [1959]-March 14 [1969]. Folder 3

Manuscript box
Haas, Robert. TL (carbon) to. Relates to Agatha Brooks Young [1954] Apr. 12 (1 p) (1 p)

Manuscript box
Letter of Jan. 18, 1951 encloses his: TL (carbon) to Norma Millay, Jan. 18, 1951. 1 p. in folder 1; with 42 TL (carbon) replies and 12 related memoranda; From the files of Harper & Row, inc.


Minot, Walter S. TLS to 1973 Sept. 13 (1 p) (1 p)
With Minot's TL (carbon) to Sheean, May 9, 1973. 1 p.

Manuscript box

Manuscript box

Incoming Correspondence

Manuscript box
Churchill, Winston Leonard Spencer, Sir. TNS to Sheean 1938 Oct. 28 (1 p) (1 p)

Manuscript box
Churchill, Winston Leonard Spencer, Sir. TLS to Sheean 1939 Sept. 16 (1 p) (1 p)

Manuscript box
Grebanier, Barnard D. N. ALS to Sheean 1939 Nov. 4 (2 leaves) (2 leaves)

Manuscript box
Letters, ALS, TLS, etc., from miscellaneous correspondents, not listed separately, to Sheean. Relate to Sheean's article, "Brumaire: the Soviet Union as a fascist state." 1939 - 1941 (8 letters) (8 letters)

Manuscript box
Miscellaneous correspondence: 3 TLS, 1 ALS, sent to Sheean 1940 (?) (4 letters) (4 letters)
With newspaper clipping of French-German armistice, 1940

Manuscript box
Minot, Walter S. TL (carbon) to Sheean 1973 May 9 (1 p) (1 p)

Related Correspondence

Manuscript box
From the files of Harper & Row, inc.

Manuscript box
Lehmann, Lotte. TLS to Harper & bros. Relates to Edna St. Vincent Millay and Vincent Sheean's The indigo bunting 1951 Oct. 8 (1 p) (1 p)
With TL (carbon) reply. From the files of Harper & Row, inc.
Manuscript box (Sheean)


From the files of Harper & Row, inc.

Manuscript box (Millay, E.)


Manuscript box

Millay, Norma. 4 ALS, 68 TLS, 3 TL (copies), 9 telegrams to Harper & bros. Written as literary executor for her sister, Edna St. Vincent Millay. Principal correspondent is Harper's editor Cass Canfield. Some relate to Allan Ross Macdougall and V. Sheean 1940 Mar. 22 - 1959 Nov. 13 (84 letters in 17 folders) (84 letters in 17 folders)

With 162 TL (carbon) replies and 93 related memoranda. From the files of Harper & Row, inc.

Legal Documents

Manuscript box (Sheean)

Shanghai quarantine service. International certificate of inoculation and vaccination issued to Vincent Sheean 1949 Mar. 28 (1 item) (1 item)

Manuscript box (Sheean)

United States. Department of State. Passport issued at Washington, D. C., Nov. 18, 1948, to James Vincent Sheean 1948 Nov. 18 (1 item (48 p)) (1 item (48 p))