Summary

Creator: Aldington, Richard, 1892-1962

Title: Richard Aldington collection of papers

Date: 1914-1962

Size: 394 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 manuscripts and typescripts, correspondence by and about the author, diaries for 1933, an undated notebook, and financial 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


Language of the Material: Some material in French

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

Creator History
Richard Aldington was an English novelist, essayist, satirist, biographer, literary critic, and translator.

Custodial History
Previous owners include Rob Lyle. The author's letters to Rachel Annand Taylor were a gift of Miriam Benkovitz in memory of John D. Gordan.
Scope and Content Note
This is a synthetic collection consisting of manuscripts and typescripts, correspondence by and about the author, diaries for 1933, an undated notebook, and financial documents. The manuscripts and typescripts include poems, radio talks, biographies, and translations by the author, as well as essays relating to the author by Frieda Lawrence and Walter Lowenfels. The correspondence consists of letters, dating from 1916 to 1962, from the author to Terence Ian Fytton Armstrong, Alan Bird, Rob Lyle, Thomas Moult, Rachel Annand Taylor, Louise Morgan Theis, Virginia Woolf, and others, and well as letters relating to the author, dating from 1930 to 1955, between various correspondents including Michael Arlen, Roy Campbell, Nancy Cunard, Rob Lyle, Thomas McGreevy, Humbert Wolfe, and the literary agency J. B. Pinker and Son.

Key Terms

Genre/Physical Characteristic
Correspondence
Notebooks

Names
Aldington, Richard, 1892-1962
Arlen, Michael, 1895-1956
Benkovitz, Miriam J.
Bird, Alan
Campbell, Roy, 1901-1957
Cunard, Nancy, 1896-1965
Gawsworth, John, 1912-1970
Lawrence, Frieda, 1879-1956
Lowenfels, Walter, 1897-1976
Lyle, Rob
MacGreevy, Thomas, 1893-1967
Morgan, Louise
Moult, Thomas
Taylor, Rachel Annand, 1876-1960
Wolfe, Humbert, 1885-1940
Woolf, Virginia, 1882-1941
James B. Pinker and Son
# Container List

## Manuscripts & Typescripts

### Manuscripts

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<td><strong>Be unto me as sunlight. Holograph poems</strong></td>
<td>n.d. (1 item) (1 item)</td>
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<td><strong>Fifteen years ago. Holograph poem. On French table of contents and advertisement torn out of unidentified book</strong></td>
<td>n.d. (2 p) (2 p)</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>To: Brigit. Another of your poets! Holograph poem</strong></td>
<td>n.d. (1 p) (1 p) Signed with initials</td>
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### Diaries & Notebooks

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<td><strong>Engagement book with holograph entries</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Diary entries of a visit to North Africa. Holograph</strong></td>
<td>n.d (1 v) (1 v) With engagement book with entries for Jan.-March, 1933</td>
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<td><strong>Notebook of poems. Holograph</strong></td>
<td>n.d (1 v) (1 v) Four poems laid in. All but one unpublished in [The complete poems, London, Wingate, 1948] B.</td>
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### Typescripts

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<td><strong>Gotham Book Mart. Richard Aldington. Typescript of contribution to We moderns</strong></td>
<td>n.d. (1 p) (1 p) Published in Gotham book mart catalog, no. 41, New York, 1940</td>
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<td><strong>Lawrence d’Arabie. Typescript (carbon) of radio talk with the author’s ms. corrections</strong></td>
<td>n.d. (3 p) (3 p) With ms. note, “Radio France 25/11/54”</td>
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<td><strong>Syrian dancer, The. Attributed to Vergil. Translated by Richard Aldington. Typescript</strong></td>
<td>n.d. (1 p) (1 p)</td>
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Guide to the Richard Aldington collection of papers
Financial Documents

English review. Check made out to Richard Aldington by Violet Hunt 1914 July 21 (1 item) (1 item)
Endorsed by Richard Aldington

Correspondence

Outgoing

Armstrong, Terence Ian Fytton. 11 TLS 1946 - 1951 (11 items) (11 items)

Bird, Alan. 147 TLS. Relates to his Lawrence of Arabia 1949 Feb. 3 - 1962 Feb.
5 (147 items in 29 folders) (147 items in 29 folders)
Published, London: Collins, 1955

Buck, Mr. ALS 1921 Aug. 2 (1 item) (1 item)

Buck, M[--?] S[--?]. TLS 1916 Feb. 18 (1 p) (1 p)

Campbell, Roy. 4 TLS. Mention Norman Douglas and Thomas Edward Lawrence 1954 July 5 - 1954 Sept. 12 (4 items) (4 items)
Letter of July 5 encloses an anonymous letter to Aldington [n.d.] 1 l. Came with Aldington’s correspondence with Rob Lyle

Daily Telegraph, TL (carbon) to the editor. Relates to Basil Henry Liddell Hart and Thomas Edward Lawrence 1955 Mar. 2 (1 p) (1 p)

Haley, [--?]. TL (carbon). Relates to Norman Douglas 1954 May 14 (1 p) (1 p)
Came with his correspondence with Rob Lyle

Hunt, Violet. ALS 1921 Nov. 9 (1 item) (1 item)

Detailed list of enclosures typed on folders

Marshall, Kenneth W. 4 TLS 1929 Sept. 16 - 1929 Oct. 2 (4 items) (4 items)

Moult, Thomas. ALS 1920 June 21 (1 p) (1 p)

Moult, Thomas. TLS 1920 July 20 (1 p) (1 p)

Moult, Thomas. TLS 1923 Jan. 26 (1 p) (1 p)

Moult, Thomas. TLS 1935 July 26 (1 p) (1 p)

Pinker and son, James B. 12 LS, ALS, etc. 1931 - 1940 (12 items) (12 items)
Manuscript box. In
his: 99 TLS, 3
telegrams to Rob
Enclosed in letter
of March 17,
1955. Folder 13

Manuscript box. In
his: 99 TLS, 3
telegrams to Rob
Enclosed in letter
Folder 13

Manuscript box
Roditi, [--?]. TL (carbon). Relates to Sir Winston Churchill and T. E.
Lawrence 1954 Oct. 15 (1 item) (1 item)

Manuscript box
Russell, [--?]. TLS 1955 Mar. 13 (1 p) (1 p)

Manuscript box
Taylor, Rachel Annand. 2 TLS 1950 Jan. 6, 1952 July 2 (2 items) (2 items)
Gift of Miriam Benkovitz in memory of John D. Gordon

Manuscript box
Theis, Louise Morgan. 28 letters and 4 postcards 1929 - 1936 (37 p) (37 p)

Manuscript box
Woolf, Virginia. ALS 1923 Sept. 22 (1 p) (1 p)

Manuscript box
Greene, Graham. TL (copy) to Aldington 1954 May 18 (1 p) (1 p)
With TL (carbon) reply, May 30, 1954, 2 p.; with ms. note "not sent". Encloses: Lawrence, Frieda. TL (copy) to Aldington, Mar. 29, 1954. 1 p. Relates to Aldington's Pinorman and D. H. Lawrence Originally an enclosure in a letter from Aldington or Roy Campbell to Rob Lyle

Manuscript box
Lawrence, Frieda. TL (copy) to Aldington. Relates to Aldington's Pinorman and D. H. Lawrence 1954 Mar. 29 (1 p) (1 p)
Enclosed in TL (carbon) reply accompanying: Greene, Graham. TL (copy) to Richard Aldington. May 18, 1954

Manuscript box
Massignon, Louis. TLS to Aldington. Relates to T. E. Lawrence 1954 Dec. 9 (1 p) (1 p)

Manuscript box
Maugham, William Somerset. TL (copy) to Aldington 1954 Aug. 29 (1 p) (1 p)

Manuscript box
Sitwell, Sacheverell. 2 ALS to Aldington 1922 Nov. 26, 1923 Feb. 27 (2 items) (2 items)

Manuscript box

Manuscript box
Urnov, Mikhail. Postcard to Aldington 1917 Dec. 21 (1 item) (1 item)
With a copy of A Soviet Review of World Events, Apr. 7, 1965, where on p. 29 a review by the same author is printed

Manuscript box
Wolfe, Humbert. TL (carbon) to Aldington 1933 Feb. 21 (1 p) (1 p)
Correspondence (cont.)
Incoming (cont.)

Manuscript box
(Aldington)

Letters, ALS, TLS, etc. from miscellaneous correspondents, not listed separately, to Aldington. Relate to T. E. Lawrence 1954 - 1955 (5 items) (5 items)
Came with Aldington's correspondence with Rob Lyle

Related Correspondence

Manuscript box

Dec. 15, 1937 Mar. 16 (2 items) (2 items)
With 2 TL (carbon) replies; accompanied by: Livesey, Monica. TLS to Humbert Wolfe, Jan. 14, 1937. 1 p. Written as secretary to Michael Arlen

Manuscript box

Campbell, Roy. 2 ALS to Rob Lyle. Relate to a proposed pamphlet on Richard Aldington's Pinorman 1954 (2 items) (2 items)
One letter is at bottom of: Cunard, Nancy. Postcard (copy) to William Heinemann, ltd. April 1954. 1 p. Relates to Norman Douglas

Manuscript box

Cunard, Nancy. 2 ALS to [J. B. Pinker and son]. Relate to Richard Aldington Feb. 17; May 28 (2 items) (2 items)

Manuscript box
(Aldington)

Letters, ALS, TLS, etc. from miscellaneous correspondents to Alan Bird relating to research done for Richard Aldington's Lawrence of Arabia n.d. (35 items in 5 folders) (35 items in 5 folders)

Manuscript box
(Aldington)

Letters, ALS, TLS, etc. from miscellaneous correspondents, not listed separately, to Rob Lyle. Relate to proposed pamphlet on Richard Aldington's Pinorman. Several letters mention Nancy Cunard 1954 - 1955 (11 items) (11 items)

Manuscript box
(Pinker, J. B., firm)

Letters, ALS, telegrams, etc. from various publishers, etc. to the firm of James B. Pinker and son as literary agent for Richard Aldington n.d. (11 items) (11 items)

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Manuscript box