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Marilla Waite Freeman papers

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Summary

Creator: Freeman, Marilla Waite

Title: Marilla Waite Freeman papers

Date: 1921-1959

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Abstract: Marilla Waite Freeman was born in Honeoye Falls, New York, in 1870. After receiving a degree in literature from the University of Chicago in 1897, Freeman became a librarian. Her career included positions with the the Newberry Library, St. Joseph's Hosipital, and various public libraries, including those in Michigan City, Indiana; Davenport, Iowa; Newark, New Jersey; and Cleveland, Ohio. She also published numerous essays on literacy, poetry, and the importance of literature. She died in Yonkers, New York, in 1961. The papers consist largely of correspondence and ephemera relating to her support of the Academy of American Poets. Some personal correspondence with friends, family members, and authors is present, including several exchanges with Frieda Lawrence, wife of D.H. Lawrence, relating to books written about Lawrence, as well as a testimonial from the Commissioners of the Goodwyn Institute of Memphis presented to Freeman on the event of her departure from the institute

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Names

Freeman, Marilla Waite

Lawrence, Frieda, 1879-1956

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