

Reginald Eyre Watters fonds

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Fonds Description

Reginald Eyre Watters fonds. – 1956-1958.

86 cm of textual records.

Biographical Sketch

Born in Toronto in 1912, Reginald Eyre Watters earned his B.A. (1935) and M.A. (1937) from the University of Toronto and Ph.D. (1941) from the University of Wisconsin. He taught English at the University of Washington and Indiana prior to joining the Department of English at UBC in 1956. He left the university in 1961 to assume a position at the Royal Military College, Kingston. Amongst his numerous publications, Watters edited *British Columbia: A Centennial Anthology* (1958) and *A Checklist of Canadian Literature and Background Materials, 1628-1960* (1959).

Scope and Content

Fonds consists of correspondence and manuscript materials. The papers were generated through Watter's work on a variety of publications and as editor-in-chief of *British Columbia: A Centennial Anthology*. They include correspondence with members of the Advisory Board (1956-1958) and others connected with the publication, correspondence with authors (1957), manuscripts of articles and poems (both accepted and rejected), page proofs, and reviews of the book (1958). Also included in the collection is a typed manuscript for the *Checklist of Canadian Literature*.

Notes

File list available.

Series Descriptions

Correspondence Re: Anthology series. – 1956-1958.

8 cm.

Series consists of correspondence with the editorial board for *British Columbia: A Centennial Anthology*.

Correspondence Re: Submissions series. – 1956-1957.

20 cm.

Series consists of correspondence with authors regarding their submissions for the *Anthology*.

Manuscripts series. – 1956-1957.

58 cm.

Series consists of typed manuscripts and page proofs for both the *Anthology*, and *A Checklist of Canadian Literature*. It is arranged in the sub-series Manuscripts, Rejected Manuscripts, Page Proofs - Anthology, and Typed Manuscript - A Checklist of Canadian Literature.

File List

Correspondence Re: Anthology

Box 1

- 1-1 Advisory Board - General (1956-57)
- 1-2 Roderick Haig-Brown (1956-58)
- 1-3 Willard Ireland (1957-58)
- 1-4 T.K. Willis - Executive Editor (1956-57)
- 1-5 Gordon Elliott - Research Assistant (1957)
- 1-6 Mary Carr Wright - Editorial Management (1957-58)
- 1-7 Art and Design Committee (1957)
- 1-8 Publishing Committee (1956)
- 1-9 Victoria Post Office (1957)

Correspondence Re: Submissions (Alphabetical by name)

- 1-10 "A"
- 1-11 "B"
- 1-12 "C"
- 1-13 "D"
- 1-14 "E"
- 1-15 "F"
- 1-16 "G"

- 1-17 "H"
- 1-18 "I, J"
- 1-19 "K"
- 1-20 "L"
- 1-21 "M"
- 1-22 "Mc"
- 1-23 "N"
- 1-24 "O"
- 1-25 "P, Q"
- 1-26 "R"
- 1-27 "S"
- 1-28 "T"
- 1-29 "U, V"
- 1-30 "W, X, Y, Z"

Manuscripts (Divided by Chapter)

- 1-31 "Days of our Years"
 - 1-32 "The Sea Our Doorway"
 - 1-33 "Mountains Enfold Us"
- Box 2
- 2-1 "The Glow of our Lamps"

2-2 "Corridors of Our Spirit"

Rejected Manuscripts

2-3/5 Manuscripts - Miscellaneous

2-6 Page proofs and rough drafts for Introduction to Book

Box 3

Page Proofs - Anthology

Box 4

Typed Manuscript - A Checklist of Canadian Literature

4-1/4 [manuscript]