

William Rose fonds

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Fonds Description

William Rose fonds. -- 1861-1968.

1.06 m of textual records.

23 volumes.

35 photographs.

Biographical Sketch

William John Rose was born in 1885 near Minnedosa, Manitoba, and attended Wesley College where he prepared for missionary work in China. He won a Rhodes scholarship and studied at Oxford University where he obtained both his B.A. (1908) and M.A. (1912). He returned to Wesley College as a lecturer in classics and mathematics. In 1914, he went to Poland as a special worker for the World Students' Christian Federation. While there, Rose became keenly interested in Poland's history and culture. When World War I began he was in Austrian Silesia, where he was detained as an enemy alien. Between 1920 and 1927, he served as a relief worker in Poland with the YMCA. He also completed his Ph.D. at the University of Krakow (1926). After teaching at Dartmouth College, Rose accepted a position as Polish reader at the University of London and quickly rose to become head of the School of Slavonic Studies (1939-1950). Although retiring in 1950, Rose remained very active. He helped to establish the Department of Slavonic Studies at the University of British Columbia, served as a special lecturer there from 1951 to 1954, and in 1956 was named Professor Emeritus of Slavonic Studies. After leaving UBC he moved to Naramata, B.C., where he served on the staff of the Christian Leadership Training School, also known as the Naramata Centre. He died in 1968.

Scope and Content

Fonds consists of materials documenting the life and career of William Rose, and includes correspondence (1905-1967), diaries (1895-1939), drafts of manuscripts, articles, translations, poetry, lecture notes, published materials (including clippings), offprints, and photographs. Among these are several pieces written under his pseudonym Jan Rozycki. The records are arranged in the following series: Correspondence, Published Works, Reports, Notes, Notebooks, Diaries, Manuscripts, Translations, Reviews, Publications About Rose, Works by Others, Rose Family Records, and Photographs.

Notes

File list available.

Series Descriptions

Correspondence series. 1900-1966.

16 cm of textual records.

Series consists of incoming and copies of outgoing correspondence, both personal and professional. Files are arranged in alphabetical and chronological order.

Published Works series. 1909-1968.

8 cm of textual records.

Series consists of published works written by William Rose, and includes published letters, clippings, and typescript and offprint copies of articles.

Reports series. 1918-1966.

9 cm of textual records.

Series consists of reports written by Rose.

Notes series. 1924-1957.

15 cm of textual records.

Series consists of notes written by Rose, including notes written about other works and notes written in preparation for speeches and lectures.

Notebooks series. 1910-1958.

13 volumes.

Series consists of notebooks, two of which are full of German-language newspaper clippings relating to World War I, the rest include notes written by Rose on academic subjects.

Diaries series. 1914-1939.

10 volumes.

0.5 cm of textual records.

Series consists of Roses diaries, all but one of which are written in bound volumes, the other is in looseleaf format.

Manuscripts series. 1934-1955.

16.5 cm of textual records.

Series consists of typewritten manuscripts of scholarly articles and works of fiction written by Rose.

Translations series. 1920-1941.

2.5 cm of textual records.

Series consists of works translated into English by William Rose.

Reviews series. 1929-1955.

2 cm of textual records.

Series consists of published reviews of Rose's work, and includes clippings and other published materials.

Publications About Rose series. 1904-1963.

3.5 cm of textual records.

Series consists of published works about Rose, and includes clippings and offprints.

Works by Others series. 1874-1966.

21 cm of textual records.

Series consists of published and unpublished works by other authors acquired by Rose in the course of his career, and includes published materials, clippings, offprints, and manuscripts.

Rose Family Records series. 1861-1968.

12 cm of textual records.

Series consists of personal records of William Rose and his family, and includes correspondence, published materials, and other memorabilia.

Photographs series. [n.d.]

35 photographs : b&w ; 20.5cm x 25.5cm and smaller.

Series consists of photographs of William Rose, members of his family, and friends and colleagues. Most of the images, except those of Rose, are unidentified.

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CORRESPONDENCE

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- 1-1 Correspondence - Letters outgoing 1905-66
- 1-2 Letters incoming "A" 1920-50
- 1-3 Letters incoming "B" 1908-61
- 1-4 Incoming letters "C" 1910-59
- 1-5 Correspondence "D" 1926-57
- 1-6 Incoming Correspondence "F" 1922-61
- 1-7 Incoming Letters "G-H" 1920-61
- 1-8 Correspondence "I-J" 1921-52
- 1-9 Incoming Correspondence "K" 1920-55
- 1-10 Correspondence "L" 1926-66
- 1-11 Incoming Correspondence "M" 1900-50
- 1-12 Incoming Correspondence N-O 1923-66
- 1-13 Correspondence "P" 1920-66
- 1-14 Correspondence "R" 1908-59
- 1-15 Correspondence "S" 1921-60
- 1-16 Incoming Correspondence T-U 1920-65
- 1-17 Incoming Correspondence [Universities] 1935-62
- 1-18 Incoming Correspondence [University of London] 1936-59
- 1-19 Incoming Correspondence [Universities] 1905-60
- 1-20 Incoming Correspondence "V-W" 1908-51
- 1-21 Incoming Correspondence "Y" 1920-52
- 1-22 Correspondence 1918-52
- 1-23 Correspondence 1923-49
- 1-24 Correspondence 1925-29
- 1-25 Telegrams 1927-65
- 1-26 Correspondence re. articles and books 1928-67
- 1-27 Polish correspondence 1932-36
- 1-28 Incoming Correspondence - Relatives 1952-60
- 1-29 Correspondence 1954-62

PUBLISHED WORKS

- 1-30 Offprints by Rose 1909-19

- 1-31 Published letters 1914-55
- 1-32 Newspaper articles by Rose 1918-65
- 1-33 Offprints by Rose 1920-30
- 1-34 Pamphlets by W.J.R. 1920-45
- 1-35 Offprints by Rose 1931-45
- 1-36 Offprints by Rose 1945-68
- 1-37/43 Articles by Rose [n.d.]

REPORTS

- 1-44/54 Reports by Rose 1918-66

Box 2

- 2-1 Report - School of Slavonic and East European Studies 1937-47
- 2-2 Reports to the Polish Embassy 1937-48
- 2-3 Reports - Miscellaneous 1960
- 2-4 Reports [n.d.]
- 2-5 Reports - Miscellaneous [n.d.]

NOTES

- 2-6 Notes - Sociology 1924-30
- 2-7 Sociology 1927
- 2-8 Notes - Cultural History from Dartmouth Coll. 1927-35
- 2-9/13 Notes 1936-50
- 2-14 Lecture - Y.M.C.A. 1938
- 2-15/17 Speeches 1944-58
- 2-18 Lectures and notes 1954
- 2-19 Lecture - Joseph Conrad 1957
- 2-20 Lecture notes - "Travelling Europe and the New Balance of Power" 1957
- 2-21 Articles / Lecture drafts [n.d.]
- 2-22 Economic history - Poland [n.d.]
- 2-23 Lecture Notes [n.d.]
- 2-24 Lecture notes - Education - Poetry/Poets - Antisemitism [n.d.]
- 2-25 Lecture notes - "Polish Peasantry And Gentry" [n.d.]
- 2-26 Lecture Notes [Sociology] [n.d.]
- 2-27 Lecture Notes [Sociology] [n.d.]

- 2-28/35 Notes [n.d.]
- 2-36 Notes on Conrad [n.d.]
- 2-37 Notes for History of Civilization [n.d.]
- 2-38 Notes - Miscellaneous [n.d.]
- 2-39 Notes - Miscellaneous [n.d.]
- 2-40 Notes - Miscellaneous [n.d.]
- 2-41 Notes - Polish history [n.d.]
- 2-42 Notes - Russian history course [n.d.]
- 2-43 [Notes - Schweitzer] [n.d.]
- 2-44 Religious Notes [n.d.]

NOTEBOOKS

- 2-45 Five Addresses on The Variety of Ideals 1910
- 2-46 Prag. Jan. 1914 - Ligoška Sept. 1914 - Kriegskalender [notebook full of German newspaper clippings] 1914
- 2-47 Papers in [?] [notebook full of German newspaper clippings] 1915
- 2-48 Collier - History of English Literature - Notes 1918
- 2-49 Mens Class - Religion & Life 1929
- 2-50 Toward a Christian Social Order 1929
- 2-51 UBC - Course 311 1950-56
- 2-52 Slavonics Dept. - U.B.C. 1951-52
- 2-53 Teutons & Slavs [UBC Slavonics 330] 1954-56
- 2-54 Lectures at Naramata 1956-57
- 2-55 Naramata C.L.T.S. Course of Talks 1957-58
- 2-56 Canada - Then & Now [n.d.]
- 2-57 The Reformation in Poland [n.d.]

DIARIES

Box 3

- 3-1 Diaries [10 notebooks] 1914-33
- 3-2 Diary unbound - The Roumanian Trip 1939

MANUSCRIPTS

- 3-3 Dr. Albert Schweitzer July 1934
- 3-4 Annotated typescript - Warsaw 1936
- 3-5 Annotated typescript - Poznan 1936
- 3-6 Annotated typescript - Lodzh 1936
- 3-7 Warsaw - 1815-1830 [1936?]
- 3-8 Warsaw II - Nineteenth century [1936?]
- 3-9 Warsaw today [1936?]
- 3-10 Lwow [1936?]
- 3-11 Wilno and Torun [1936?]
- 3-12 Poland - Correspondence and drafts 1939
- 3-13 MSS - Tale from Silesia 1955
- 3-14 Manuscripts [Brief Pilgrimage of George John Blewett - 1873-1912] 1955
- 3-15 MSS [Amateur Peacemaking] [n.d.]
- 3-16 Annotated typescripts - Miscellaneous [n.d.]
- 3-17 The Danzig problem from within [n.d.]
- 3-18 [Europe in Travail - galley proof] [n.d.]
- 3-19 MSS - London 1935-1955 [n.d.]
- 3-20 Poetry [n.d.]
- 3-21 The problem of culture [n.d.]
- 3-22 MSS - School [n.d.]
- 3-23 MSS - Thirty Wander Years - Part 1 [n.d.]
- 3-24 MSS - Thirty Wander Years - Part 2 [n.d.]
- 3-25 MSS - Thirty Wander Years - Part 3 [n.d.]
- 3-26 World War I memoirs - "Wartime in Silesia 1914-1918" [n.d.]

TRANSLATIONS

- 3-27/30 [Translations] 1920-41
- 3-31 Poland on the Eve of Collapse - by An Ukrainian Observer [translated by William Rose?] December 1939
- 3-32 ["Joy of Christmas" - translation by William Rose] [n.d.]
- 3-33 Translations [n.d.]

REVIEWS

- 3-34 Reviews [of Rose's published work] 1929-55

- 3-35 Drama of Upper Silesia - Reviews 1936-37
- 3-36 [Reviews - The Drama of Upper Silesia] 1937
- 3-37 [Reviews - The Rise of Polish Democracy] 1944-62
- 3-38 Reviews - Poland Old & New 1948

PUBLICATIONS ABOUT ROSE

- 3-39 Offprints about William Rose 1904-54
- 3-40 Newspaper clippings about Rose 1912-36
- 3-41 Newspaper clippings about William Rose 1940-63

WORKS BY OTHERS

- 3-42 Miscellaneous pamphlets [7 volumes] 1874-1961
- 3-43 Pamphlets on YMCA [3 volumes] 1913-23
- 3-44 [Pamphlets re. religion] 1914-21
- 3-45 [Miscellaneous pamphlets] 1918-28

Box 4

- 4-1 Offprints re. religion 1920-56
- 4-2 Offprints re. YMCA 1920-50
- 4-3 Offprints re. religion 1922-65
- 4-4 Offprints re. Poland 1923-33
- 4-5 Other books [4 volumes] 1927-36
- 4-6 Offprints re. education 1928-31
- 4-7 Poetry books [4 volumes] 1928-60
- 4-8 Subject File - Ecclesiastic affairs - Printed material, notes, correspondence
1932-63
- 4-9 Offprints re. Schweitzer 1935-65

Box 5

- 5-1 Pamphlets re. Poland 1938-66
- 5-2 The Soviet Surprise September 1941
- 5-3 Offprints re. Conrad 1946-57
- 5-4 [Miscellaneous pamphlets - 2 volumes] 1947
- 5-5 Miscellaneous newspaper clippings 1950-65

- 5-6 [Miscellaneous offprints] 1951-67
- 5-7 Offprints on Victorian Poets 1960
- 5-8 Autobiographical Sketch by Hugh L. Dobson, at the request of Franklin Friends [n.d.]
- 5-9 Notes by Adam Bromke - A Visit to Poland [n.d.]

ROSE FAMILY RECORDS

- 5-10 Rose family records 1861-1952
- 5-11 Miscellaneous - Printed material 1878-1952
- 5-12 Miscellaneous family letters 1879-1931
- 5-13 Memorabilia [sic] 1893-1919

Box 6

- 6-1 Documents - Certificates, Degrees, Deeds, etc. 1905-68
- 6-2 Memoirs of Arthur Rose - Letters, etc. 1910-12
- 6-3 Maps [WWI] 1918
- 6-4 Memorabilia [sic] 1920-68
- 6-5 Centennial congratulations, etc. 1967
- 6-6 Art reproductions, etc. [n.d.]

PHOTOGRAPHS

- 6-7 Photographs [29 B&W prints, various sizes] [n.d.]
- 6-8 Photographs [6 B&W prints, various sizes] [n.d.]