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The collection numbers 328 cataloged items, plus ephemera, in 9 boxes and 1 oversize folder.

Call numbers: EW 1 - 322

Language(s): English

Other Material and Collections of Interest:

Evelyn Waugh Collection (part of the Loren and Frances Rothschild gift): rare books, magazine appearances, and printed material by Evelyn Waugh; also printed biographical and critical studies. Please contact the Rare Books Department for paging information or any questions about this material.


Abstract

The Evelyn Waugh Papers is a collection of literary manuscripts, business and personal correspondence and ephemera by and about the British writer Evelyn Waugh (1903-1966).
Biographical Note

Evelyn Waugh (1903-1966), was a British satirical writer whose published works included *Decline and Fall, A Handful of Dust, Sword of Honour* and *The Loved One*, as well as several travel books. Waugh’s conversion to Catholicism in 1930 introduced Catholic themes and subjects to his writing including, perhaps his most well-known work, *Brideshead Revisited*. Waugh was married twice and had seven children, including the journalist Auberon Waugh; on Easter Sunday, Apr. 10, 1966, Waugh died of heart failure at his home Combe Florey in Somerset.

Scope and Content Note

The papers consist of the following series:

1. Manuscripts (Boxes 1-2) are arranged alphabetically by author and title. This series includes a radio script for the BBC, two complete autograph manuscripts for *Decline and Fall* and *Ninety-Two Days*, a printed copy of “The Cynic,” and manuscripts related to *Basil Seal Rides Again, A Little Learning, The Loved One* and an essay about Pope John XXIII.

2. Correspondence (Boxes 3-8) is arranged alphabetically by author. The majority of the letters in this series are business-related and cover the years 1961-1968; the letters concern the publication of Waugh’s last books, permission requests to quote from Waugh’s works and the reissue of his earlier works after his death. The correspondents include Waugh’s literary agents, A. D. Peters, and his publishers Associated Book Publishers Ltd., Chapman and Hall, Methuen & Co., and Penguin. The correspondence between Waugh and Chapman and Hall goes into great detail about the publishing of Waugh’s books and his opinion of the quality of the publication.

Other correspondents in this series include: Robert Murray Davis, Anne Adelaide Ford, Hugh Heckstall-Smith, James G. Hepburn, Marie-Jaqueline Lancaster, Sir Victor Mallet, Alfred Robert McIntyre, Howard Irwin Ross, Christopher Sykes, Arthur Waugh, Auberon Waugh, Laura Waugh and Joel Wells.

3. Ephemera (Box 9 & Oversize Folder) is arranged by subject and format. This series includes the Inter-Office correspondence of Associated Book Publishers Ltd., compact disks, clippings, photographs, including an original Carl Van Vechten photograph, printed material and original storage boxes. The Oversize Folder contains one Long-Play phonographic record.

Container List

Box 1: Manuscripts -- British - Waugh, E. (Cynic-Decline). EW 1 - 3(6)


Box 2: Manuscripts -- Waugh, E. (Extract-Warning). EW 4 - 9


[Haugh, Evelyn, 1903-1966]. [Ninety-Two Days: autograph draft:] Chapters One - Four, A.MS. (47 p.), (1933, Oct. 12), [Aldwick (Eng.)]. EW 6(1). Heavily corrected; removed from original flapcase, marked “D.C.” with Duff Cooper bookplate on inside front cover. Flapcase now removed to Ephemera box.


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**Box 3: Correspondence -- A.D. Peters-Blackwell; Chapman and Hall (Aborigines’-W. & G. Foyle).** EW 10 – 56


Ackerman, Gerald M. 1 letter to Chapman and Hall, L.S. (typewritten: 1 p.), (1963, Mar. 6), Bryn Mawr (Pa.). EW 19.


Associated Book Publishers Ltd. 1 letter to Hicks, Smith & Sons PTY, Ltd., carbon copy (L.,


Bibliothèque Cantonale et Universitaire, Lausanne. 1 letter to Chapman and Hall, L.S. (typewritten: 1 p.), (1967, Dec. 13), Lausanne (Switzerland). EW 27. Signed by: Jean-Pierre Clavel. Cataloger’s Note: the reply to this letter was made by Methuen & Co., and sent by John Cullen.


Chapman and Hall. 1 letter to Hicks, Smith & Sons PTY. Ltd., carbon copy (L., typewritten: 1 p.), (1965, July 8), London (Eng.). EW 42. Sent by: Gillon R. Aitken. Addressed to: Jill Middleton Cameron. Also enclosed: photocopy of a letter to A. D. Peters (Firm), from Chapman and Hall, Aug. 10, 1965 (1 p.).


Chapman and Hall. 1 letter to Oliver & Boyd Ltd., carbon copy (L., typewritten: 1 p.), (1963, July 16), London (Eng.). EW 47. Addressed to: Jean Ann Anderson.


Chapman and Hall. 1 letter to Van Ditmar, Amsterdam, carbon copy (L., typewritten: 1 p.), (1961, Aug. 30), London (Eng.). EW 55.


Chapman and Hall. 1 letter to Evelyn Waugh, 1903-1966, carbon copy (L., typewritten: 1 p.),


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(1964, Oct. 30), London (Eng.). EW 106. Sent by: Gillon R. Aitken. Also enclosed:
carbon copy of memorandum sent to the Production Department, Oct. 30, 1964 (1 p.).
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Box 5: Correspondence -- Chapman and Hall (Waugh, E. 1965-1966, Mar.); Cunningham-

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Chapman and Hall. 1 letter to Western Printing Services, carbon copy (L., typewritten: 1 p.), (1964, Sep. 30), London (Eng.). EW 137.


Davis, Robert Murray. 1 letter to Chapman and Hall, L.S. (typewritten: 1 p.), (1966, Sep. 22), Santa Barbara (Calif.). EW 140. Cataloger’s Note: the reply to this letter was made by Methuen & Co., and sent by John Cullen.

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Hansen, E. H. [Mr.]. 1 letter to Chapman and Hall, A.L.S. (2 p.), (1966, Sep. 6), Colby (Isle of Man). EW 143. Also enclosed: A.N.S. from Bruce to John. Cataloger’s Note: the reply to this letter was made by Methuen & Co., and sent by John Cullen.


Hepburn, James G. 1 letter to Chapman and Hall, L.S. (typewritten: 1 p.), (1965, Apr. 10), Twickenham (Eng.). EW 147. Also enclosed: typewritten copy of two letters to be quoted (1 p.).


“Rough Synopsis No. 2” (3 p.).


Methuen & Co. 1 letter to [Mr.] E. H. Hanson, carbon copy (L., typewritten: 1 p.), (1966, Sep. 9), London (Eng.). EW 170. Sent by: John Cullen, 1909-1977. Cataloger’s Note: this letter is in reply to a letter sent to Chapman and Hall.


Smith, Alfred Edward. 1 letter to Penguin (Firm), printed form, filled in (1 p.), (1965, May 1), Bognor Regis (West Sussex, Eng.). EW 188.


Waugh, Evelyn, 1903-1966. 1 note to Chapman and Hall, A.N.S. on a postcard (1 p.), (1964,
June 20), Combe Florey (Somerset, Eng.). EW 251. Addressed to: Gillon R. Aitken.
Waugh, Evelyn, 1903-1966. 1 note to Chapman and Hall, A.N. on a postcard (1 p.), (1964, Nov. 11), Combe Florey (Somerset, Eng.). EW 266. Addressed to: Gillon R. Aitken. Also enclosed: carbon copy of memorandum sent to the Production Department, Nov. 18, 1964 (1 p.).


Box 9: Associated Book Publishers Ltd. (Inventories, Memos, Printed Material); Ephemera (CDs, Clippings, Photos, Printed Material, Storage Boxes)

1. Associated Book Publishers Ltd. Inventories of Book Stock, Bound and Unbound, (2 pieces), (1964-[1966]).
12. Ephemera: [Decline and Fall]: Original storage box and paper folder, (2 pieces), ([ca.
1928]). Note: originally contained typewritten manuscript; now cataloged separately in Manuscripts.

13. Ephemera: *Ninety-Two Days*: Original buckram flapcase, (1 piece), ([ca. 1933]). Note: originally contained autograph manuscript; now cataloged separately in Manuscripts. Flapcase with “D.C.” on front cover and Duff Cooper bookplate pasted onto inside front cover.

**Oversize Folder**


**Indexing: Subjects**


Waugh, Evelyn, 1903-1966. *The Loved One.* In Methuen & Co., letters to Hicks, Smith & Sons


**Indexing: Added Entries**


Indexing: Form and Genre Terms

Business letters
Ephemera
Letters (correspondence)
Manuscripts
Photographs

Bibliography -- Sources used to catalog the Evelyn Waugh Papers


Also online resources including: Google, Library of Congress and The Oxford Dictionary of National Biography.