

STUART WRIGHT COLLECTION

1896 – 1988

Collection Number: MSS 533

Size: .63 linear feet, 2 boxes

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Biography/History

Stuart Wright of Winston-Salem, North Carolina was on the faculty of the School of Education at Wake Forest University. He was the owner/publisher of Palaemon Press Limited, a private press that published books, pamphlets, and broadsides by, Southern authors. He was a bibliographer and collector of southern literature especially for Fugitive/Agrarian authors and their associates. This collection relates primarily to Robert Penn Warren.

Scope and Contents

The .63 linear feet collection (2 boxes) contains correspondence between Robert Penn Warren and George Core, as well as correspondence between Robert Penn Warren and Stuart Wright. There is also correspondence from Eleanor Clark to Stuart Wright. Many of the letters refer to the publishing of books, but many are personal in nature. Some of the letters are typed and some handwritten. The collection is arranged into two series, in two boxes: Series I contains 232 pieces of correspondence, eight poems, four report cards of Robert Penn Warren, and 21 envelopes; Series II contains 131 photographs (mostly of Robert Penn Warren), and 2 contact sheets with 44 images. The folders are arranged by subject and chronologically within the collection.

Series I - Box 1

Correspondence – Robert Penn Warren to George Core 35 letters/postcards, 8 poems

September 9, 1970

May 8, 1975

August 3, 1975

August 16, 1975

November 16, 1975

March 23, 1976

October 8, 1976

October 21, 1976

November 8, 1976

June 20, 1977

September 9, 1977

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August 12, 1980
October 16, 1980 – postcard
November 17, 1980
December 18, 1980

January 3, 1981
May 12, 1981 w/poem
 Convergences by Robert Penn Warren
August 14, 1981 – postcard
September 11, 1981 – postcard
December 18, 1981 – postcard

June 16, 1982
June 30, 1982
September 7, 1982

January 24, 1983 w/poems
 Personal History, by Robert Penn Warren
 Mortal Limit, by Robert Penn Warren
 Delusion?-No!, by Robert Penn Warren
 Why You Climbed Up, by Robert Penn Warren
 Problem of Autobiography, by Robert Penn Warren

Argument For Prayer, by Robert Penn Warren
March 30, 1983
August 8, 1983
September 27, 1983 w/poem
 Tulip-Tree In Bloom by Robert Penn Warren
October 11, 1983
October 19, 1983
October 31, 1983 – postcard

March 31, 1984
April 2, 1984
October 10, 1984
November 26, 1984
December 2, 1984

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Correspondence – George Core to Robert Penn Warren
19 letters

January 7, 1980
August 5, 1980
August 19, 1980
September 29, 1980
December 10, 1980

February 13, 1981
May 1, 1981
May 1, 1981
May 17, 1981

June 22, 1982
July 10, 1982
September 26, 1982

January 30, 1983
March 16, 1983
April 4, 1983
October 5, 1983
October 20, 1983

April 5, 1984
April 18, 1984

Correspondence – Robert Penn Warren to Stuart Wright
140 letters/postcards

September 2, 1977
October 2, 1977
October 14, 1977 - postcard

January 28, 1978
February 1, 1978 – postcard
February 2, 1978
February 24, 1978
March 2, 1978 - postcard
March 18, 1978 – postcard

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April 3, 1978
April 22, 1978
May 21, 1978
June 8, 1978 - postcard
June 14, 1978 – postcard
June 26, 1978
June 27, 1978
August 14, 1978
September 15, 1978
December 6, 1978 – postcard
December 14, 1978 – postcard

March 4, 1979 – postcard
April 24, 1979 – postcard
May 4, 1979
May 18, 1979 – postcard
May 28, 1979
June 5, 1979 – postcard
June 5, 1979
July 17, 1979
September 13, 1979 – postcard
September 28, 1979 - postcard
October 30, 1979
November 8, 1979

1980 – postcard
1980 – postcard
February 1, 1980 – postcard
March 11, 1980 – postcard
June 11, 1980 – postcard
July 7, 1980 - postcard
September 8, 1980
October 18, 1980
October 19, 1980 – postcard #1
October 19, 1980 – postcard #2
December 12, 1980
December 17, 1980 – postcard

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January 28, 1981
February 1, 1981
February 3, 1981
February 6, 1981
February 9, 1981
February 9, 1981
February 13, 1981
February 19, 1981
February 19, 1981
March 2, 1981
March 9, 1981 – postcard #1
March 9, 1981 – postcard #2
May 12, 1981
June 1, 1981
June 7, 1981
June 12, 1981
June 22, 1981 – postcard
July 1, 1981
July 20, 1981
September 1, 1981
September 11, 1981

February 11, 1982
March 5, 1982
March 22, 1982
July 23, 1982
July 19, 1982
September 14, 1982
November 4, 1982
November 22, 1982

January 22, 1983
February 1, 1983 – postcard
February 4, 1983 – postcard
May 25, 1983
June 4, 1983
October 5, 1983
October 6, 1983
October 20, 1983 – postcard

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January 19, 1984
January 21, 1984
February 20, 1984
February 26, 1984
March 15, 1984
June 11, 1984
August 10, 1984

April 11, 1985
June 7, 1985
June 17, 1985
June 23, 1985
September 7, 1985
September 8, 1985

January 15, 1986
January 29, 1986

January 23, 1987
February 5, 1987
February 28, 1987
February 28, 1987
March 4, 1987
March 5, 1987
March 9, 1987
March 20, 1987
June 8, 1987
June 13, 1987
June 15, 1987
June 16, 1987
June 16, 1987
June 19, 1987
June 28, 1987
June 30, 1987
July 16, 1987
July 16, 1987
July 27, 1987

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August 15, 1987
August 25, 1987
August 26, 1987
August 27, 1987
August 29, 1987
August 29, 1987
September 11, 1987
September 17, 1987
October 3, 1987
October 3, 1987
October 7, 1987
October 7, 1987
October 13, 1987
October 21, 1987
November 1987
October 5, 1987
November 7, 1987
November 16, 1987
November 18, 1987
November 20, 1987
November 30, 1987
December 26, 1987

February 9, 1988
March 18, 1988
March 25, 1988

Correspondence – Eleanor Clark to Stuart Wright
38 letters/postcards

August 14, 1978

June 23, 1979

January 12, 1980 - postcard
March 18, 1980

August 20, 1981 – postcard

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January 24, 1984
March 9, 1984
April 25, 1984
May 25, 1984
June 13, 1984 – postcard
June 26, 1984
September 4, 1984
October 1, 1984
October 10, 1984
October 15, 1984
October 21, 1984 – postcard
October 28, 1984
November 2, 1984
November 9, 1984
November 27, 1984
December 13, 1984
December 27, 1984 – postcard

January 2, 1985
January 6, 1985
January 16, 1985
April 5, 1985
April 30, 1985
May 6, 1985 - postcard
May 29, 1985 - postcard
June 7, 1985
June 30, 1985
September 17, 1985

December 29, 1986

January 9, 1987 – postcard
January 30, 1987
September 14, 1987 – postcard

September 6, 1988 – postcard

n.d.

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Report Cards – Robert Penn Warren – (4)

1913-1914

1914-1915

1918-1919

1920-1921

Envelopes – (21)

Series II - Box 1

Photographs

Robert Penn Warren

Mrs. R. F. Warren (mother)– 1896 – (1)

Robert Franklin Warren (father)- 1898 – (1)

Robert Penn Warren, as an infant with his parents – 1905 – (1)

Robert Penn Warren – [1906] – (1)

Robert Penn Warren – 1908 – (1)

Robert Penn Warren – 1912 - (2)

Robert Penn Warren – 1919 - (2)

Robert Penn Warren – 1920 – (1)

Robert Penn Warren – 1925 (Vanderbilt Senior) – (1)

Robert Penn Warren – November 1942 – (1)

Robert Penn Warren – mid-1940s
outside Scribners – (20) 3 ¾ x 4 ½ and (1) 8 x 10

Robert Penn Warren – 1945 – (8) 4 x 6 and (1) 7 ½ x 8

Robert Penn Warren – 1946-47 – (3) 8 x 10

Robert Penn Warren at Swanee – November 1974 – (1) 8x10

Robert Penn Warren and Emma ‘Cinina’ Brescia (1st wife) – [1948] – (1)

Robert Penn Warren and Eleanor Clark (2nd wife) – [1948] – (4) 8 x 10

Taormina – from Window of Salotto – 1948 – (1)

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Robert Penn Warren – August 1949 – (1)

Robert Penn Warren – at Yale – [1940s] – (1)

Robert Penn Warren w/Thomas Berger and Quasimodo – [1950s] – (1)

Robert Penn Warren w/Eleanor Clark and Daughter Rosanna – [1956] – (1)

Robert Penn Warren – May 8, 1959 – (5)

Robert Penn Warren at Oxford, Mississippi – April 24, 1965 – (1) - color

Robert Penn Warren – in Japan – [1960s] – (4)

Robert Penn Warren, receiving award from President Carter – June 9, 1980
(1) 8x10, color

Robert Penn Warren – 1982 – (1)

Robert Penn Warren – [1950s] – (2) 7 ½ x 9 ¼

Robert Penn Warren – [1950s] - (11) 8x10

Robert Penn Warren – [1970s] – (7) w/one color

Robert Penn Warren – [1980s] – (8)

Robert Penn Warren, at unidentified event – n.d. – (1)

Robert Penn Warren, at unidentified event – n.d. - (8) 8 x 10

Agrarian Reunion

1980 – (1)

Fugitive Reunion

May 5, 1956 – (3)

Fugitive Reunion Dinner

1956 – (1)

Poetry Festival

1961 – (2)

Brother to Dragons – Production Photographs

1968 – (5)

Robert Penn Warren and Director Adrian Hall – 1968 – (1) 8 x 10

Ronald Frazier and William Cain

as Ishom and Lilburn Lewis – 1968 – (1) 8 x 10

William Cain as Lilburn Lewis and Marguerite Lenert

as Lucy Lewis – 1968 – (1) 8 x 10

Richard Kneeland as Thomas Jefferson – 1968 – (1) 8 x 10

Richard Kneeland as Thomas Jefferson, Marguerite Lenert as

Lucy Lewis, William Cain as Lilburn Lewis – 1968 – (1) 8 x 10

Eleanor Clark

Receiving award for Robert Penn Warren

[1980s] – (1)

Denis Devlin

(1) - 8 x 10, black and white, etching

(1) - 7 x 9 ¼, black and white, portrait – 1955

Randall Jarrell

[1961] – (1)

Alberto Moravia

[1950s] – (1)

Katherine Anne Porter – University of Maryland

Plaque for Katherine Anne Porter Room at the

University of Maryland – May 15, 1968 – (1) 8 x 10

Katherine Anne Porter with bouquet of flowers – 1968 – (1) 8 x 10

Katherine Anne Porter seated on stage w/participants – 1968 – (1) 8 x 10

Katherine Anne Porter being escorted around room – 1968 – (1) 8 x 10

Visitors to Katherine Anne Porter Room – 1968 – (1) 8 x 10

John Crowe Ransom

[1947] – (1)

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Unidentified - Individuals

n.d. – (4)

Contact Sheets

[1980s] – (2) – 44 images

Negatives