

Archibald MacLeish

A Register of His Papers in the Library of Congress

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Collection Summary

Title: Papers of Archibald MacLeish

Span Dates: 1907-1981

Bulk Dates: (bulk 1925-1970)

ID No.: MSS30932

Creator: MacLeish, Archibald, 1892-

Extent: 20,000 items; 61 containers plus 1 oversize; 25 linear feet

Language: Collection material in English

Repository: Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Abstract: Poet, playwright, government official, and Librarian of Congress. Papers include correspondence reflecting Archibald MacLeish's relations with friends, literary colleagues, and government associates; notebooks (1919-1940s) containing drafts of poetry and prose; ms. drafts of plays, speeches and radio broadcasts, and speeches written for Franklin D. Roosevelt, Edward R. Stettinius, and Harry S. Truman; notes and ms. for classroom lectures on modern poetry given by MacLeish at Harvard University (1949-1962); and other papers.

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

Names:

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Bliven, Bruce, 1889-1977--Correspondence

Boyd, Julian P. (Julian Parks), 1903- --Correspondence

Boyle, Kay, 1902- --Correspondence

Bundy, McGeorge--Correspondence

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Canfield, Cass, 1897- --Correspondence

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Colum, Padraic, 1881-1972--Correspondence

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Davenport, Russell Wheeler, 1899-1954--Correspondence

Donovan, William J. (William Joseph), 1883-1959--Correspondence

Dos Passos, John, 1896-1970--Correspondence

Duell, Charles H. (Charles Halliwell), 1905-1970--Correspondence

Dunn, J. C. (James Churchill), 1871-1955--Correspondence

Early, Stephen T. (Stephen Tyree), 1889-1951--Correspondence

Evans, Luther Harris, 1902- --Correspondence

Fadiman, Clifton, 1904- --Correspondence

Feller, A. H. (Abraham Howard), 1904- --Correspondence

Frankfurter, Felix, 1882-1965--Correspondence

Grew, Joseph C. (Joseph Clark), 1880-1965--Correspondence

Hanson, Haldore E., 1912- --Correspondence

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Subjects:

Fortune

American literature

American periodicals

Authors, American--Europe

Authors--Political and social views
Poetry, Modern
World War, 1939-1945--United States

Occupations:

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Provenance:

The papers of Archibald MacLeish (1892-1982), poet, playwright, government official, and Librarian of Congress, were given to the Library of Congress from 1939 to 1970 by MacLeish, who also bequeathed a subsequent series of deposits, 1970-1977, to the Library in 1982. The Library received additional material, 1982-1995, through gifts, transfers, deposit, and purchases from various sources, including material formerly held by MacLeish's estate.

Processing History:

The Archibald MacLeish papers were arranged and described in 1962; additional material was incorporated into the collection in 1983, 1989, and 1997. The Archibald MacLeish Papers are described in *Library of Congress Acquisitions: Manuscript Division, 1982*, p. 29.

Transfers:

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Biographical Note

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>
1892, May 7	Born, Glencoe, Ill.
1915	A.B., Yale University, New Haven, Conn.
1916	Married Ada Hitchcock
1917-1919	Served in United States Army
1919	LL.B., Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.
1920-1923	Member of Boston, Mass., law firm, Choate, Hall and Stewart
1923-1928	Moved to Paris, France, devoting time to travel and literature

1929-1938	Editor, <i>Fortune</i> magazine
1932	Pulitzer Prize in poetry
1939-1944	Librarian of Congress
1941-1942	Director, Office of Facts and Figures, War Department
1942-1943	Assistant Director, Office of War Information, War Department
1944	American delegate, Conference of Allied Ministers of Education, London, England
1944-1945	Assistant secretary of state for cultural affairs
1945	Chairman, American delegation to London conference to draft constitution for UNESCO Participated in drafting of United Nations charter at the San Francisco Conference
1946	Chairman, American delegation to the First General Conference of UNESCO, Paris, France First American member, executive council of UNESCO
1949-1962	Boylston Professor of Rhetoric and Oratory, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.
1953	Pulitzer Prize in poetry Bollingen Prize in poetry National Book Award in poetry
1953-1956	President, American Academy of Arts and Letters
1959	Pulitzer Prize in drama
1963-1967	Simpson lecturer, Amherst College, Amherst, Mass.
1977	Presidential Medal of Freedom
1978	National Medal for literature
1982, April 20	Died, Boston, Mass.

Scope and Content Note

The papers of Archibald MacLeish cover the period from 1907 to 1981, with the bulk of the material dated between 1925 and 1970. Although MacLeish gave most of his literary manuscripts to Yale University, the Library of Congress's collection is particularly rich in its assemblage of correspondence reflecting MacLeish's relationships with personal friends, literary colleagues, and government associates and in its holdings of MacLeish's notebooks containing the origins of some of his greatest poems. The papers also include notes, worksheets, and manuscript drafts which detail the development of several of MacLeish's plays as well as document the political and moral convictions which motivated the many speeches and radio broadcasts he made both before and during World War II. Notes and manuscripts also exist for a series of classroom lectures on the form and condition of modern poetry conducted by MacLeish while serving as Boylston Professor of Rhetoric and Oratory at Harvard University from 1949 to 1962.

Few items remain for the period prior to 1923 when MacLeish left the Boston law firm where he was employed to live in Europe, devoting his time to reading, travel, and writing poetry. The earliest material in the [Correspondence](#) series is that between MacLeish and his father, Andrew, while MacLeish was a student at Hotchkiss School and Yale University. There are also several letters from MacLeish's brother, Kenneth, whose death in action during World War I greatly affected the poet. Of additional interest are letters from personal friends, such as Robert Newton Linscott, editor at Houghton Mifflin Company, and Charles Rumford Walker, which reflect some of the personal and artistic struggles MacLeish encountered during his years abroad.

MacLeish was one of a number of American literary expatriates living in Europe between the wars, enjoying the advantages of a favorable monetary exchange rate and the camaraderie of sympathetic fellow artists and writers. Many of the friendships which MacLeish made during the 1920's continued through later years, and the [Correspondence](#) series contains substantive letters from Kay Boyle, Ernest Hemingway, Gerald and Sara Murphy, and Ezra Pound. Incoming letters are also included in the [Subject File](#) from those who, along with MacLeish, advocated the release of Pound from St. Elizabeth's Hospital, the mental institution in Washington, D.C., where the poet had been confined after he was declared incompetent to stand trial for treason at the end of World War II. Other writers, artists, and scholars with whom MacLeish corresponded include Julian P. Boyd, John Ciardi, James Bryant Conant, Mary and Padraic Colum, Malcolm Cowley, John Dos Passos, Roy Harris, Thomas Mann, Lewis Mumford, Harold George Nicolson, Saint-John Perse, Carl Sandburg, Robert E. Sherwood, Stephen Spender, John Steinbeck, Allen Tate, Louis Untermeyer, Mark Van Doren, and Alexander Woollcott.

During the 1930's MacLeish became increasingly politicized and was outspoken in support of an American commitment to protect the liberal democratic principles which he felt were being threatened by the rise of fascism in Europe. Several of his verse plays for radio, such as *Air Raid* (1938), *The American Story* (1944), and *The Fall of the City* (1937), illustrate these national or democratic themes. Material for these dramatic voice productions is contained in the [Literary File](#) series.

MacLeish more fully explicated his political philosophy in a series of prose pieces written for various journals and magazines throughout the 1930s and 1940s as well as in the many radio broadcasts and speeches he made during the same period. Notes and manuscript drafts for the writings are contained in the [Literary File](#), while similar documents for the broadcasts and speeches are located in the [Speeches and Lectures File](#). The latter series also contains copies and drafts for speeches which MacLeish prepared for Franklin D. Roosevelt, Edward R. Stettinius, Harry S. Truman, and other government officials.

From 1929 to 1938 MacLeish worked as a writer and editor for *Fortune* magazine, accepting the position from Henry Robinson Luce on the understanding that his commitment to the new publishing venture would be limited to the extent that, having earned enough money to satisfy his needs, MacLeish could return whenever he wished to his newly-purchased farm in Conway, Massachusetts, to work on his own writing. The [Correspondence](#) series contains a separate file for *Fortune* magazine and MacLeish's correspondence with Henry Robinson Luce. Other colleagues and friends from the field of publishing with whom MacLeish corresponded include Bruce Bliven, Cass Canfield, Russell Wheeler Davenport, Charles H. Duell, Clifton Fadiman, John Farrar, Ralph Ingersoll, Freda Kirchwey, Robert A. Lovett, Eugene Meyer, Charles A. Pearce, Selden Rodman, and Edward Weeks.

In 1939, President Franklin D. Roosevelt persuaded a reluctant MacLeish to accept what proved to be a controversial appointment as the ninth Librarian of Congress. MacLeish implemented a thorough reorganization of the Library's administrative offices, published the *Quarterly Journal of the Library of Congress*, and established the Library's series of poetry readings. Because of his managerial skills and political involvement, MacLeish was also asked to serve, concurrent with his Library position, as director of the Office of Facts and Figures and assistant director of the Office of War Information from 1941 to 1944. In 1944, after his resignation from the Library, MacLeish was appointed assistant secretary of state for cultural affairs, in which capacity he helped plan the establishment of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization. Although the [Subject File](#) contains headings for these government agencies, none of the files contains extensive amounts of material. Official documents produced by MacLeish in his capacity as public servant are more likely to be represented in the central files or archival records of the respective federal agency.

The [Correspondence](#) series contains correspondence and copies of memoranda with many of MacLeish's associates, as well as with public figures, both in and out of government, whom MacLeish came to know during the war years. Correspondents of interest include Dean Acheson, Francis Biddle, McGeorge Bundy, James Francis Byrnes, Benjamin V. Cohen, William J. Donovan, J. C. Dunn, Stephen T. Early, Luther Harris Evans, A. H. Feller, Felix Frankfurter, Joseph C. Grew, Haldore E. Hanson, Harry Lloyd Hopkins, Cordell Hull, Harold L. Ickes, R. Keith Kane, Robert E. Kintner, Muna Lee, John Jay McCloy, David C. Mearns, Henry Morgenthau, Eleanor Roosevelt, Franklin D. Roosevelt, Samuel Irving Rosenman, Edward R.

Stettinius, Adlai E. Stevenson, Henry Lewis Stimson, Arthur Sweetser, Charles A. Thomson, Harry S. Truman, Henry Agard Wallace, James P. Warburg, and Sumner Welles.

The [Literary File](#) contains an extensive set of notes for a series of classroom lectures which MacLeish delivered at Harvard University from 1949 to 1962. The purpose of these lectures was to provide a theoretical and historical framework within which a student could analyze the structure of modern poetry. MacLeish emphasized the influence of certain poets as pivotal to the development of modern poetry, and the notes he kept are quite thorough, providing insight into his teaching techniques.

With time afforded him after his retirement from public service, MacLeish published several books of poetry, produced dramatic pieces for various media, and wrote prose works, including social and political commentary. The [Literary File](#) contains correspondence and manuscript material for collections of poems such as *Actfive* (1948) and *New and Collected Poems, 1917-1976* (1976). Although files related to the individual poems listed in this series include some worthwhile records, many contain material of little value, in some cases nothing more than copies of poems typewritten by MacLeish.

MacLeish continued to produce verse plays for stage, radio, and television, and the [Literary File](#) contains important material relating to these dramatic productions. Manuscript drafts and worksheets are contained in the collection for MacLeish's Pulitzer Prize-winning play, *J.B.* (1958). Similar material, including correspondence, is also included for other dramas such as *An Evening's Journey to Conway, Massachusetts* (1967), *The Great American Fourth of July Parade* (1975), *Herakles* (1967), *Scratch* (1971), *This Music Crept By Me Upon the Waters* (1953), and *The Trojan Horse* (1952). The disorganized state of many of the manuscripts and worksheets contained throughout the collection is the result of MacLeish's work habits. Describing the state of disarray of a draft for one of his plays, MacLeish wrote that it "can't be put together because I work like the crab retreating ten steps to go forward two and thus getting nowhere." [\(1\)](#)

The greatest literary treasure of the collection is a set of notebooks kept by MacLeish from 1919 through the 1940s located in the [Literary File](#). Containing drafts of much of his poetry and prose, the notebooks help trace the creation and development of some of MacLeish's finest work. They also include notes about his travels and readings and his reflections about other writers and their conversations on literature.

A notebook kept by MacLeish in Paris for the years 1924-25 contains drafts and trial lines for poems later published in *Streets in the Moon* (1926), including "Ars Poetica," and a partial version of the verse play, *The Pot of Earth* (1925). Additional works by MacLeish represented in other notebooks include *The Happy Marriage* (1924), *The Hamlet of A. MacLeish* (1928), *New Found Land* (1930), *Conquistador* (1932), *Frescoes for Mr. Rockefeller's City* (1933), *Panic* (1935), *Public Speech* (1936), *The Fall of the City* (1937), *America Was Promises* (1939), and *Actfive* (1948).

(1) [J.B. drafts and worksheets, Box 27](#)

Organization of the Papers

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Arranged alphabetically by correspondent and chronologically therein.

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Literary File, 1919-1978, n.d.

Handwritten and typewritten drafts, correspondence, trial lines, printed copies, notes and worksheets, outlines, notebooks, proofs, and miscellaneous items relating to plays, poetry, prose pieces, screenplays and scripts, and books.

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Arranged alphabetically by subject.

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Arranged alphabetically by type of material.

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	Hemingway, Pauline, 1942
	Henderson, Leon, 1934, 1941
	Herter, Christian A., 1942-44
	Hill, Edwin C., 1944
	Hill, Lister, 1942-45
	Hindemith, Paul and Gertrude, 1952, n.d.
	Hiss, Alger, 1945
	Hoagland, Edward, 1966-74
	Hobson, Laura, 1939-42
	Hodgins, Eric, 1936-40
BOX 11	Holmes, Julius C., 1945
	Hoover, John Edgar, 1942-44
	Hopkins, Harry Lloyd, 1937-44
	Hoppenot, Henri, 1944
	Houghton, Arthur, 1940-44
	Houseman, John, 1937
	Hovde, Bryn, 1945
	Howe, Quincy, 1945
	Hughes, Charles Evans, 1940
	Hull, Cordell, 1941-44

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Humphrey, Hubert H., 1967-68
Huse, Robert, 1941-43
Hutchins, Robert W., 1945-46
Huxley, Julian, 1956
"I" miscellaneous, 1940-69, n.d.
Ickes, Harold L., 1940-46
Ingersoll, Ralph, 1939-45
Inman, Samuel Guy, 1944
"J" miscellaneous, 1920-73, n.d.
 (2 folders)
Jackson, C. D., 1940-53
Jackson, Charles, 1943
Jackson, Robert H., 1940-41
Johnson, Louis, 1944
Johnson, Lyndon B., 1945, 1967, n.d.
Jones, Howard Mumford, 1944-45
Jones, Jesse H., 1944
"K" miscellaneous, 1936-69, n.d.
 "Ka-Kor"
 (3 folders)
 "Kos-Ky"
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Kane, R. Keith, 1941-44
Kazan, Elia, 1963, n.d.
Kazin, Alfred, 1956
Kefauver, Estes, 1941-45
Keller, Kent E., 1940
Kennedy, John F., 1961
Kent, Frank, 1941-44
Keynes, Maynard, 1941-44
Kimball, Fiske, 1945
Kintner, Robert E., 1941-44
Kirchwey, Freda, 1940-45
Kirk, Alan G., 1945
Kirstein, Lincoln, 1939-45
Kissinger, Henry A., n.d.
Kittredge, Frank A., 1945
Knopf, Alfred, 1945, 1977
Knox, Frank, 1941-42
Koussevitzky, Serge, 1944-48
Krock, Arthur, 1945, 1968
Kuniyoshi, Yasuo, 1942-43
"L" miscellaneous, 1937-69, n.d.
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Laderman, Ezra, 1968
La Farge, Christopher, 1944
La Farge, Oliver, 1942

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	La Guardia, Fiorello H., 1941-42
	Lamont, Thomas W., 1942-44, 1963
BOX 13	Land, Emory S., 1941-42
	Landis, James M., 1940-42
	Lanux, Pierre de, 1939-42
	Larsen, Roy E., 1940
	Larsson, R. E. F., 1940
	Laski, Harold J., 1939, 1949
	Laughlin, Henry A., 1944
	Laughlin, James, 1963-68
	Lee, Muna, 1943-46, n.d.
	(2 folders)
	Léger, Alexis Saint-Léger (Saint-John Perse), 1940-79
	Leger, Fernand, 1941
	LeHand, Marguerite, 1939-41
	Leigh, Robert, 1945-46
	Leland, Waldo, 1944-45
	Lerner, Max, 1940-45
	Levitas, S. M., 1945
	Lewis, Wilmarth, 1940-44
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	Lilienthal, David E., 1942, 1973-75, n.d.
	Linscott, Robert Newton, 1924-62
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	Livingston, Alexander, 1945
	Lomax, Alan, 1941
	Lorraine, Marianne, 1941-42
	Lovett, Robert A., 1935-45
	Lowe, E. A., 1945
	Lowell, Robert, 1963-66
	Luce, Clare Boothe, 1942-45
	Luce, Henry Robinson, 1939-65
	Lydenberg, Harry M., 1941-45
	Lyons, Louis, 1940-46, 1960
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	MacDowell, Mrs. Edward, 1944
	MacKaye, Percy, 1939-41
	MacLeish, Ada Hitchcock (wife), n.d.
	MacLeish, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew (mother and father), 1907-45, n.d.
	MacLeish, Bruce, 1945
	MacLeish, Kenneth (brother), 1917, n.d.
	MacLeish, Kenneth (son) and Carolyn, 1945, 1963-64, n.d.

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MacLeish, Mary Hillard (aunt), 1945
McAdoo, Eleanor Wilson, 1944
McCloy, John Jay, 1941-45
McCord, David, 1940-45
McDermott, Michael J., 1945
McGovern, George, 1968-72
McMahon, Brien, 1945
McNutt, Paul V., 1942-45
Makins, Roger, 1945
Malamud, Bernard, 1944
Malone, Dumas, 1939
Malraux, André, 1940
Mann, Klaus, 1944
Mann, Thomas, 1940-49
Mansbridge, F. Ronald, 1942
Maritain, Jacques, 1940-45
Markel, Lester, 1944
Marshall, George C., 1944-48, 1956
Massey, Raymond, 1941-45
Mathiessen, F. O., n.d.
Maugham, W. Somerset, 1945
Maverick, Maury, 1945
Mearns, David C., 1943-76
Mellett, Lowell, 1940-45
Menefee, Selden, 1945
Meredith, Burgess, 1941-42
Meredith, William M., 1943-44, 1969, 1975
Merriam, Charles E., 1944
Merz, Charles, 1939-45
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Meyer, Agnes, 1940-45
Meyer, Cord, 1945
Meyer, Eugene, 1941-45
Millis, Walter, 1941-42
Mills, Saul, 1940
Mizener, Arthur, 1937
Moore, Douglas, 1942-44, n.d.
Moore, Marianne, 1950-62
Moore, Merrill, 1932-42, 1954
Morgenstierne, Wilhelm Munte de, 1945
Morgenthau, Henry, 1941-45
Morison, Samuel Eliot, 1942, 1963-75
Morrison, Theodore, 1940
Moss, Arnold, 1945
Mowrer, Edgar A., 1942-45
Mowrer, Paul Scott, 1942-43, 1961

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- Muir, Willa, 1956-69
Mumford, L. Quincy, 1944
Mumford, Lewis, 1944-45, 1960, 1967
Mundt, Karl E., 1945
Murphy, Gerald and Sara, 1931-64
Murphy, Robert, 1945
Murray, James E., 1946
Myers, Howard, 1945-46
Myers, Richard E., 1940-45
“N” miscellaneous, 1937-68, n.d.
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Nabokoff, Nicholas, 1939-44
Nabokov, Vladimir, 1951
Nehru, Jawaharlal, 1962
Nelson, Donald, 1941-42
Neuberger, Richard L., 1942-46
Nicolson, Harold George, 1935-38, n.d.
Niebuhr, Reinhold, 1945-46, 1958
Nixon, Richard, 1969
Norton, W. W., 1943-45
BOX 17 “O” miscellaneous, 1940-72, n.d.
(2 folders)
Odets, Clifford, 1944
O'Donnell, John, 1942
Oppenheimer, J. Robert, n.d.
Osborn, Frederick H., 1942-45
Owen, Robert L., 1945
“P” miscellaneous, 1934-81, n.d.
(5 folders)
Parsons, Geoffrey, 1943-44
Pasvolsky, Leo, 1945
Paul, Elliot, 1940
Pearce, Charles A., 1939-45
Pearson, Drew, 1944
Pearson, Norman H., 1937
Peattie, Margaret, 1943-45
Peattie, Roderick, 1944-45
Pegler, Westbrook, 1942
Peirce, Waldo, 1945
Pepper, Claude, 1941-45
Perkins, Frances, 1942-44
BOX 18 Perkins, Maxwell E., 1931, 1945
Perkins, Milo, 1942-45
Perry, Ralph Barton, 1942-45
Perse, Saint-John See Alexis Saint-Léger Léger
Peyre, Henri M., 1944
Phelps, William Lyon, 1940-42

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	Phillips, William, 1941
	Pinchot, Mr. and Mrs. Gifford, 1941-42
	Poore, Charles, 1941-45
	Popov, Igor, 1967-74
	Porter, Katherine Anne, 1949
	Porter, Paul, 1944
	Pottle, Frederick A., 1942-44
	Pound, Dorothy, 1945, 1968
	Pound, Ezra, 1926-67, n.d. (3 folders)
	Price, Byron, 1941-45
	Princeton University, Princeton, N.J., 1936-37
	Pringle, Henry F., 1941-44
	Pusey, Nathan M., 1958-63, n.d.
	Putnam, Herbert, 1943
	Putnam, James, 1940
	“Q” miscellaneous, 1943-45
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BOX 19	Rachwitz, Mary de, 1959-75
	Rayburn, Sam, 1942
	Reid, Ogden and Helen, 1941-45
	Reston, James, 1942-45, 1969, n.d.
	Reynolds, Quentin, 1942
	Rinehart, Stanley M., Jr., 1939-44
	Roberts, Owen J., 1945
	Robinson, Edwin Arlington, 1934
	Rockefeller, David, 1968
	Rockefeller, Nelson A., 1942-45
	Rodman, Selden, 1940-45
	Rohde, Ruth Bryan, 1945
	Roosevelt, Eleanor, 1941-49
	Roosevelt, Franklin D., 1938-45
	Roosevelt, James, 1941
	Roosevelt, Nicholas, 1944
	Roosevelt, Theodore, Jr., 1940
	Root, Oren, Jr., 1941
	Roper, Elmo, 1941-45
	Rosenbach, A. S. W., 1942-44
	Rosenberg, Anna M., 1941-42
	Rosenman, Samuel Irving, 1941-45
	Rosenwald, Lessing J., 1942-45
	Ross, Charles, 1945
	Ross, Harold W., 1945
	Rosten, Leo, 1942-45
	Rothchild, Edward S., 1941-42

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	Rowe, James H., 1941-42
	Rowe, L. S., 1944-45
	Ruml, Beardsley, 1944-46
	Rusk, Dean, 1961
	“S” miscellaneous, 1932-78, n.d.
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BOX 20	“Sl-Sz”
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	Sabath, A. J., 1941-42
	Salamanca, Lucy, 1942-45
	Saltonstall, Leverett, 1942-49
	Sandburg, Carl, 1932-52
	Santillana, Dorothy and Giorgio de, 1961-75, n.d.
	Saroyan, William, 1940
	Sarton, May, 1945, 1963-68, n.d.
	Sawyer, Charles, 1945
	Sayre, Francis B., 1942-43
	Schlesinger, Arthur M. (1888-1965), 1943
	Schlesinger, Arthur, Jr. (b. 1917), 1966, 1973
	Schuman, William, 1943, 1975-77
	Schuster, M. Lincoln, 1942
	Seferis, George, 1958-65, n.d.
	Seldes, Gilbert, 1941-42
	Selznick, David O., 1941-45
	Serkin, Rudolf, 1969, n.d.
	Seymour, Charles, 1939-41
	Shapely, Harlow, 1942-46
	Shaw, C. Howland, 1944
	Sherwood, Robert E., 1940-45, 1954
	Shiple, Ruth B., 1944-45
	Shirer, William L., 1944-45
	Shotwell, James, 1943-45
	Shumlin, Herman, 1940-42
	Shuster, George N., 1941-45
	Simanov, Constantine, 1961
	Sinclair, Upton, 1941-42
	Sioussatt, St. George L., 1944
	Skouras, Spyros P., 1944-45
	Sloan, Samuel, 1939-44
BOX 21	Smathers, William H., 1942
	Smith, H. Alexander, 1945
	Smith, Harold, 1941-45
	Soong, T. V., 1940-41
	Spender, Stephen, 1962, n.d.
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Steinbeck, John, 1940-45
Stettinius, Edward R., 1942-49
Stevens, Wallace, 1951
Stevenson, Adlai E. (1900-65), 1942-69
Stevenson, Adlai E., Jr. (b. 1930), 1975
Stewart, Donald Ogden, 1942-43
Stewart, James, 1945
Stimson, Henry Lewis, 1942-48
Stokowski, Leopold, 1940
Stout, Rex, 1944
Stowe, Lyman Beecher, 1941-42
Street, Julian, 1941-45
Studebaker, John, 1941-44
Sullivan, Mark, 1945
Sulzberger, Arthur Hays, 1945
Sweetser, Arthur, 1942-45
Swing, Raymond, 1941-45
Swope, Herbert Bayard, 1941-45
"T" miscellaneous, 1939-77, n.d.
(4 folders)
Taft, Charles P., 1942-45
Taft, Robert A. (1889-1953), 1942-44
Tate, Allen, 1941-52, 1961
Taylor, Deems, 1941-44
Taylor, Francis, 1944
Thompson, Dorothy, 1940-46
Thompson, Malvina C., 1942-45
Thomson, Charles A., 1940-46
Tinker, Chauncey B., 1943-45
Tolstoy, Ilia, 1942
Torre, Guillermo de, 1941
Trammell, Niles, 1941-45
Trout, Robert, 1937
Truman, Harry S., 1945-51
Tuchman, Barbara W., 1968, 1979
Tully, Grace, 1941-45
Turner, Ralph E., 1944
Tuttle, Emerson, 1939-45
Tydings, Millard E., 1941-42
"U" miscellaneous, 1941-46, n.d.
Udall, Stewart L., n.d.
Underwood, Pierson, 1940
Untermeyer, Louis, 1935-44, 1961
Utley, Clifton, 1945

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- “V” miscellaneous, 1937-76, n.d.
(2 folders)
Vandenberg, Arthur H., 1945
Van Doren, Charles, 1955-59, 1975
Van Doren, Irita, 1944-45
Van Doren, Mark, 1940-71, n.d.
van Loon, Henrik Willem, 1939-42
Voorhis, Jerry, 1942-45
“W” miscellaneous, 1937-77, n.d.
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- Wagner, Robert R., 1942-45
Walker, Charles Rumford, 1923-24, 1941, 1980, n.d.
Walker, Frank, 1942
Walker, John, 1944
Wallace, Henry Agard, 1941-45
Wallgren, Mon C., 1941-42
Wanger, Walter, 1940-45
Warburg, James P., 1941-45
Ward, Barbara, 1955, 1966
Warren, Robert Penn, 1945
Watson, Edwin M., 1942-43
Watson, Thomas J., 1944-45
Weeks, Edward, 1939-45
Weill, Kurt, 1942
Weiss, Louis S., 1939-45
Welles, Orson, 1944
Welles, Sumner, 1941-45
West, James E., 1942
Wheeler, Monroe, 1944-45
Wheelock, John Hall, 1945
White, Walter, 1942
White, William Allen, 1940
Wickard, Claude R., 1942
Wiese, Otis, 1939-40
Wilder, Thornton, 1942-51, n.d.
Wilkins, Roy, 1942
Williams, Eric, 1963, n.d.
Williams, Oscar, 1943-45
Williams, Wheeler, 1942
Williams, William Carlos, 1939-40, 1951
Willkie, Wendell L., 1942-44
Winant, John G., 1942-45
Winnick, Roy H., 1979, n.d.
Woollcott, Alexander, 1935-42
Wright, Frank Lloyd, 1944
Wyzanski, Charles E., Jr., 1952-76, n.d.

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“Y” miscellaneous, 1937-74, n.d.
Yale University, New Haven, Conn., 1934-44
“Z” miscellaneous, 1940-45
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Literary File, 1919-1978, n.d.

Handwritten and typewritten drafts, correspondence, trial lines, printed copies, notes and worksheets, outlines, notebooks, proofs, and miscellaneous items relating to plays, poetry, prose pieces, screenplays and scripts, and books.
Arranged by type of material and alphabetically by title therein, except for the notebooks, which are arranged chronologically.

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Books

The American Cause, 1941
"Changes in the Weather," proposed collection of essays
"Paris Years," proposed autobiography
Poetry and Opinion, 1950
Selections for an anthology

Drama

Aid Raid, verse play for radio, 1938
The American Story, verse play for radio, 1944

Correspondence

Episodes

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Miscellany

An Evening's Journey to Conway, Massachusetts, 1967
Conquistador, verse play for radio, adapted by D. G. Bridson, 1952
The Fall of the City, verse play for radio, 1937

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BOX 26

Translations, French and German

The Great American Fourth of July Parade, verse play for radio, 1975
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"Henry," review for music

Herakles, 1967

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Manuscript and typescript drafts

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Worksheets

J.B., 1958

Drafts and worksheets

(2 folders)

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Motion picture proposal

Printed copy

Panic: A Play in Verse, 1935

	<p><i>Scratch</i>, 1971</p> <p>Correspondence</p> <p>Galley proof</p> <p>Manuscript and typescript drafts</p> <p> Master copies</p> <p> (2 folders)</p>
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BOX 30	<p> (5 folders)</p> <p>Miscellany</p> <p>Notes and worksheets</p>
BOX 31	<p>Outlines</p> <p>Set designs</p> <p><i>The Secret of Freedom</i>, play for television, 1959</p> <p><i>The States Talking</i>, verse play for radio, 1941</p> <p><i>This Music Crept By Me Upon the Waters</i>, 1953</p> <p><i>The Trojan Horse</i>, verse play for radio, 1952</p> <p><i>Union Pacific</i>, ballet, produced 1934</p> <p>Untitled plays and fragments</p> <p>Notebooks</p>
BOX 32	<p>1919-1920's (Cambridge and Paris notebooks), notes and drafts of poems published in <i>The Happy Marriage</i> (1924) and material for <i>Einstein</i> (1929)</p> <p>1924-25 (Paris notebook), notes and drafts of poems for <i>Streets of the Moon</i> (1926), including "Ars Poetica," "The Silent Slain," "The Immortal Helix," and "1892-19__" and material for <i>The Pot of Earth</i> (1925)</p> <p>1926, notes and drafts for <i>The Hamlet of A. MacLeish</i> (1928) (3 vols.) and material for <i>New Found Land</i> (1930)</p> <p>1926-1930's (Persia notebook) trial lines and drafts, including some for <i>New Found Land</i></p> <p>1928-1930's, Notes and drafts, including <i>Conquistador</i> (1932), <i>Public Speech</i> (1936), and <i>Frescoes for Mr. Rockefeller's City</i> (1933)</p> <p>1929, Notes during Mexican trip for <i>Conquistador</i>.</p> <p>Late 1920's, Trial lines and notes, including <i>Panic</i> (1935), <i>Public Speech</i>, and "The Woman on the Stair"</p>
BOX 33	<p>1933, Notes and drafts, including <i>Frescoes for Mr. Rockefeller's City</i> (1933)</p> <p>Late 1930's-late 1940's, Drafts and trial lines, including <i>America Was Promises</i> (1939) and <i>Actfive</i> (1948)</p> <p>1948 (?), Notes and drafts</p> <p>Undated, Drafts of plays, including <i>The Fall of the City</i></p> <p>Poetry</p> <p>Collections and selections</p> <p> <i>Actfive and Other Poems</i>, 1948</p> <p> <i>America Was Promises</i>, 1939 See also Container 43, "America Was Promises"</p> <p> <i>The Collected Poems of Archibald MacLeish</i>, 1963</p> <p> <i>New and Collected Poems, 1917-76</i>, 1976</p> <p> <i>Public Speech</i>, 1936</p> <p>Poems</p>

BOX 34

"Alien"
"Ars Poetica"
"At the Lincoln Memorial"
"At the University Memorial in the Year 1976"
"Baccalaureate"
"The Ballad of Jabez Stone"
"The Ballad of the Devil Over the Water"
"Bird Watching"
"The Black Day"
"The Blow Flies"
"Bold Venture"
"Bronze"
"The Carrion Crow"
"Celestial Politics"
"Chartres"
"Colloquy for the States"
"Conversation in a Belfry"
"Conway Burying Ground"
"Correction"
"Critics on the Lawn"
"Definitions of Old Age"
"The Deserted Island"
"Discovery of This Time"
"Dozing on the Lawn"
"The Enchantment"
"Epiepithalamion"
"Faith"
"Family Group"
"For Remembrance"
"The Free Men's Song"
"Freedom's Land" (song lyric)
"Geography of This Time"
"A Good Man in a Bad Time"
"Hands"
"The Happy Marriage"
"Hebrides"
"The Hero of Hollywood"
"Hunters"
"Hypocrites"
"Immortal Autumn"
"In and Come In"
"The Infinite Reason"
"Kenneth"
"Kinds of Fire"
"Lines for a Prologue"
"Long Hot Summer"

	"Mark Van Doren and the Brook"
	"Mayan"
	"Midsummer Dawn"
	"Nat Bacon's Bones"
	"National Security"
	"New England Weather"
	"Night Watch in the City of Boston"
	"The Old Grey Couple (1)"
	"The Old Grey Couple (2)"
	"Old Photograph"
	"Old Time Locals"
	"The Old Time White House and the Bright New Gate"
	"Omniscience"
	"Pablo Casals"
	"Perhaps I've Not Seen Shelley Plain"
	"Photograph Album"
	"Poem for a Festival of Art at the Boston Public Gardens"
	"A Poet Speaks From the Visitors' Gallery"
	"Population Explosion"
	"The Pretty Girl Ballad"
	"Private Character and Private Man"
	"Reproach to Dead Poets"
	"The Revenant"
	"Seeing"
	"The Sheep in the Ruins"
	"The Spanish Dead"
	"State Funeral: March 31, 1969"
	"TV Commercial"
	"A Talk With Laurens Hammond"
	"Three Riddles With One Answer"
	"The Thrush in the Gaelic Islands"
	"To the Tune of Walsingham"
	"Two Poems From the War"
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	"Voyage to the Moon"
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	"What Killed the Bullfinch House on Beacon Hill"
	"White-Haired Girl"
	"Years Ago"
	"You, Andrew Marvell"
	"The Young Dead Soldiers"
	Unidentified
	Printed copies
	Prose
	"About a Trespass on a Monument," <i>New York Times</i> , 7 Dec. 1958
	"The Age of Adolescence," <i>Boston Globe</i> , 19 Dec. 1973

"The Alternative," *Yale Review*, June 1955
"The American Writers and the New World," *Yale Review*, Sept. 1941
"April Elegy," *Atlantic Monthly*, June 1945
"Archibald MacLeish Answers Fifteen Vital Questions," *Look*, 14 July 1942
"The Art of the Good Neighbor," *Nation*, 10 Feb. 1940
"ASCAP and the Arts," n.d.
"The Beginning of Things," n.d.
"Books in Wartime," *New York Times*, 6 Dec. 1942
"The Conquest of America," *Atlantic Monthly*, Aug. 1949
"The Cranbrook Show," n.d.
"Declaration of Faith," 1940
"Evangelism in Verse," n.d.
"Football Piece," n.d.

Forewords

For an exhibition of photographs by Therese Bonney, 15 Nov. 1940

Book on Stephen Vincent Benét, 1978

Collection of prose pieces, 1977

"Age of Change," edited by Robert Wernick

The Estate of Poetry by Edwin Muir

Fortress of Freedom by Lucy Salamanca

Immediate Sun by Rosemary Thomas

Catalog of an exhibition by An American Group, Inc., Jan. 1943

Catalog of the Stanley Family Exhibition, Feb. 1944

"The Golden Calf," n.d.

"The Humanities and the Defense of the Republic," n.d.

"The Inevitable War," n.d.

"Instructions of the Librarian of Congress," 1 Oct. 1944

Interventions for *The Play of Herod*, 1969

Introductions

Byron Price at the Library of Congress, [May 1945?]

Book of children's stories by Muna Lee

Cultural Relations by Muna Lee

Eloges and Other Poems by Saint-John Perse

The Last Men of the Revolution by Elias B. Hillard, edited by Wendell D. Garret

Our Singing Country by Alan and John Lomax

The Year of Peril by Thomas Hart Benton, Mar. 1942

Prose

"Is Mr. Lincoln Dead?" n.d.

Jefferson (Thomas) Bicentennial, 1943

(3 folders)

"The Knowable and the Known," n.d.

"Library of Congress Employee Relations Program," *Personnel Administration*, May 1943

"Lilienthal's Atomic Energy," n.d.

"Looking Jefferson in the Eye," *New York Times*, 17 June 1973

"Memorials Are for Remembrance," *Architectural Forum*, Sept. 1944

"Mr. Nixon and the American Dream," n.d.

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- "The Next Harvard," *Atlantic Monthly*, May 1941
"A Note on Alexis Saint-Léger Léger," *Poetry*, Mar. 1942
"Notes on a Manifesto on Racial Equality," 12 Sept. 1944
"Notes on the Teaching of Writing," n.d.
"Now Let Us Address the Main Question: Bicentennial of What?" *New York Times*, 3 July 1976
On *The Irresponsibles*
On Walter Lippmann, 1977
"One American," n.d.
"The Poems of Emily Dickinson," n.d.
"Post-War Writers and Pre-War Readers," *New Republic*, 10 June 1940
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"Reflections on the Occasion of Mr. MacLeish's Return From Persia," 1926
"Return From the Excursion," n.d.
Reviews
 Out of the People by J. B. Priestly
 Pastoral by Robert Hillyer
 "The Ramparts We Watch"
"Riders on Earth Together, Brothers in Eternal Cold," *New York Times*, 25 Dec. 1968
"Santayana, the Poet," n.d.
"Silencing the Times," *New York Times*, 18 June 1971
"South America III: Chile," n.d.
"South America IV: The Argentine," n.d.
"Sweet Land of Liberty," *Collier's*, 8 July 1955
"The Swing Right," *Civil Liberties*, Feb. 1969
"The Teacher's Faith," n.d.
"The Third Anniversary," n.d.
"A Time Without a Mirror"
"To Face the Real Crisis: Man Himself," n.d.
"Topsails and Conestogas," n.d.
"Tribute to John Hall Wheelock," 26 Nov. 1978
"The Venetian Grave," *Saturday Review*, 9 Feb. 1974
"Victory Without Peace," *Saturday Review*, 9 Feb. 1946
"We Have Purpose, We All Know It," *Life*, 30 May 1960 [See also Container 45, "The National Purpose," June 1960](#)
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1960, Jan., Hall, Donald, "An Interview With Archibald MacLeish," *Horizon*

1972, Mott, Ben de, interview for *Paris Review*

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1947, 11 June, Dartmouth College, Hanover, N.H., outline for course on "Great Issues"

1952, July, Nashville, Tenn., on the teaching of poetry

1958, Oct., "Poetry and Journalism," Seymour lecture, Minneapolis, Minn.

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1967, 1 Nov., "The Teacher and the Lively Arts," Education Council for School Research and Development

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Holyoke Community College, Holyoke, Mass., seminar on the writer's art

"The Language of Poetry," paper prepared for the Columbia Conference on "The Unity of Knowledge"

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Radio and television broadcasts

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4 May, "America Was Promises," CBS broadcast [See also Container 33, America Was Promises](#)

24 Nov., "Art and Our Warring World," NBC broadcast

1941, 13 Dec., "The Bill of Rights Now," Metropolitan Opera Program

1942

14 Feb., "This Is War"

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13 June, Closed circuit broadcast on gasoline and rubber shortages

13 Sept., Intermission remarks on "CBS Summer Symphony"

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1943

21 Aug., "For This We Fight," NBC broadcast

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1962, 2 Aug., "The Dialogues of Archibald MacLeish and Mark Van Doren," CBS telecast

1976, 4 July, On the American Revolution

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1939

12 Oct., "The American Experience," dedication of the Hispanic Room in the Library of Congress

19 Oct., "Libraries in the Contemporary Crisis," Carnegie Institute, Pittsburgh, Pa.

19 Nov., Remarks at the laying of the cornerstone of the Franklin D. Roosevelt Library, Hyde Park, N.Y.

"The Freedom to End Freedom," Survey Associates

1940

Jan., "The Obligation of Libraries in a Democracy," District of Columbia Library Association

22 Feb., "The Librarian: His Name and Nature," Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Md.

9 Apr., "Writers and Scholars," American Philosophical Society

31 May, "The Librarian and the Democratic Process," American Library Association, Cincinnati, Ohio

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10 Sept., International Student Service, International House, New York, N.Y.

13 Oct., New York and Brooklyn Federation of Jewish Charities, Brooklyn, N.Y. [See Container 24, *The American Cause*](#)

23 Oct., Forum of the *New York Herald Tribune* [See Container 24, *The American Cause*](#)

19 Nov., "The Duty of Freedom," Printing House Craftsmen

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12 Feb., "Lincoln in This Day," Canadian Club, Ottawa, Canada

3 Apr., "New Land: New World," Common Council for American Unity

7 June, "To the Class of '41," Commencement address, Union College, Schenectady, N.Y.

11 June, "Prophets of Doom," Commencement address, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Penn.

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19 June, Stanford University, Stanford, Calif.

10 Sept., Message to P.E.N. Club, London, England

10 Sept., U.S. Committee for the Care of European Children

20 Nov., Council for Democracy, Boston, Mass.

2 Dec., "A Superstition Is Destroyed," dinner in honor of Edward R. Murrow

15 Dec., Dedication of Thomas Jefferson Room in the Library of Congress

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- 1942
- 11 Feb., Urban League
 - 13 Mar., Acceptance of death mask of Lord Lothian for the Library of Congress
 - 19 Mar., Freedom House, New York, N.Y., address
 - 14 Apr., Russian War Relief luncheon, New York
 - 17 Apr., American Society of Newspaper Editors, New York, N.Y.
 - 20 Apr., "The Psychological Front," Associated Press, New York, N.Y.
 - 6 May, American Booksellers Association, New York, N.Y.
 - 11 May, "What Government Asks of Broadcasters," National Association of Broadcasters, Cleveland, Ohio
 - May, "The Image of Victory," Commencement address, Williams College, Williamstown, Mass.
 - 17 June, National Retail Dry Goods Association, Chicago, Ill.
 - 26 June, "Toward an Intellectual Offensive," American Library Association, Milwaukee, Wisc.
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- 30 July, "American Opinion and the War," Cambridge University, Cambridge, England
 - 15 Oct., Pour La Victorie dinner, New York, N.Y.
 - 22 Oct., Boston Book Fair, Boston, Mass.
 - 4 Dec., New England Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, Boston, Mass.
 - 10 Dec., Dinner in honor of George W. Norris
- 1943
- 8 Feb., Council on Foreign Relations, Chicago, Ill.
 - Mar., "The Act of the Imagination," University of California, Berkeley, Calif.
 - 28 May, "The Practice of Citizenship," Commencement address, Sarah Lawrence College, Bronxville, N.Y.
 - 22 Aug., Commencement address, Indiana University, Bloomington, Ind.
 - 1 Nov., Sinai Temple Forum, Chicago, Ill.
 - 12 Dec., National Woman's Party
- 1944
- 24 Feb., "The American Experience," American Museum of Natural History, New York, N.Y.
 - 27 Feb., *Nation* dinner in honor of Freda Kirchwey
 - 19 May, "The Power of the Spoken Word," American Academy of Arts and Letters and the National Institute of Arts and Letters
 - 7 June, Deerfield Academy, Deerfield, Mass.
 - 28 June, Launching of the Liberty Ship "Rubén Dario"
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- 31 July, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisc.
 - 8 Oct., "The People Are Indivisible," *Nation* conference
 - 16 Oct., Community War Fund
 - 3 Nov., Civil Service Assembly, Chicago, Ill.
 - 13 Nov., "Arts, Letters and Democracy"
 - 28 Nov., Freedom House, New York, N.Y., award
 - 12 Dec., Statement before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee
- 1945
- 4 Jan., "Information for a People's Peace," United Nations Information Board
 - 10 Jan., "Popular Relations and the Peace," Association of American Colleges, Atlantic City, N.J.

- 18 Feb., "The American Certainty," Independent Citizens Committee of the Arts, Sciences and Professions, New York, N.Y.
- 28 Feb., "The Problem of Developing Public Understanding of the Proposals for United Nations Organization," Americans United for World Organization
- 3 Apr., Introductory remarks regarding the United Nations
- 21 Apr., Americans United for World Organization and The Free World Association of Hollywood, Los Angeles, Calif.
- 31 May., Commencement address, National College of Education
- 7 Aug., Washington Advertising Club, Washington, D.C.
- 27 Dec., New School for Social Research, New York, N.Y.
- 1946, 11 Jan., National Conference of the Sciences, Professions, Arts and White Collar Fields, New York, N.Y.
- [1953?], On *The Irresponsibles*, Smith College, Northampton, Mass.
- 1955
- 16 June, Harvard Alumni Association, Cambridge, Mass.
- 20 Nov., Commemoration of the Centennial of the death of Adam Mickiewicz, Hunter College, New York, N.Y.
- 1956
- 6 June, Commencement address, Smith College, Northampton, Mass.
- 14 June, Dinner in honor of Felix Frankfurter, Somerset Club, Boston, Mass.
- 1958, 22 Apr., Address on *J.B.*, Yale University, New Haven, Conn.
- 1960, 7 Oct., Yale Alumni Convocation, New Haven, Conn.
- 1963, 22 Feb., University of the West Indies, Mona, Jamaica
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- 1965
- May, Dedication of Countway Library, Harvard Medical School, Cambridge, Mass.
- June, Commencement address, Smith College, Northampton, Mass.
- 19 July, Memorial ceremony for Adlai E. Stevenson, United Nations, New York, N.Y.
- 3 Dec., Address in honor of Roger Baldwin
- 1966
- 11 May, Pulitzer Prize awards, New York, N.Y.
- 11 June, Poetry Center
- 1967
- 12 June, Lincoln Center Festival, New York, N.Y.
- 17 Sept., Tribute to Carl Sandburg, Lincoln Memorial, Washington, D.C.
- 1969
- 17 May, Remarks at Leonard Bernstein's final concert as Music Director of the New York Philharmonic, New York, N.Y.
- 1970, 3 Oct., Dedication of Hampshire College, Amherst, Mass.
- 1972, 5 Mar., Dedication of the Eleanor Roosevelt Library, Hyde Park, N.Y.
- 1973, 7 Dec., Tribute to Mark Van Doren, American Academy
- 1977
- 12 Apr., Smith College, Northampton, Mass.
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9 Dec., On preparation for war
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10 Apr., San Francisco Conference, San Francisco, Calif.
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- 1925 *The Pot of Earth* (Boston and New York: Houghton Mifflin. 44 pp.)
- 1926 *Nobodaddy* (Cambridge [Mass.]: Dunster House. 67 pp.)
- 1928 *The Hamlet of A. MacLeish* (Boston and New York: Houghton Mifflin. 45 pp.)
- 1930 *New Found Land* (Boston and New York: Houghton Mifflin. [52] pp.)
- 1932 *Conquistador* (Boston and New York: Houghton Mifflin. 113 pp.)
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- 1935 *Panic, a Play in Verse* (Boston and New York: Houghton Mifflin. 101 pp.)
- 1936 *Public Speech* (New York: Farrar & Rinehart. [40] pp.)
- 1937 *The Fall of the City* (New York and Toronto: Farrar & Rinehart. 33 pp.)
- 1938 *Air Raid* (New York: Harcourt, Brace and Company. 36 pp.)
- 1939 *America Was Promises* (New York: Duell, Sloan & Pearce. 20 pp.)
- 1940 *The Irresponsibles* (New York: Duell, Sloan and Pearce. 34 pp.)
- 1941 *The States Talking*. Published in *The Free Company Presents*, compiled by James Boyd ([New York]:
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- 1944 *The American Story* (New York: Duell, Sloan and Pearce. 231 pp.)
- 1948 *Actfive, and Other Poems* (New York: Random House. 63 pp.)
- 1950 *Poetry and Opinion; the Pisan Cantos of Ezra Pound* ([Urbana, Ill.: University of Illinois Press]. 52
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- 1952 *Collected Poems, 1917-1952* (Boston: Houghton Mifflin. 407 pp.)
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- 1953 *This Music Crept by Me Upon the Waters* (Cambridge, Mass.: Harvard University Press. 38 pp.)
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