Summary

Creator: Swinnerton, Frank, 1884-1982

Title: Frank Swinnerton collection of papers

Date: 1912-1978

Size: 524 items

Source: This is a synthetic collection, created from materials acquired through gift and purchase from various sources.

Abstract: This is a synthetic collection consisting of a typescript, correspondence, legal documents, and a portrait photograph.

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Processing note: Processed by Staff; Machine-readable finding aid created by Lynn Lobash and Nina Schneider.

Creator History

Frank Swinnerton was an English novelist, short-story writer, and literary critic.

Custodial History

Previous owners include Martin Secker.

Scope and Content Note
This is a synthetic collection consisting of a typescript, correspondence by and about the author, legal documents, and a portrait photograph. The typescript is a contribution to a collection of tributes to Max Beerbohm. The bulk of the collection consists of letters from the author, dating from 1912 to 1978, to St. John Greer Ervine, Henry James Forman, Clayton Hoagland, Sir Edward Howard Marsh, Reginald Pound, Siegfried Sassoon, Martin Secker, Sylvia Hope Gibsone Secker, and others, as well as letters relating to the author, dating from 1924 to 1940, between various correspondents, including Carl Van Vechten, Hugh Walpole, and the literary agency James B. Pinker and Son. There are letters to Swinnerton from Herbert Mitgang, dating from 1967 to 1975.

Key Terms

Genre/Physical Characteristic
Correspondence

Names
Swinnerton, Frank, 1884-1982
Ervine, St. John G. (St. John Greer), 1883-1971
Forman, Henry James, 1879-1966
Hoagland, Clayton
Marsh, Edward Howard, Sir, 1872-1953
Mitgang, Herbert
Pound, Reginald
Sassoon, Siegfried, 1886-1967
Secker, Martin, 1882-1978
Secker, Martin, 1882-1978
Secker, Sylvia Hope Gibsone
Van Vechten, Carl, 1880-1964
Walpole, Hugh, Sir, 1884-1941
Walpole, Hugh, Sir, 1884-1941
James B. Pinker and Son
Manuscripts and Typescripts

80th birthday album. Typescripts of 39 contributions, not listed separately, to a collection of tributes to Max Beerbohm. Contributors include Frank Swinnerton 1952 (83 items in 8 folders) (83 items in 8 folders)
Includes carbon for each contribution

Correspondence

Outgoing Correspondence

Coppard, Alfred Edgar. TL (carbon) to 1951 June 25 (1 p) (1 p)

Macdonald, [--?]. ALS to 1932 Dec. 13 (1 p) (1 p)

Walsh, R[--?] B[--?]. TLS to 1936 Feb. 29 (1 p) (1 p)

Marsh, Sir Edward Howard. 2 ALS, 1 TLS, 1 postcard to 1919 Oct. 15 - 1937
Feb. 15 (4 items) (4 items)

Pound, Reginald. ALS to. Relates to Reginald Pound's Arnold Bennett; a biography 1948 Dec. 9 - 1952 June 13 (4 items) (4 items)

Pound, Reginald. ALS to. Relates to Arnold Bennett 1951 Oct. 1 (1 item) (1 item)

Sassoon, Siegfried. 88 ALS to 1923 July 27 - 1963 Dec. 30 (88 items in 18 folders) (88 items in 18 folders)
In folder 10: TL (carbon) to Alfred Edgar Coppard. June 25, 1951. 1 p.; enclosed in letter of June 25, 1951

4 (268 items in 52 folders) (268 items in 52 folders)
In folder 11: photograph of Frank Swinnerton enclosed in letter of March 28, 1969


Secker, Martin. ANS to 1935 Mar. 19 (1 p) (1 p)

Secker, Martin. ALS to 1950 Jan. 28 (1 item) (1 item)
Outgoing Correspondence

Manuscript box
Secker, Sylvia Hope Gibsone. 5 ALS to 1965 Mar. 11 - 1967 May 10 (5 items) (5 items)

Manuscript box
Secker, Sylvia Hope Gibsone. 2 TLS to 1970 June 11, 1973 June 25 (2 items) (2 items)

Incoming Correspondence

Manuscript box (Swinnerton)
Mitgang, Herbert. Letters to Frank Swinnerton 1967 - 1975 (1 folder) (1 folder)
With replies and articles contributed to The New York Times

Related Correspondence

Manuscript box (Pinker, J. B., firm)
Letters, ALS, telegrams, etc. from various publishers, etc. to the firm of James B. Pinker and son as literary agent for Frank Swinnerton 1928 - 1940 (5 items) (5 items)

Manuscript box
Walpole, Hugh. ALS to Carl [Van Vechten]. Mentions Frank Swinnerton 1924 Jan. 25 (1 item) (1 item)
Accompanied by TLS from William Jepson to the Berg Collection, June 6, 1971

Legal Documents

Manuscript box (Swinnerton)
Agreement between Frank Swinnerton and Martin Secker, ltd. 1926 Sept. 3 (1 item) (1 item)
Signed by Frank Swinnerton. Came with the Frank Swinnerton-Martin Secker correspondence

Portraits

Manuscript box
Photograph of Frank Swinnerton n.d. (1 item) (1 item)
With: Swinnerton, Frank A. 149 ALS, 106 TL...etc. to Martin Secker. Aug. 6, 1912-April 4, 1978. 52 folders