Thane Walker Collection on The Prosperos Coll2011.085*

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Historical Note
Founded in Florida in 1956--then based in Los Angeles during the 1960s and early 1970s--the Prosperos espoused (principally through the writings of co-founder Thane Walker) a program of transformative spiritual education that combined mysticism, psychology, astrology; and an openness to homosexuality, bisexuality and androgyny. During the 1960s, its mission statement read, "The Prosperos is a non-profit religio-educational institution devoted to research, study and education in the New Frontiers of the heart, the mind and the spirit."
Scope and Content
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Subjects and Indexing Terms
The Prosperos.
Gay activists
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