Frederick Faust Collection

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Descriptive Summary

Title: Frederick Faust Collection

Dates: ca 1919-1944

Collection Number: SC.70

Creator/Collector: Brand, Max, 1892-1944
Faust, Frederick Schiller, 1892-1944

Extent: 161 volumes (18 linear ft)

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Abstract: Donated by the estate of Randolph Bell of Fullerton in March 1973, the Frederick Faust Collection consists of published pulp novels by the author best known by the pseudonym of "Max Brand". In addition to the Western genre Mr. Faust wrote the Dr. Kildare medical series which was made into films in the late 1930s and early-mid 1940s at MGM Studios and in the early 1960s was a television series with Richard Chamberlain and Raymond Massey.

Language of Material: English

Access

The collection is open for research.

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Biography/Administrative History

Frederick Faust was an extremely successful writer of adventure prose, which he had published under assumed names such as Max Brand, but he failed in his lifelong aim of becoming an established poet. Despite his distaste for pulp fiction, the money he made from producing it allowed Faust a lavish lifestyle. His most famous works included Destry Rides Again and the Dr. Kildare stories. In 1944, while trying to establish himself as a war correspondent during World War II, he was killed during an attack on the central Italian town of Santa Maria Infante.(source: John Leyden. American History; September/October 1997, Vol. 32, p48-55, 8p).

Scope and Content of Collection

The collection consists of paperback books and periodicals.

Indexing Terms

Western stories.

Kildare, Doctor (Fictitious character)