Guide to the Will S. Monroe Collection on Walt Whitman, 1928-1930

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Biographical Note
Will Monroe was born in Hunlock, Pennsylvania on March 22, 1863. He received his A.B. from stanfora in 1894, he also attended the Universities of Jenna in Paris, Leipzig, and Grenoble. He was a teacher and principal in public schools in Pennsylvania and California and a professor of psychology at Mass. State Normal School. He lectured at Columbia and the University of Chicago. Will Monroe was a member of the International Jury of Education He was editor of Monroe's Cyclopedia of Education. He wrote a number of books--many about foreign countries. His home was in [UNK], Vermont where he died in 1939.

Scope and Content
The collection consists of notes and correspondences to and from will S. Monroe in preparation of a book he was going to call Walt Whitman and his Contemporaries. The notes are largely concerned with Whitman’s contemporary authors and
quotes from them on Whitman. The correspondence is to and from librarians etc. and relatives of people who knew Whitman well and deals with Monroe's attempts to gather information on Whitman.

Included in the collection is a book of Monroe's with notes in it called *Our Ababy Palm Strings* by J. Sneaton Chase and some negative glass slides of Whitman's funeral.

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**Box 1, Folder 1**

**Correspondence**

To Monroe from: Harold Blodgett, Clara Barrus Clifton J. Furness, Emmery Holloway, Henry S. Sanders, Charles J. Glicksberg.

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**Box 1, Folder 2**

From Monroe to: Blodgett, Beith, Barrus, Bailie, Berenson, Brown, Catel, Clifford, Eyre, Ellis, Elton, Farness, Green, Heaton, Horris Livezey, London Times Editor, Saunders, Schuyberg, Stewart, Traubel, Whiteside.

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**Box 1, Folder 3**

Notes and Correspondence

1. Clipping-- Walt Whitman section: The brooklyn Deily Eagle May 31, 1919 (llooth birthday)
2. Wm D. O’Conner notes and letter to Monroe from Grace Elley Channing Feb 18, 1929
3. Notes on Joaquin Miller
5. Copies:
   - Letter J.T. Trowbridge to W.D. O’Conner
   - Letter W.D. O’Conner to J.T. Trowbridge
   - To the editor concerning Walt whitman
   - The Soldiers etc 1865 by Walt Whitman

**Box 1, Folder 4**

Notes about: Sidney Lanier, Howard Horace Furness, George H. Boker, Carles G. Leland, Edwin O. Grover (letter), W.S. Kennedy

Letters to Monroe from: Harrison Morris, Mary Kennedy Foote, Florance H. Crowell,

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**Box 1, Folder 5**

Notes about: Bronson Alcott, Edward E. Hale, Emerson, Thoreau, Frank S. Sanborn, Talcott Williams.

Letters to Monroe from: Dorothea Blaisdell, Thomas B. Donaldson

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| Box 1, Folder 7 | From England Notes about: Robert Buchanon, Roden Noel, William Michael Rossitti, York Powell, John Addington, Symonds, Moncure D. Conway, Emily Faithful, Frederick Locker, Wm, Morris, G.C. Macaulay |
| Box 1, Folder 9 | Notes about: Swineburne, Matthew Arnold, Alfred Austin, Peter Bayne, Robert L. Stevenson, John C. Bailey, Haverlock Ellis, John Freeman Letters to Monroe from: John C. Bailey, Haverlock Ellis |
| Box 1, Folder 11 | Corresp. and clippings concerning the Lancaster-Whitman Fellowship. Letters to Monroe from: Fred Nightgale, Fred Wild, will Hays, Minnie Whiteside, Arthur H. Ransome, John Ormod, W.A.H. Rinson, Emily Grace Allingham |
| Box 1, Folder 12 | Copied of English Press notices |
| Box 2, Folder 13 | From Ireland Notes about: Edward Dowden, T.W. Rolleston, Standish O'Grady (and photo), Ramsey Coller, Correspondence to Monroe from: Maud Rolleston, Elizabeth D. Dowden, W.S.W. Eyre, Margaret O'Grady, D.H. Todhunter. |
| Box 2, Folder 14 | From Austria and New Zealand letters from: J. Macmillan Brown, Dorothy H. Stewart, Fred Schuyberg and notes on Francis Adams. From Norway, Sweden, and Denmark notes concerning Whitman's work in those countries--translations etc/ From Holland--notes on Whitman From Belgium and Switzerland--notes on Whitman |
| Box 2, Folder 15 | From France: notes and letters to Monroe from V.S. Falgette, Jean Catel, C. Cestre From Italy: copies of Whitman's letters to M.W. Smith |
| Box 2, Folder 16 | From Spain and Spanish America letters from A. Torre-Rioseco, Alfred Coester, and notes From Germany and Austria letters from Carl Federn and Johannes Toklaif and notes From Hungary letter from D. Paul Gulyás, and notes From Bulgaria letter from R.H. Marbel and notes From Poland letter from W. Borowy and notes |
| Box 2, Folder 18 | Bibliographical and misc. noten and clippings concerni Whitman |
| Box 2, Folder 19 | Miss. notes including on Walt Whitman by Santayana, James Harlan, Helen Keller. |

Box 2, Folder 20
Whitman in World Literature translation of a work by Schyberg (Chpt. 4) by Mrs. G.W. Allen typescript

Box 2, Folder 21
The Sleepers a poem by walt whitman, limited printing
Physical Description: 250- copies

Box 2, Folder 22
Our Ababy Palm Springs by J. Smeaton Chase with notes by Monroe and a photograph of him

Box 2, Folder 23
Glass slides with negatives of Whitman's funeral etc.