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Scope and Content
A collection of manuscript, and various printer's proofs (galley, page, production) of the books of Robert L. Duffus. Also included are tear sheets of articles and New York Times editorials by Mr. Duffus.

ADDITION INCLUDES manuscripts of books, newsclips, correspondence (mostly to Duffus)

Biographical Note
ROBERT LUTHER DUFFUS
Robert Luther Duffus was born in Waterbury, Vt., July 10, 1888, the son of John McGlashan and Helen (Graves) Duffus. He obtained his A. B. from Stanford in 1910 and his A. M. in 1911. In addition, he was awarded an honorary LL.D. from Middlebury (Vt.) College in 1938.
Mr. Duffus was a reporter for the San Francisco Bulletin from 1911 - 1913 and editorial writer from 1913 to 1918. He then became an editorial writer for the San Francisco Call from 1918 - 1919 and for the New York Globe from 1919 - 1923. He has been a member of the editorial staff of the New York Times since 1937. Died, Nov, 28, 1972.

Among the honors awarded are the Chevalier, Legion of Honor and the Phi Betta Kappa Key. Mr. Duffus is an author with books including *The Innocents at Cedro* (1944), *The Valley and Its People* (1944), *Non-Scheduled Flight* (1950), *Williamsptom Branch (Memoirs)* (1959), *The Waterbury Record* (1960), and *The Tower of Jewels* (1961).

**ADDITIONAL NOTE**
7/17/73
Names added to card file: new cards and additions
(* -signifies new card)
* Alphand, Herve
Anderson, Maxwell
Bliven, Bruce
* Brockway, George P.
Brooks, Van Wyck
Eisenhower, Dwight D.
* Gleason, Edgar T. (Scoop)
Keller, Helen
* LaGuardia, Fiorello H.
Older, Fremont
Sandburg, Carl
Sterling, J. E. Wallace
* Sulzberger, Arthur Hays

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**ADVENTURE IN RETIREMENT.**
Box 1, Folder 1
a) Final draft, typescript with autograph corrections,
   Physical Description: 263 pp.

Box 1, Folder 2
b) Galley proof, with autograph corrections.
c) Production proof; see oversize.

**THE CAT'S PAJAMAS.**
Box 1, Folder 3
a) First draft, typescript (some carbon) with autograph correction pp. 1 - 103, 123 - 150 (end) (incomplete); 21 pp. fragmentary drafts.

Box 1, Folder 4
b) Second draft, typescript (some carbon) with autograph corrections, pp. 1 - 123 (incomplete).

Box 1, Folder 5
c) Final draft, typescript with autograph corrections,
   Physical Description: 165 pp.

Box 2, Folder 1
d) Page proof, with autograph corrections.

**JASON GOOSE.**
Box 2, Folder 2
a) Final draft, typescript with autograph corrections,
   Physical Description: 336 pp.

Box 2, Folder 3
b) Galley proof.

Box 2, Folder 4
c) Page proof.

**JASON POTTER'S SPACE WALK.**
Box 3, Folder 1
a) Final draft, typescript with autograph corrections,
   Physical Description: 135 pp.

Box 3, Folder 2
b) Galley proof, with autograph corrections.

Box 3, Folder 3
c) Page proof.
Box 3, Folder 4

d) Production proof.

Note
* e,f,g: see also: List of July,'73 ADDITION

JIMMY’S PLACE.

Box 3, Folder 5

a) First draft, typescript with autograph corrections, 242 pp., author’s notation, 13 pp.

Box 4, Folder 1

b) Second draft, carbon typescript with autograph corrections,

Physical Description: 269 pp.

Box 4, Folder 2

c) Final draft, typescript with autograph corrections,

Physical Description: 269 pp.

Box 4, Folder 3

d) Page proof, with autograph corrections.

e) Page proof.

Box 4, Folder 4

f) Galley proof, with autograph corrections.

g) Galley proof.

NOSTALGIA, USA.

Box 5, Folder 3

a) Final draft, typescript with autograph corrections,

Physical Description: 103 pp.

Box 5, Folder 4

b) Galley proof,

Physical Description: 2 copies.

Box 5, Folder 5

c) Page proof.

d) Production proof, see oversize.

QUEEN CALIFIA’S ISLAND.

Box 6, Folder 1

a) Final draft, typescript with autograph corrections,

Physical Description: 316 pp.

Box 6, Folder 2

b) Galley proof.

c) Page proof.

Box 6, Folder 3

d) Unbound set of printed pages.

THE POLAR ROUTE TO TIME GONE BY.

Box 7, Folder 1

a) Final draft, typescript with autograph corrections,

Physical Description: 196 pp.

Box 7, Folder 2

b) Page proof, with autograph corrections.

c) Page proof.

Box 7, Folder 3

d) Production proof.

Note
* e & f: See also: List of July,'73 ADDITION

TOMORROW’S NEWS.

Box 8, Folder 1

a) First draft, typescript with autograph corrections,

Physical Description: 202 pp.

Box 8, Folder 2

b) Second draft, typescript with autograph corrections,

Physical Description: 140 pp.

Box 8, Folder 3

c) Final draft, typescript with autograph corrections,

Physical Description: 141 pp.

Box 8, Folder 4

d) Final draft, carbon typescript,

Physical Description: 141 pp.
THE TOWER OF JEWELS.

Box 9, Folder 1  
   a) Final draft, typescript with autograph corrections,  
      Physical Description: 216 pp.

Box 9, Folder 2  
   b) Galley proof, with autograph corrections.

Box 9, Folder 3  
   c) Page proof, with autograph corrections.
   d) Production proof; see oversize.

THE WATERBURY RECORD.

Box 10, Folder 1  
   a) Final draft, typescript with autograph corrections,  
      Physical Description: 268 pp.

Box 10, Folder 2  
   b) Page proof, with autograph corrections.

Box 10, Folder 3  
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   d) Production proof; see oversize.

WEST OF THE DATE LINE.

Box 11, Folder 1  
   a) First draft, typescript with autograph corrections, 210 pp. Epilogue, 12 pp.;  
      author's notations, 12 pp.
   b) Second draft, typescript with autograph corrections,  
      Physical Description: 228 pp.
      Scope and Content Note  
      (includes epilogue added to first draft).

Box 11, Folder 3  
   c) Second draft, carbon typescript,  
      Physical Description: 228 pp.

Box 11, Folder 4  
   d) Final draft, typescript with autograph corrections,  
      Physical Description: 227 pp.

Box 12, Folder 1  
   e) Galley proof, with autograph corrections.

Box 12, Folder 2  
   f) Page proof.

WILLIAMSTOWN BRANCH.

Box 12, Folder 3  
   a) Final draft, typescript with autograph corrections,  
      Physical Description: 357 pp.

Box 12, Folder 4  
   b) Galley proof, with autograph corrections.

Box 13, Folder 1  
   c) Galley proof.

Box 13, Folder 2  
   d) Page proof, with autograph corrections.
   e) Production proof; see oversize.

Printed Matter and Tearsheets

Box 13, Folder 3  
   By My Way - a series of articles of humorous commentary by R. L. Duffus, run in  
   Nation's Business monthly from October 1948 to March 1956.Tearsheets.

Box 13, Folder 4  
   A FAIR PROSPECT. A series of 57 booklets of humorous commentary by R. L. Duffus,  
   published as advertising for Nation's Business, April 1944 to October 1948.

Box 14, Folder 1  
   Miscellaneous clippings, tearsheets, and whole number periodicals of items by R. L.  
   Duffus.

Book 15  
   Miscellaneous clippings, 1923 - 1924,pasted in scrapbook.


Book 16  
   a) September 26, 1946 - October 10, 1950.

Book 17  

Book 18  
   c) February 6, 1956 - February 21, 1960.

Book 19  

Box 14, Folder 2  
   ADDITION Newsclips and Book Reviews re: Duffus.

Box 14, Folder 3  
   Editorials written after retirement and Poems.

Box 14, Folder 4  
   Tribute to Judge Learned Hand by R.L.D. Printed.

Box 14, Folder 5  
   Miscellany

BOOKS
* JASON POTTER’S STAR WALK (later, SPACE WALK)
  e) Typescript with autograph corrections,
     Physical Description: 135 pp.


g) 1 page of notes.

* THE POLAR ROUTE TO TIME GONE BY
  e) typescript with autograph corrections,
     Physical Description: 165 pp.

ASHES ON A PROMONTORY
  a) typescript with autograph corrections,
     Physical Description: 185 pp.

TLS, 12-26-72, Geo. P. Brockway to Mrs. R. L. Duffus - declines to publish. (Filed with correspondence)

THE DEATH OF ROSCOE CONKLING (1888)
  a) typescript with autograph corrections, Mar. 30, 1967.
     Physical Description: 70pp.

HOW TO BE 80 AND LIKE IT.
  a) manuscript, Sept. 1971.
     Physical Description: 45pp.

b) TLS n.d. Donald Bean to R.L.D. re: mss. (Filed with corresp.)

THE LAST SARDINE.
  a) typescript with autograph corrections,
     Physical Description: 222 pp.

  b) typescript with autograph corrections,
     Physical Description: 222 pp.

  c) typescript with autograph corrections, 216 pp., Jan. 12, 1970.

ADDITIONAL MANUSCRIPTS AND TYPESCRIPTS:
Scope and Content Note
(The following 7 manuscripts appear to be early stories written during college)

a) A California Byway.

b) The Two Kisses of Rafaelita.

c) The Silver Cord.

d) The Story of the Abstruse Vagabond.

e) Drusiana. (written for a short story contest)

f) An Incident in a Garden. (Eng. 22; Oct. 1, 1909)

g) The Crime of the Knave of Hearts.


My Brother Bill (typescript) (6pp.) May (?), 1966.

Typescripts of 5 newspaper articles/editorials.

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BLIVEN, BRUCE
1969, March 2. re: Jason Goose.
1970, October 15. re: Jason Potter's Space Walk with clip.
1972, April 18. re: The Santa Fe Trail.

BORLAND, HAL (and Barbara)
1972, November 24.

BROCKWAY, GEORGE P. (President, W. W. Norton & Co., Inc., R.L.D.'s publisher)
1964, December 10. re: The Island of Queen Calafia; Adventures...
1964, December 18.
1964, December 28.
1965, June 24. re: Queen Calafia.
1965, September 30. re: Jimmy's Place.
1965, October 6.
1965, December 6.
1968, May 1. re: Jason Goose.
1969, December 31.
1971, April 22. re: The Last Sardine.
1971, May 25.
1972, September 22. [To Mrs. R. L. Duffus]
1972, December 26. [To Mrs. R. L. Duffus]

BURKE, SHIRLEY
1942, January 4. re: Treasury Star Parade radio program.

CHANDLER, R. K.
1958, November 27. re: Williamstown Branch.

CORBALLY, WINIFRED
1964, June 25

Physical Description: (photocopy)

1966, June 24.

Physical Description: (photocopy)

See also: KELLER, HELEN.

COWDRY, MRS. E. VINCENT
N. D. ALS (to Leah Louise).

[CRANE], CHARLES
1959, October 27.
[1959], December 24.

DAVIS, H. L.
1957, June 7. (mention of Clifford Irving).

DODDS, JOHN W.
1970, June 29. re: The Polar Route...

DORFMAN, JOSEPH.
1971, July 12.

Physical Description: TLS

DUFFUS, WILLIAM M. (Brother of R.L.D.)
EISENHOWER, DWIGHT D.

FONTANA, JOHN

FORREST, WILLIAM P. (World Health Organization)
1948, March 19. (with reply by R.L.D. - Outgoing corresp.)

FRANCESCHI, ESTHER SEAKER (MRS. A. G.)
1959, February 5. re: Williamstown Branch.

Friedlander, [Paul?]
1963, Oct. 2.
Physical Description: TLS.

GALPIN, PERRIN C.
1959, October 26. re: Waterbury Record.

GERMOND, PETER
1948, March 6. re: A Fair Prospect.

GLEASON, EDGAR T. (Scoop)
1959, March 31.

GRUENING, ERNEST.
[1965, Dec. 4].

HADDOCK, CONSTANCE M. (MRS. G. T.)
1969, February 23.

HAYDEN, HIRAM.
1948, March 19.

HOUGH, HENRY BEETLE
1969, December 17.
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INGRAM, K. C.
1948, February 5.

KAYE, FRANK M.
1966, October 12.

KELLER, HELEN
1960, August 23.
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(with reply - Outgoing corresp.)

1960, May 12.
Physical Description: (photocopy)

See also: CORBALLY, WINIFRED.

KREHBIEL, EDWARD
1948, March 17.

LA GUARDIA, Fiorello H. (Mayor of New York).
1941, December 29. re: article on La Guardia to be written by R.L.D.

LAMPSON, ROBIN
1968, May 5.

LEAVITT, RAY (S. F. Press Club)
1968, April 5.
1968, April 12.

LILIENTHAL, DAVID E.
1959, May 25.
1965, Feb. 9. re: Adventure in Retirement
LOWRY, HELEN (sister)
MANN, LUCY (MRS. WILLIAM M.)
---- October 22.
MASLIN, MARSH
---- May 24.
MERRIL, REV. CHARLES C.
1957, August 15. (with reply - Outgoing corresp.)
MERZ, CHARLES
MOULTON, ELLA SIBLEY (MRS. WILLARD A.)
1958, December 14.
OAKES, JOHN B.
n.d. Memo re: Pulitzer Prize
ORTON, LARRY M.
Physical Description: TLS

PATTERSON, Wm. D.
Physical Description: TLS

PRESCOTT, ORVILLE
1964, December 29.
PROFFITT, CHARLES G.
1963, Jan. 28.
Physical Description: TLS

RABINOWITZ, AARON
1970, Oct. 25
Physical Description: TLS

RICHEY, PAUL
1948, March 4. re: A Fair Prospect - copy enclosed with missing pages.

ROBINSON, BELLE D.
1958, November 29.

SANDBURG, CARL
1935, February 19. re: ref. to Mark Sullivan as historian; re: Sandburg's actions in
1898 as U.S. volunteer in Puerto Rico engaged in driving out the Madrid
government.
Physical Description: TLS

SHANNON, WILLIAM V.
1966, May 9.

STARK, [JEN], MRS. LOUIS
1957, December 15.

SULZBERGER, ARTHUR HAYS (Publisher, N.Y. Times)
1948, March 16.
1954, December 30.
1962, Sept. 18.

TOWNSEND, EARLE L.
1942, September 29. re: R.L.D.’s leaving the Westport Defense Training Unit.

TRAILL, J. E.

TRIGGS, A. B. (MRS. OSCAR LOVELL)
1948, February 18.

WOLFF, MARIAN
n.d.

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MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE

HUBBARD, Mrs. William B. (Cousin Elizabeth) to Ursula.
1960, February 9. with note describing Cousin Elizabeth signed W.M.D. [Wm. M. Duffus?]

ROSS, Roland to Editor, N.Y. Times.
1937, August 2. re: article by R.L.D.

SULZBERGER, ARTHUR HAYS to Mr. Gilmore D. Clark

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LETTERS OF CONDOLENCE TO MRS. R. L. DUFFUS

Angell, Orson 1972, Dec. 5
Bliven, Bruce 1972, Nov. 30
Borland, Hal & Barbara 1972, Dec. 1
Brockway, George P. 1972, Nov. 30
Chase, Stuart & Marian [1972]
Chenery, William L. 1972, Dec. 6
Dodds, John W. 1972, Dec. 1
Gruening, Ernest 1972, Nov. 30
Hough, Henry Beetle 1972, Nov. 30
[Keyserling], Leon H. 1972, Dec. 12
Keyserling, Mary D[ublue] 1972, Dec. 4
Miller, Wm. F. 1972, Dec. 4 (Vice Pres. & Provost- Stanford U.)
Oakes, John B. 1972, Dec. 9
Ogden, Wm. D. 1972, Nov. 30
O’Neill, Charles 1972, Nov. 30
Smith, Fletcher 1973, Jan. 26
Sterling, J. E. Wallace n.d.
Sulzberger, Iphigene Ochs 1972, Dec. 2

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(Mrs. Arthur Hayes)