Creator: Whitman Publishing Company
Title: Big Little Books Collection
Date (inclusive): 1933-1948
Extent: 10.4 linear feet
Abstract: The Big Little Books, a series of small books published by the Whitman Publishing Company, consist of stories based on comic strips, radio dramas, and popular fiction. This collection contains 193 volumes, including titles from the following series: Dick Tracy, Donald Duck, Mickey Mouse, and Popeye.
Physical location: Researchers should contact Special Collections to request collections, as many are stored offsite.
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Administrative History
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Arrangement of the Collection
The collection is arranged in alphabetical order by title.
Indexing Terms
The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library's online public access catalog.
Whitman Publishing Company
Big little books
Comic books, strips, etc.
Access
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Allen Pike of the Parachute Squad U.S.A., by R.R. Witherbotham 1941
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Alley Oop and Dinny in the Jungles of Moo: Based on the Comic Strip by V.T. Hamlin 1936
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Andy Panda and the Pirate Ghosts by Walter Lantz 1947
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Andy Panda in the City of Ice by Walter Lanz 1946
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Andy Panda and Tiny Tom by Walter Lanz 1943
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Andy Panda's Vacation by Walter Lanz 1944
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Billy of Bar-Zero by Robert Marshall 1940
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Blondie and Baby Dumpling by Chic Young 1933-1937
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Box 2  Blondie and Bouncing Baby Dumpling by Chic Young 1940
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Box 2  Blondie and Dagwood: Everybody's Happy: Based on the Famous Newspaper Strip by Chic Young 1948
Box 2  Brad Turner in Transatlantic Flight by Albert B Dale and Robert L. Jenney 1939
Box 2  Brick Bradford with Brocco the Modern Buccaneer by William Ritt and Clarence Gray 1934
Box 3  Broncho Bill adapted from comic strip by Harry F. O'Neill 1940
Box 3  The Buccaneer, Retold from the Paramount Picture Starring Fredrick March with Franciska Gaal by Cecil B. DeMille 1938
Box 3  Buckskin and Bullets: a Kid Wolf Story by Ward M. Stevens and Luther Hittle 1937
Box 3  Bugs Bunny the Masked marvel: From the Famous Motion Picture Cartoon by Author Unknown 1949
Box 3  Bugs Bunny in Risky Business: from the Famous Motion Picture Cartoon by Author Unknown 1948
Box 3  Bullet Benton adapted from strip by John J. Welch and J.W. McGuire 1939
Box 3  Buz Sawyer and Bomber 13 by Roy Crane 1946
Box 3  Captain Easy, Soldier of Fortune by Roy Crane 1934
Box 3  Captain Frank Hawks, Famous Air Ace, and the League of Twelve by Irwin Myers 1938
Box 4  Captain Midnight and Sheik Jomak Khan by Helen Berke 1946
Box 4  Chester Gump Finds the Hidden Treasure by Sidney Smith 1934
Box 4  The Story of Charlie McCarthy; from the Edgar Bergen-Charlie McCarthy Radio Programs by Eleanor Lewis Packer 1938
Box 4  Big Chief Wahoo and the Lost Pioneers by Allen Saunders and Elmer Woggon 1940
Box 4  Chuck Malloy Railroad Detective on the Streamliner by Thorp McClusky 1938
Box 4  Convoy Patrol: a Thrilling Story of the U.S. Navy by R.R. Winterbotham and Erwin L. Hess 1942
Box 4  Cowboy Malloy: A Western by Mark Millis 1940
Box 5  Dan Dunn Secret Operative 48 and the Crime Master by Norman Marsh 1937
Box 5  Dan Dunn Secret Operative 48 on the Trail of Wu Fang by Norman Marsh 1938
Box 5  Danger Trail North: a White Wolf Story by Jack Chambers and J.R. White 1940
Box 5  Death by Short Wave: A G-man story by Jack Adair 1938
Box 5  Dick Tracy and the Borus Arson Gang by Chester Gould 1935
Box 5  Detective Dick Tracy vs Crooks in Disquise based on newspaper strip by Chester Gould 1941
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Box 7  Donald Duck and Ghost Morgan's Treasure by Walt Disney 1946
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Box 10 The Green Hornet Cracks Down Author Unknown 1942
Box 10 Hairbreadth Harry in Department QT by J M Alexander 1935
Box 10 The best Movie Gags: Heard among the Stars; illustrated with Scenes from Famous Photoplays by Hap Lee 1935
Box 10 Harold Teen: Swinging at the Sugar Bowl by Carl Ed 1939
Box 10 Inspector Charlie Chan: Villainy on the High Seas by Earl Derr Biggers 1942
Box 10 Inspector Wade of Scotland Yard in the Mystery of the Red Aces Author Unknown 1937
Box 11 Invisible Scarlet O'Neil, a New Story Based on the Famous Newspaper Strip by Russell Stamm 1943
Box 11 Jimmie Allen and the Airmail Robbery by Willfred G. Moore and Robert M. Burtt 1936
Box 11 Johnny Forty-five: A Western by Andrew Griffin 1939
Box 11 James Oliver Curwood's Kazan, King of the Pack: Another Thrilling Story of the Great World-dog of the Far North by James Oliver Curwood and Erwin L. Hess 1940
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Box 11 Ken Maynard in Western Justice by Rex Loomis 1938
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Box 12 King of the Royal Mounted by Zane Grey 1938
Box 12 Zane Grey's King of the Royal Mounted and the Northern Treasure: based on the famous adventure strip by Zane Grey 1937
Box 12 Zip Saunders, King of the Speedway: an Auto Racing Story by Rex Loomis and Robert R. Weisman 1939
Box 12 Little Annie Rooney and the Orphan House, Based on Comic Strip by Brandon Walsh Author Unknown 1936
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Box 13 The Lone Ranger and his Horse Silver by Hal Arbo 1935
Box 13 The Lone Ranger on the Barbary Coast by Fran Striker and Henry E. Vallely 1944
Box 13 The Lone Ranger and the Black Shirt Highwayman: with Silver and Tonto by Fran Striker 1939
Box 13 The Lone Ranger Follows Through by Francis Hamilton Striker and Henry E. Vallely 1941
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Box 14 The Lone Ranger and the Secret Weapon by Fran Striker 1943
Box 14 Ellery Queen, the Master Detective: the Adventure of the Murdered Millionaire: from the Radio Adventures of Ellery Queen by Ellery Queen and Erwin L. Hess 1942
Box 14  Mandrake the Magician and the Flame Pearls: Based on the Famous Newspaper Strip by Lee Falk 1946
Box 14  Maximo the Amazing Superman and the Crystals of Doom by R. R. Winterbotham and Henry E. Vallely 1941
Box 14  Maximo the Amazing Superman and the Super-machine by Russ Winterbotham 1941
Box 14  Walt Disney's the Perils of Mickey Mouse: the Seven Ghosts by Ann Braybrooks and Floyd Gottfredson (illustrator) 1993
Box 14  Mickey Mouse and the Bat Bandit by Walt Disney 1934
Box 15  Mickey Mouse in Blaggard Castle by Walt Disney 1934
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Box 15  Mickey Mouse in the World of Tomorrow by Walt Disney 1948
Box 17  Mr. District Attorney on the Job based on the radio series by Phillips H. Lord 1941
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Box 18  Porky Pig and his Gang: Based on the Famous "Looney Tunes and Merrie Melodies" Animated Movie Cartoons 1946
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Box 19  Red Ryder and the Secret Canyon: Based on the Famous Newspaper Strip by Fred Harman 1948
Red Ryder and the Squaw-Tooth Rustlers: Based on the Famous Newspaper Strip by Fred Harman 1946
Red Ryder in War on the Range: Based on the Famous Newspaper Strip by Fred Harman 1945
Red Ryder and the Western Border Guns by Fred Harman 1941
Roy Rogers and the Deadly Treasure Author Unknown 1947
Secret Agent X-9 and the Mad Assassin by Robert Storm 1938
The Shadow and the Ghost Makers by Walter Brown Gibson 1942
The Shadow and the Master of Evil by Walter Brown Gibson 1941
Sir Lancelot by Dorothy Haas and Helmuth Wegner 1958
Skeezix in Africa by Frank O. King and Frank O. King 1934
Skeezix on his Own in the Big City: From the Famous Newspaper Strip Gasoline Alley by Frank King 1940
Skeezix at the Military Academy by Frank O. King 1938
Skyroads with Hurricane Hawk by Dick Calkins and Russell Keaton 1936
Smilin’ Jack and the Escape from Death Rock, Based on Newspaper Strip by Zack Mosely 1938
Smilin’ Jack and the Jungle Pipe Line by Helen Berke and Zack Mosley 1947
Smilin’ Jack, Speed Pilot by Zack Mosley 1941
Smilin’ Jack and the Stratosphere Ascent by Zack Mosley 1937
Smokey Stover, the Foolish Foo Fighter: From the Famous Comic Strip by Bill Holman 1945
Speed Douglas and the Mole Gang: the Great Sabotage Plot by Charles Arthur 1941
Spike Kelly of the Commandos by Art Elder 1943
Tailspin Tommy and the Lost Transport by Hal Forrest 1939
Tailspin Tommy by Hal Forrest 1933
Tailspin Tommy and the Great Air Mystery by Clark Williams and Hal Forrest 1995
Tailspin Tommy Hunting for Pirate Gold by Hal Forrest 1935
Tailspin Tommy and the Sky Bandits by Hal Forrest 1938
Tarzan and the Ant Men by Edgar Rice Burroughs and John Coleman Burroughs 1932
The Beasts of Tarzan by Edgar Rice Burroughs 1937
Tarzan in the Land of the Giant Apes by Edgar Rice Burroughs 1949
Tarzan and the Lost Empire by Edgar Rice Burroughs 1948
Terry and the Pirates and the Giant’s Vengeance by Milton Arthur Caniff 1939
Terry and the Pirates: the Plantation Mystery by Milton Arthur Caniff 1942
Terry and War in the Jungle by Helen Berke and Milton Arthur Caniff 1946
Thumper and the Seven Dwarfs by Walt Disney 1944
Tim McCoy and the Sandy Gulch Stampede by Gaylord Du Bois 1939
Tim Tyler’s Luck: The Plot of the Exiled King by Lyman Young 1939
The Adventures of Tiny Tim by Stanley Link 1935
Tiny Tim and the Mechanical Men by Stanley Link 1937
Tom Beatty Ace of the Service and the Big Brain Gang by Rex Loomis 1939
Tom Beatty Ace of the Service Scores Again by Russell Robert Winterbotham and Robert R. Weisman 1937
Tom Mix and his Circus on the Barbary Coast by Pete Daryll and illustrated by James Gary 1940
Tom Mix in the Range War by Buck Wilson and Hal Arbo 1937
Two-gun Montana by Tex Reynolds and Henry E. Valley 1936
Union Pacific by Eleanor Lewis Packer 1939
Uncle Wiggily’s Adventures by Howard R. Garis 1946
Up Dead Horse Canyon: a Pete Rice Story by Austin Grindle and Thomas Owlings 1940
Wash Tubbs in Pandemonia by Roy Crane 1934
Mickey Mouse Presents Walt Disney’s Silly Symphonies Stories: Featuring Donald Duck, Peter Pig, Benny Bird, and Bucky Bug by Walt Disney 1936
Windy Wayne and His Flying Wing, by R.R. Witherbotham 1942