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Descriptive Summary

Title: James E. Bassett Papers,
Date (inclusive): 1962
Collection number: 823
Creator: Bassett, James E.
Extent: 3 boxes (1.5 linear ft.)
Repository: University of California, Los Angeles. Library Special Collections.

Abstract: James E. Bassett (1912-1978) was born in Glendale, California. He authored several novels, including Harm's Way (1962), The Sky Suspended (1968), and Commander Prince, United States Navy (1971). Harm's Way was later made into a film. The collection consists of manuscript drafts, galley proofs, correspondence, and advertising material related to Harm's Way (1962).

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Language: English.

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Biography
Bassett was born on October 18, 1912 in Glendale, California; graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Bowdoin College, Maine; joined the Los Angeles Times, 1934, and became aviation and science editor; served as political, city, and assistant managing editor at the Mirror-News and later returned to the Times; staffer with Vice President Nixon; reorganized and headed Republican National Committee public relations department; authored several novels, including Harm's Way (1962), The Sky Suspended (1968), and Commander Prince, United States Navy (1971); Harm's Way was later made into a film; died in Malibu, California, September 26, 1978.

Scope and Content
Collection consists of manuscript drafts, galley proofs, correspondence, and advertising material related to Bassett's novel, Harm's Way (1962).

Organization and Arrangement
Arranged in the following series:
1. Harm's Way manuscripts (Box 1).
2. Printer's manuscript and uncorrected proofs (Box 2).
3. Synopsis of chapters, correspondence, miscellaneous (Box 3).

Indexing Terms
The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library's online public access catalog.
Bassett, James E.--Archives.
Authors, American 20th century--Archival resources.
American fiction 20th century.
World War, 1939-1945--Fiction--Archival resources.

Two versions of the manuscript.
Printer's manuscript.
Scope and Content Note
Uncorrected proofs.

Synopsis of chapters 2-21.
Correspondence.
Reviews and advertising material.
Two sets of galleys.