Collection on Lawrence Clark Powell 0157

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**Abstract:** Articles, pamphlets, offprints, and minor bibliophile publications by and about Lawrence Clark Powell, former UCLA librarian (1906-2000).  
**creator:** Powell, Lawrence Clark, 1906-2001  
**Scope and Content**  
Articles, pamphlets, reprints of articles by and about Lawrence Clark Powell, UCLA librarian. Included are essays and articles honoring Powell, and essays by Powell on readers and reading, librarianship, and book arts.  
**Biographical note**  
Lawrence Clark Powell was born Sept. 3, 1906 in Washington, D.C.; his family moved to South Pasadena, CA in 1910. He earned a BA from Occidental College in 1928 and his Ph.D. from the University of Dijon, France, in 1932. He worked at Jake Zeitlin's bookstore in Los Angeles during the mid-1930s and graduated from the library school at UC Berkeley in 1937. He worked briefly at the Los Angeles Public Library before joining the UCLA Library staff in 1938. He served as the UCLA Librarian from 1944 to 1961, director of the William Andrews Clark Memorial Library from 1944 to 1966, and became the first Dean, UCLA School of Library Service, in 1960. When he retired from UCLA in 1966, the campus's main library was named in his honor. A prolific author, Powell's writings include books and articles on a variety of topics including literature, librarianship, the book trade, California history, and travel. He served as professor-in-residence at the University of Arizona from 1971, and was awarded an Honorary Life Membership in the American Library Association in 1981. He died in February (?) 2001.  
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Powell, Lawrence Clark, 1906-2001 -- Archives  
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Offprints  
Pamphlets  

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**Box 1**  
**UCLA Librarian June 1966**  
Scope and Contents note  
LCP's retirement (pp. 1-2)  

**Box 1**  
**UCLA Magazine December 1944**  
Scope and Contents note  
LCP as new head librarian (pp. 5, 14-16)
Box 1  

**Occidental College Alumnus Winter 1967**
Scope and Contents note
"The Elements of a Good Librarian." Article by LCP (pp. 1-7)

Box 1  

**The Language of the Heart 1957**
Scope and Contents note
Pamphlet. Printed by Gordon Lee at L.A. City College Press.

Box 1  

**Librarians as Readers of Books 1948**
Scope and Contents note
Printed by Frank McCaffrey for the Typophiles.

Box 1  

"A Convocation at UCLA Honoring Lawrence Clark Powell on his Retirement" 1966
Scope and Contents note
Announcement.

Box 1  

"The First Annual Hanging in Effigy of Lawrence Clark Powell" 1951
Scope and Contents note

Box 1  

"Annual Tribute Luncheon to Los Angeles Authors" 1971
Scope and Contents note
Announcement. Honoring Fay and Lawrence Clark Powell. Signed by both honorees.

Box 1  

**Music into Silence Winter 1951**
Scope and Contents note
Pamphlet reprint from *The Pacific Spectator*.

Box 1  

**This Dry and Wrinkled Land 1953**
Scope and Contents note

Box 1  

**Land of Fiction June 1953**
Scope and Contents note
Pamphlet reprint from *California Librarian*.

Box 1  

"South from Lisbon" Spring 1968
Scope and Contents note
Offprint from Southwest Review.

Box 1  

"A Tribute to Bradford Booth" Summer 1970
Scope and Contents note
Offprint from *Modern Fiction Studies*.

Box 1  

**Charles Fletcher Lummis and The Land of Sunshine January 1970**
Scope and Contents note
Pamphlet reprint from *Westways*.

Box 1  

"The Free Flow of Books" October 15, 1951
Scope and Contents note
Offprint from *Library Journal*.
Box 1  "Who is B. Traven?" August 2, 1938
Scope and Contents note
Article clipped from New Masses.

Box 1  The Sense of the Past December 1958
Scope and Contents note
Pamphlet reprint from Historical Society of Southern California Quarterly.

Box 1  Resources of Western Libraries for Research in History, September 1942
Scope and Contents note
Pamphlet reprint from Pacific Historical Review. Inscribed "To Jake [Zeitlin], 9-30-42".

Box 1  Stop Thief! December 1953
Scope and Contents note
Offprint from Wilson Library Bulletin.

Box 1  From Private Collection to Public Institution April 1950
Scope and Contents note
Pamphlet reprint from Library Quarterly.

Box 1  Three Loves Have I February 26, 1955
Scope and Contents note
Pamphlet reprint from Michigan Alumnus Quarterly Review. Inscribed "To J Z[eilin]".

Box 1  Recollections of an Ex-Bookseller undated
Scope and Contents note
Pamphlet. Published by Zeitlin & Ver Brugge.

Box 1  Checklist of the Published Writings of Lawrence Clark Powell. 1966
Scope and Contents note
Compiled by Betty Rosenberg. Slip inserted: "This is one of the copies presented . . . to those attending a Convocation in honor of Dean L. C. Powell," June 11, 1966.

Box 1  Remarks on the Occasion of the Dedication of the Addition to the Mary Norton Clapp Library Pamphlet. January 20, 1971
Scope and Contents note
Occidental College.

Box 1  Vroman's of Pasadena October 1953
Scope and Contents note
Pamphlet.

Box 1  Lea, Tom. Maud Durlin Sullivan 1962
Scope and Contents note
Pamphlet. Foreword by LCP. Printed by Carl Hertzog.

Box 1  Landscapes and Bookscapes of California 1958
Scope and Contents note
Pamphlet. Friends of the Bancroft Library.
Box 1  
**Durrell, Lawrence. *A Landmark Gone* 1949**
Scope and Contents note
Pamphlet. Note by LCP. Printed by Reuben Pearson.

Box 1  
**The Example of Miss Edith L. Coulter 1969**
Scope and Contents note

Box 1  
"Policy and Administration" in *Rare Books in the University Library* 1948
Scope and Contents note

Box 1  
**Essences of Britain 1950**
Scope and Contents note
General note
2 copies

Box 1  
**The Prospect Before Us 1963**
Scope and Contents note
Pamphlet. The Book Club of California. Printed by the Grabhorn Press.

Box 1  
**Libraries in the Southwest 1961**
Scope and Contents note
Edited by LCP. UCLA Occasional Papers Number 3.

Box 1  
**The Southwest of the Bookman 1959**
Scope and Contents note
Collected by LCP. UCLA Occasional Papers Number 11.

Box 1  
"Around the World in Sixty Books" 1960
Scope and Contents note
Typed pamphlet. UCLA Library.

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Box 1  
"To Touch or Not To Touch" September 1958
Scope and Contents note
Offprint from ALA Bulletin.

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Box 1  
"Book Arts Club Will Hold Meeting." Clipping from the *Daily Californian* March 23, 1937
Scope and Contents note
"Dr. Lawrence Clark Powell, graduate student in the school of librarianship, will speak on Ward Ritchie and his private press."

Box 1  
Photograph of John Steinbeck display, "annotated by Lawrence Clark Powell"
| Box 1 | "Expansion and Change," *Annual Report of the Libraries of the University of California* 1956-1957 |
|       | Scope and Contents note |
|       | Note clipped to cover, "Dr. Powell must have helped Mr. Voigt write this report." |
| Box 1 | Booklet listing "Gifts Received" by the University of California 1936-1937 |
|       | Scope and Contents note |
|       | Inscribed "To JZ from LP. See p. 4-5." |
| Box 1 | *Make Mine a Small One* 1965 |
|       | Scope and Contents note |
|       | Peacock Press. |
| Box 1 | Ritchie, Ward, "Some Recollections," AB January 22, 1990 |
| Box 1 | "Well Stacked", *Westways* May 1977 |
| Box 1 | "Go Forth and Be Useful: Valedictory Address of the Dean to the Class of 1962," School of Library Science, UCLA’ 1962 |
| Box 1 | "John E. Goodwin, Founder of the UCLA Library. An Essay Toward Bibliography" 1972 |
| Box 1 | *Ex Libris Lawrence Clark Powell* 1992 |
|       | Scope and Content |
|       | Catalog Three, Books West Southwest |
| Box 1 | "An Islandian on the Islands" by Austin T. Wright, introduced by Lawrence Clark Powell 1930 December 9 |