

COLLECTIONS OF CORRESPONDENCE AND MANUSCRIPT DOCUMENTS

NAME OF COLLECTION: Ellen MOERS Papers

SOURCE: Transferred from School of Library Service, 1974;

Gift Ellen Moers, 1976; Gift of Martin Mayer, 1980; 1981; 1983

SUBJECT: Theodore Dreiser; Women writers; New York Public Library

DATES COVERED: 1945 - 1979 NUMBER OF ITEMS: ca. 14,000

STATUS: (check appropriate description)
Cataloged: x Listed: x Arranged: x Not organized:

CONDITION: (give number of vols., boxes, or shelves)
Bound: Boxed: 56 Stored:
2 oversized bundles

LOCATION: (Library) Rare Books and Manuscript Lib. CALL-NUMBER Ms Coll/Moers

RESTRICTIONS ON USE None

DESCRIPTION: The literary papers and some related corresponded of Ellen Moers, 1928-1979, author and educatio. Included are typescript drafts, notes, photocopies of Theodore Dreiser letters and manuscripts, and correspondence related to writing, editing and publishing Two Dreisers (N.Y., Viking, 1969). Revisions of this namuscript contain extensive editorial notes, instructions and annotations by Moers's editors, Malcolm Cowley.

The photocopies of printed materials consist cheiefly of articles written by Dreiser for newspapers and magazines, especially Ev'ry Month. For Moers's book, Literary Women (Garden City, N.Y., Doubleday, 1976), there are typescript drafts, notes the setting copy and profs. In addition there are letters, notes, drafts and printed material for her article of the New York Public Review of Books.

The 1980 addition includes correspondence, manuscripts notes, drafts, photographs, clippings and other printed material for her books, book reviews, articles, and lectures. Also included are books inscribed to Moers and books on Women authors and feminism with her notes.

The 1981 addition is similar as is the 1983.

FOR A LIST OF CATALOGED CORRESPONDENCE AND COLLECTION SEE FOLLOWING PAGES.

HR - rev. 10/80
BRC rev. 12/80
HR - Rev. 8/81
HR - rev. 1/84

Ellen Moers Papers: Cataloged Correspondence in Two Dreisers - 1

Cyril Clemens
Malcolm Cowley
Ernst L. Freud
Arnold Gingrich
Richard Hofstadter
Alfred Kazin

Cataloged correspondence - 1981 addition

Quentin Bell
John Berryman
Malcolm Cowley
Elizabeth Hardwick
John Hollander
Irving Howe
Elizabeth Janeway
Erica Jong
Bertrand de Jouvenel des Ursins
Alfred Kazin
Frank Kermode
Edward I. Koch
David Levine
Jonathan Miller
Victor de Pange
John Harold Plumb
Norman Podhoretz
Bayard Rustin
Lionel Trilling
Angus Wilson

Cataloged correspondence - 1983 addition

Frederick W. Dupee
Erica Jong
Alfred Kazin
Norman Podhoretz
Justin O'Brien
Lionel Trilling
Angus Wilson
Ellen Moers (Diary)

PHOTOCOPIES OF DREISER LETTERS, MANUSCRIPTS AND RELATED PRINTED MATERIAL

Two Dreisers - (folders 1-6) Ms. Flat Box Series #204 (in large manila envelopes numbered in red)

(Note permission for use of manuscript materials must of course come from the libraries which own the materials and made the copies.)

1. Magazine contributions 1899-1905

by Dreiser under his own and pen-names and by Arthur Henry, with whom TD collaborated on all maga. work at this time.

Rough list: Camera Club; Horseless Age; Notable Colony; NY--Boston by Trolley; Ward on Sculpture; Silent Worker; Loneliness of City; National Food Reform; Elmer Gates.

Note: check my own & other (Pizer) bibliogs.) TD's involvement with the above articles substantiated by his correspondence with editors, U.Pa., if by no other source.

These articles appeared in magazines not available in New York library. All copies made at Library of Congress.

2. Dreiser / Elmer Gates correspondence -- complete
U. of Pa.3. Tolstoy: What to Do? in Isabel Hapgood translation (the one read by TD) (not at Columbia) — a section
NYPL4. Early Dreiser bibliographies from various sources (now presumably supplanted by Donald Pizer checklist in PROOF I (1971) ed. J. Katz from Donald Pizer: Cl. Barrett Coll.--TD holdings
Draft of Checklist

Miller checklist (1947)

Moers checklist of Columbia Mss. holdings of people touching on TD's career

Vrest Orton: Notes to add to a TD bibliog.

5. SISTER CARRIE Manuscript -- a selection of key passages (including some in Arthur Henry's hand)
NYPL
Marginal notes: Moers6. EVERY MONTH -- maga ed. by TD 1895--97 (no complete run available anywhere: LC copy long missing (ignore other Union List info.--all inaccurate); copies not of complete issues but of material important re TD: his editorials, pen-name articles & captions, etc. U.Pa. holdings (filed from Ruth run) paginated by Moers as follows:
MORE PAGES MAGA PAGES
1--6 & 7-8: Sept. 1896 (2--7 & 22-23)
9--14: Oct. 1896 (2--7)
15--23: Nov. 1896 (2--7, 16-17, 22)
24--27: Dec. 1896 (/p.4 of maga. missing/ 5--7, 10)
28--34: Jan. 1897 (2--7 & 31)6 (cont.): U.Pa. Every Month copies

Moers pages	Maga dates and pages
35--42:	Feb. 1897 (2--7 & 22-23)
43--48:	March 1897 (2--6 & 25)
49--50:	April 1897 (20-21)
51--52:	May 1897 (20-21)
53--54:	June 1897 (20-21)
55:	July 1897 (20)

A LIST OF BOXES IN THE ELLEN MOERS COLLECTIONTwo Dreisers - 1

Correspondence relating to the book; arranged alphabetically by correspondent's name; all letters concerning Ev'ry Month are filed by correspondent's name also, but in the "E" folder there is a list cross indexing these names.
(for list of cataloged correspondents in this box, see list on verso of description sheet)

Two Dreisers - 2

Typescript draft, part 1

Two Dreisers - 3

Typescript draft, part 2

Typescript carbon ("non-final" draft with extensive notes and annotations by Malcolm Cowley)

Two Dreisers - 4

Checking notes

Typescript draft revisions (with editorial comments and notes by Malcolm Cowley)

Notes

Proofs

Two Dreisers - 5

Typescript; final draft with revision by Moers

Two Dreisers - 6

Notes: Dreiser before Sister Carrie and Sister Carrie notes

Two Dreisers - 7

Notes: Science (Dreiser's science reading and relations with scientists)

Two Dreisers - 8

Notes: American Tragedy and post-Sister Carrie life and works ("major topic: Dreiser's Protestant [maternal] background")

Please note: Two Dreisers 6,7 and 8 contain typed notes, photocopies, clippings and reports on printed and manuscript materials arranged by topics.

PHOTOCOPIES OF DREISER LETTERS, MANUSCRIPTS AND RELATED PRINTED MATERIAL cont.Two Dreisers - (folders 7-12) Ms. Flat Box Series #204

7. "New" Ev'ry Month issues found by Moers: labeled EV MO AD. STARR
 Issues in the collection of the late Dr. Saul Starr, who permitted copies to be made; present loc. of issues unknown.
Moers pages: new series ("Ad")/ Mags dates & pages
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|---------|--|
| 1--16: | June 1896 (cover, 3--6, 12-13, 16-17, 21-22, 26-30) |
| 17--40: | August 1897 (cover, title p., 2--6, 10--21, 25--27, 31-32) |
| 41--51: | Sept. 1897 (cover, title, 5, 9, 14--22--24) |
| 52--63: | Oct. 1897 (4-5, 9--12, 21--23, 30--3) |
| 64--71: | March 1898 (4-5, 11--13, 24--26) |
| 72--76: | Aug. 1899 (cover, 1--4) |
8. "New" EV'RY MONTH issues found by Moers: labeled EV MO BROWN
 Issues found (in stacks) by librarian at Brown University, from w
 copies come. Some pages duplicate or supplement above material
 in more readable form.
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| 77-- 28102 98; 99-- | Aug. 1896 (cover & ads ¹⁻⁻ 22; 27--36) |
| 108 | (including TD's 1st maga fiction: "Forgotten |
| 109--115: | Feb. 1897 (28-9; 35--39) |
| 116--122: | July 1897 (4; 13; 17--19; 30-31) |
| 123--126: | Feb. 1898 (2--5) |
9. "New" EV'RY MONTH issues found by U. Pa.
 Issues found as result of renewed E. Westlake search in late
 1960s.
 Complete issues (?) not paginated by Moers:
 April 1896
 July 1896
10. TD Ms. of NEWSPAPER DAYS (TD title for 1st. vol. of his autobiog.,
 called A BOOK ABOUT MYSELF)
 Pages numbered by Moers as explained in hand-written notes in
 back of envelope: collation with published book sections referring
 to real-life "Hurstwood in New York" material -- with unpublished
 ("new") material in Ms. indicated and subject index.
 Ms. in U. Pa.
11. Articles by various hands on Dreiser -- offprints & tearsheets
 sent to Moers
 Anzilotti on TD's sources (inc Henry James); on unpubd. Ital. secti
 of Traveler at 40
 Wagner on TD style
 Phillips on TD imagery
 Gerber on Genesis of Genius
 Moers on Finesse of Dreiser
 Pizer on drafts of Nigger Jeff story

PHOTOCOPIES OF DREISER LETTERS, MANUSCRIPTS AND RELATED PRINTED MATERIALS contTwo Dreisers - 10 (folders 7-12 continued) OVERSIZED BUNDLE

11 (cont.) Articles on Dreiser (cont.)

Sender on TD Science & pseudo-science

Moers on Spec Coll TD Holdings (NY 1890s -- Howells -- maga ms.)

Moers on TD centennial (with JW Johnson, Sloan, S. Crane)

Saul Bellow (interview) on TD

12. DREISER CENTENNIAL memorabilia

Terre Haute centennial

U. Pa. Rosenbach lectures (Pizer & Elias) and program,
stories re other events in Phila.

Boston review (Frohock)

Literary Women - 1

Typescript drafts and notes for Chapters 1 - 9

Literary Women - 2

Typescript drafts and notes for Chapters 10 - 11

Proofs

Literary Women - 3

Setting copy

New York Public Library Financial Crisis, 1972-73. (one box)

1980 addition - 5 boxes. Correspondence, manuscripts, notes, drafts, photographs, clippings, and other printed materials for her books, book reviews, articles, and lectures. Among her subjects are: Anne Bradstreet, Jane Carlyle, Willa Cather, Theodore Dreiser, 1876 lecture, George Eliot, F. Scott Fitzgerald, Gothic novels, Literary women, Sylvia Plath, Adrienne Rich, Theodore Roosevelt, George Sand, Elizabeth Stevenson, Mary Shelley, Harriet Beecher Stowe, and Mark Twain.

4 boxes. Books on women authors and feminism.

1 box. Books inscribed to Ellen Moers.

Ellen Moers Papers
1981 addition

- Correspondence:
- Box 1 1960 - 1970, A - Z; 1971 - 1973, A - D
- Box 2 1971 - 1973, F - N
- Box 3 1971 - 1973, N - Z
- Box 4 1974, A - Z
- Box 5 1975, A - Z; 1976, A - D
- Box 6 1976, E - Z
- Box 7 1977, A - Z
- Box 8 1978, A - Z
- Box 9 Course notes & other notes: A - C
- Box 10 Course notes & other notes: D - T
- Box 11 Course notes: American literature & freshman seminar
- Box 12 Course notes: American literature & freshman seminar
Victorian novel
- Box 13 Course notes: Victorian novel
- Box 14 Courses: 1969-1972; 1975-1977
- Box 15 Literary women (notes for her book): "American Women"
- Box 16 Literary women: "American Women"
Anchor setting copy (proofs)
- Box 17 Literary women: "Genl. lit. women"
"Late/20th c. lit. women"
- Box 18 Literary women: "The novel early women Eng. Fr."
- Box 19 Literary women: "The novel early women Eng. Fr."
"Sand/Fr."
- Box 20 Literary women: "Sand/Fr."
- Box 21 Literary women: "Victorian lit. women"
- Box 22 Literary women: "Victorian lit. women"
- Box 23 Two Dreisers: manuscript
Vassar College notes: French - 1945-1948
- Box 24 World tour: 1978
- Box 25 Printed: Books & periodicals with her notes & contributions, or which were
& 26 inscribed to her

Ellen Moers Papers
1983 addition

Box 1 Correspondence: 1979 A - Z

Subject & title file:

Box 2 [Anglo-American study of mid-19th cent. fiction] - new book
"The Angry Young Women." ("Literary Women.")
Bradstreet, Anne
Bulwer-Lytton, Edward G.E.L.
Cather, Willa & Colette
Cruikshank, George

Box 3 The Dandy: Brummell to Beerbohm.
Dickens, Charles
Dickinson, Emily

Box 4 Dreiser, Theodore

Box 5 "Female Gothic: Monsters, Goblins, Freaks."
"Feminism and Literature."
"The 'Feminization' of American Culture in the Centennial Period."
Fitzgerald, F. Scott
Guggenheim and other awards
Johnson, James Weldon
Lewes, George Henry

Box 6 "Literary Economics in the 1890's: Golden Boys for Sale."
Literary Women.
"Literary Women of the 70's."
McClure, Samuel Sidney
Moers, Ellen - vitae
"Money, the Job, and Little Women."

Box 7 Notable American Women.
Roosevelt, Theodore
Sand, George
Staël, Mme de
Stowe, Harriet Beecher
"Women's Lit: Profession and Tradition."
Wollstonecraft, Mary

Reviews by Ellen Moers:

Box 8 & 9 A - Z