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# Guide to the H. L. Mencken Collection

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## Collection Overview

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**CALL NUMBER:** YCAL MSS 794

**CREATOR:** Mencken, H. L. (Henry Louis), 1880-1956

**TITLE:** H. L. Mencken collection

**DATES:** 1905-1972

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 9.09 linear feet (26 boxes)

**LANGUAGE:** English

**SUMMARY:** The H. L. Mencken Collection consists of writings, correspondence, and other material by and relating to the American author H. L. Mencken. Works documented in the collection include early poems, short works of opinion and journalism, and longer books such as *The American Language* (New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 1919) and *Treatise on the Gods* (New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 1930). Writings consist of drafts in various stages, setting manuscripts, and proofs, many of which are corrected. Several manuscripts are signed and inscribed by Mencken to journalist and collector Bradford F. Swan. Correspondence is chiefly outgoing and relates to the themes that are prominent in Mencken's writings (American politics, language, and society) as well as to the business of Mencken's writing. In addition to writings and correspondence by Mencken, the collection includes writings about Mencken, particularly the work of Margaret Lappin, sister of his longtime secretary, Rosalind Lohrfinck.

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## Requesting Instructions

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Key to the container abbreviations used in the PDF finding aid:

b.      box

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## Administrative Information

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### Immediate Source of Acquisition

The collection is primarily a gift of Bradford F. Swan, 1947-1952, and bequest of Margaret R. Lappin, 1973. For further information consult the appropriate curator.

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### Conditions Governing Access

The materials are open for research.

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### Processing Information

Former call numbers: Za Mencken, Uncat Za Ms Mencken, Uncat Za File Mencken, Za M524 +G1.

Collections are processed to a variety of levels, depending on the work necessary to make them usable, their perceived research value, the availability of staff, competing priorities, and whether or not further accruals are expected. The library attempts to provide a basic level of preservation and access for all collections [as they are acquired], and does more extensive processing of higher priority collections as time and resources permit.

This collection received a basic level of processing, including rehousing and minimal organization, in 2014. Various acquisitions associated with the collection have not been merged and organized as a whole.

Information included in the Description of Papers note and Collection Contents section is drawn from information supplied with the collection and from an initial survey of the contents. Folder titles appearing in the contents list below are often based on those provided by the creator or previous custodian. Titles have not been verified against the contents of the folders in all cases. Otherwise, folder titles are supplied by staff during initial processing.

This finding aid may be updated periodically to account for new acquisitions to the collection and/or revisions in arrangement and description.

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### Related Materials

Associated material: Margaret Lappin papers relating to H.L. Mencken (YCAL MSS 376). Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library.

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## H. L. Mencken (1880-1956)

Henry Louis Mencken (1880-1956), American journalist and author; his books include *The American Language* (New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 1919) and *Treatise on the Gods* (New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 1930).

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### Scope and Contents

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## **Arrangement**

Organized into two groupings: I. Acquisitions Prior to 1973. II. 1973 Acquisition.

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## Collection Contents

### 1: Acquisitions Prior to 1973

5.63 linear feet (14 boxes)

Former call number: Za Mencken.

Not arranged in any particular order.

b.1	<i>A Book of Prefaces</i> , draft, typescript 2 folders	1917
b.1	"Address of H. L. Mencken at the dinner of the American Philosophical Society," draft, typescript carbon, signed	1948 November 4
b.1	"The advance of honorific science," draft, typescript, corrected	undated
b.1	"The American language," drafts, typescript carbon	1945
b.1	"The American language: Hell and its outskirts," draft, typescript carbon	1948
b.1	"American literature," draft, typescript, signed	1931
b.1	"American profanity," draft, typescript carbon	1944
b.1	"The American scene," draft, typescript carbon, corrected	1927
b.1	"The Anglo-Saxon," printed version, corrected and signed	1924, undated
b.1	[Answers to questions sent by Roger Butterfield of <i>Life</i> ], typescript carbon, annotated	1946 June
b.1	[Articles written for the <i>Baltimore Evening Sun</i> ], drafts, typescript carbon, signed	1948 September- November
b.1	"Auroral," draft, typescript	1898?
b.1	[Author's note for <i>The Days of H. L. Mencken</i> ], drafts, typescript carbon	1947
b.1	"A beautiful worm turns," draft, typescript carbon	1934 July 4
b.1	"Bulletin on Hon.," draft, typescript carbon	1946
b.1	"Days of change," draft, typescript carbon	1929 July
b.1	"Days of innocence: Memories of obituary orgies," drafts, typescript and typescript carbon	1943
b.1	"Days of innocence: The spirit of service," draft, typescript carbon	1943 July 5-9
b.1	"Days of innocence: Surdi audiunt," draft, typescript carbon	1943 May 3-4
b.1	"Designations for colored folk," draft, typescript carbon	undated
b.1	"Disaster in Moronia," draft, typescript carbon	1939 May 19
b.1	"The end of Prohibition," printed version, corrected	1932 June 30

b. 1	"Etymological notes," draft, typescript	1947 July
b. 1	"Finale of the Rogues' March," printed version, corrected	1926
b. 1	"The fireplace in the downstairs sitting room," draft, typescript carbon, corrected	1945
b. 1	"Footnote on criticism," printed version, corrected and signed	1922
b. 1	"The Green Mountains," draft, typescript carbon	1931 July 10
b. 2	"H. L. Mencken, by H. L. Mencken," draft, typescript carbon	1923 October 12-15
b. 1	"Home to roost," draft, typescript carbon, corrected	1948 July 29-30
b. 1	"Huneker: A memory," printed version, corrected and signed	1922
b. 1	"The husbandman," printed version, corrected and signed	1924
b. 1	"Killers," draft, typescript, corrected	1928
b. 1	"The language of the flour-mill," draft, typescript	1948
b. 1	"Leaves from a diary," draft, typescript carbon	1934 October 11
b. 1	"Lecture at Cooper Union, New York," draft, typescript, signed	1939
b. 1	"The life of an artist," draft, typescript carbon	1948 January 17-18
b. 1	"Maryland," draft, typescript carbon	undated
b. 1	"Metamorphosis," draft, typescript carbon	1934 April 18-19
b. 1	"Names for Americans," draft, typescript, corrected	1947 July 8
b. 1	"New Deal No. 1," printed version, corrected	1934 December 31
b. 1	[Note concerning the beginning of <i>American Speech</i> ], draft, typescript carbon	1945 December
b. 1	[Note on impersonal causation], draft, typescript, corrected	undated
b. 1	[Note on journalism], draft, typescript, signed	undated
b. 1	[Note on recent coinages of words in England, with vocabulary], draft, typescript, corrected	1944 February
b. 1	[Notes on American given names], draft, typescript	1943
b. 1	"On passing the island of San Salvador," fair copy, typescript	1905
b. 1	"Proposed changes in the treatise on right and wrong," notes, typescript carbon	1948
b. 1	"Preface" [to Dreiser's <i>An American Tragedy</i> ], drafts, typescript carbon	1946 January 27
b. 1	"Preface to the revised edition" [of <i>Treatise on the Gods</i> ], drafts, typescript carbon	1946
b. 1	[Review of] <i>American College Dictionary</i> , draft, typescript, corrected	undated

b. 1	[Review of] <i>American Names</i> , draft, typescript carbon, corrected	1948 February 10
b. 1	[Review of] <i>American Sayings</i> , draft, typescript carbon	1946 July
b. 1	[Review of] <i>The English Dictionary from Cawdrey to Johnson</i> , drafts, typescript, corrected, and typescript carbon	1946 July 8
	[Review of] "Meditation," by Major Owen Hatteras, D.S.O. [pseudonym], draft, typescript carbon Stored in: Oversize Box 21.	1919 April
b. 1	[Review of] <i>Names on the Land</i> , drafts, typescript carbon	1945
b. 1	[Review of] <i>Teaching English Usage</i> , drafts, typescript, corrected, and typescript carbon	1948
b. 1	[Review of] The surnames of Scotland, drafts, typescript, corrected, and typescript carbon	1946
b. 1	"The ruins of Carthage," draft, typescript carbon, corrected	1934
b. 1	"The Sahara of the Bozart," printed version, corrected	1920, 1947
b. 1	"Stare decisis," draft, typescript carbon	1944 July 1-8
b. 1	"Verbs new and old," draft, typescript carbon	1947
b. 1	"Why I eschew the theatre," drafts, typescript carbon	1946-1947
b. 1	"The worship of muscle," draft, typescript carbon	1931 March 25
	"Treatise on the Gods"	undated
b. 3	Setting manuscript <i>5 Folders</i>	undated
b. 4	Galley proofs <i>2 Folders</i>	1946
	"The American language: Supplement I"	undated
b. 5	First draft, typescript, corrected <i>2 folders</i>	undated
b. 5	Draft, typescript carbon <i>3 folders</i>	undated
b. 6	Revised draft, typescript carbon, corrected and signed <i>3 folders</i>	undated
b. 6	Proofs	undated
b. 7	Proofs, corrected	undated
	"The American language: Supplement II"	
b. 8	Excerpts, drafts, typescript and carbon <i>3 folders</i>	undated



## "The American language: Supplement II" (continued)

b. 8	Draft, typescript, signed	1947
b. 8	Errata, draft, typescript, corrected	1948 May 23- June 3
b. 9	Proofs 3 folders	1948 March 22
b. 9	"A new dictionary of quotations"	
b. 10	Revisions for second printing, page proofs	undated
b. 10	Revisions for third printing, plate proofs	1946 May
b. 10	Letters to Bradford F. Swan 7 folders	1928-1948 March 22
b. 11	Letters to Bradford F. Swan 3 folders	1948 April 1- 1956
b. 11	Letters to H. Glenn Brown	1946
b. 11	Letters to Henry Seidel Canby	1933-1936
b. 11	Letter to unidentified recipient, rejecting a submission to <i>Smart Set</i>	[no year] November 29
b. 11	Letters to Mr. Duren	[1925?]
b. 11	Letters to Roger S. Eggleston	1945-1946
b. 11	Letter to Mr. Emmons	1928 September 7
b. 11	Telegram to John R. Frazier	1946 December 31
b. 11	Letter to Isaac Goldberg	1935 August 8
b. 11	Letter to Marion Bloom	1922 January 11
b. 11	Letter to Mr. Leippert	1927
b. 11	Letter to Amy Loveman	[193-] January 23
b. 11	Note to Michael Monahan	1920 March 12
b. 11	Letter to Dr. Myerson	1933 March 11
b. 11	Letter to Mrs. Duncan	[no year] October 26
b. 11	Agreement between H. L. Mencken, Cinema (Canada) Pictures Limited, and John Labatt concerning film rights to A Neglected Anniversary, negative photostat of typescript	undated
b. 11	Letters to Alfred L. S. Wood	1924-1926

b. 11	Letters to Mr. [Robert] Lull	1941-1944
b. 11	Obituary of H. L. Mencken, by Bradford F. Swan, galley proof	1950
b. 11	"Back of Brimstone Corner," by Bradford F. Swan, galley proofs	1951
b. 11	Obituary profile of H. L. Mencken, by Malcolm Johnson, draft, typescript	undated
b. 11	Letters to George R. Hyde	1923, 1926
b. 11	Letter to Mr. Epstein	1927
b. 11	Letter to Louis Adamic	1926 September 23
b. 11	Letters to Pat [Knopf]	1934
b. 11	Letter to [Alfred] Knopf	[1921] February 21
b. 11	Letter to A. A. Knopf	[1921] February 7
b. 11	"The rondeau of riches," fair copy, typescript	undated
b. 11	Letters to Nesbit	undated
b. 11	Letter to Miss Sieve	1927 December 6
b. 11	Letter to Mr. Spier	1921 March 5
b. 11	<a href="#">Letters to the Princess Troubetzkoy [Amélie Rives]</a>	1921-1922
b. 11	Manuscript inscription on the stationery of Howes Norris, Jr.	1918 April 18
b. 11	Postcard to Mr. Thompson	[no year] July 20
b. 11	Letters to unidentified recipient.	undated
b. 11	Letters to Dudley Nichols	1928-1943
b. 11	"The Library," draft, typescript, reviews, and page proofs	undated
b. 11	Baltimore Sun articles on the Johns Hopkins hospital by H. L. Mencken	1937
b. 11	"Making a Mencken Collection," by Bradford F. Swan, typescript	circa 1949
b. 11	Letters from Julian P. Boyd to Bradford F. Swan	1948
b. 11	Untitled undergraduate thesis on H. L. Mencken, by Wheeler Sammons, Jr., typescript	circa 1947
b. 11	Press releases concerning H. L. Mencken and his books, from the Associated Press, Alfred A. Knopf, and Thomas Y. Crowell Company, typescript and typescript carbon	undated
b. 11	Article on terms in the argot of the American stage, written for <i>Theatre Arts</i> , draft, typescript carbon	undated

b. 11	Overture to Charles Honce's <i>For Loving a Book</i> , draft, typescript carbon	1945 June 29
b. 11	Note for Knopf catalog, concerning the revised edition of Mencken's <i>Treatise on the Gods</i> , typescript carbon	1945 November 4
b. 11	Articles for <i>Word Study</i> , drafts, typescript carbon	1946 May
b. 11	Article on Norman Thomas, draft, typescript carbon	1948 October 17
b. 11	Speech prepared for a public dinner on the retirement of Judge Eugene O'Dunne, draft, typescript	1945 June 25
b. 11	Answers to a questionnaire prepared for the Toronto Saturday Night, draft, typescript carbon, corrected	1947 July
b. 11	Foreword to Burges Johnson's <i>The lost art of profanity</i> , draft, typescript carbon	1948 June 11
b. 11	Rejected first title page for the 4th edition of <i>The American language</i> , with proof of revised version	undated
b. 11	Letters to H. L. Mencken from Burton Bascoe and Meredieth Janvier	1929, 1945
b. 12	"A Mencken chrestomathy," draft, typescript carbon, corrected	1949
b. 13	Address on the H. L. Mencken Collection, by Bradford F. Swan, typescript and carbon	circa 1949
b. 13	Bradford F. Swan correspondence and papers	
b. 13	Kaiser, Clara Huston	1945-1950
b. 13	Brown, Lloyd A.	1949
b. 13	Eggleston, Roger	1946
b. 13	Black, Robert K.	1945-1946
b. 13	Lists of Swan's Mencken collection	1945
b. 13	Letters from Meredith Janvier to Bradford F. Swan	1930-1933
b. 13	Bradford F. Swan correspondence concerning his H. L. Mencken collection	1945-1950
b. 13	Coat of arms. Pencil drawing.	undated
b. 13	Interview on music, draft, typescript, corrected	undated
b. 13	Letters to Mr. Kelley	1939 October
b. 13	Address to the XXV Club of Providence at Hope Club, by Bradford F. Swan, typescript, corrected	1955
b. 13	Letters to Ben Abramson	1941, 1943
b. 13	Letter to Mr. Callahan	[no year] October 19
b. 13	Letters to Fania Marinoff <i>2 folders</i>	1928-1955

b. 13	[Receipt, acknowledging payment for the story "When magic met muscle"]	1901 January 5
b. 13	Letters to Joseph Smith Fletcher	1931-1934
b. 13	Letter to Madeleine Boyd	[no year] March 2
b. 13	Letter to Isaac Goldberg	1925 December 29
b. 13	Letter to Witter Bynner	1923 September 18
b. 13	Card inscribed to James Waldo Fawcett	1921 [December 24]
b. 13	"Henry Louis Mencken: Critic of his times," senior thesis, Princeton University, typescript carbon	1956 April 4
b. 13	"The American Language: Supplement I," footnote, typescript	undated
b. 13	"The current suffixes," draft, typescript	
b. 13	"Taxicab drivers," draft, typescript carbon	undated
b. 13	Letters to Nils F. Brown	1925-1956
b. 13	[List of foreign translations of the works of H. L. Mencken], typescript	undated
b. 13	Letters to Willard Huntington Wright <i>6 folders</i>	1909-1935
b. 13	Letters to Bradford F. Swan <i>3 folders</i>	1950-1957
b. 13	Letters to Pat O'Mara	[1930]-1946
b. 13	Bradford F. Swan Mencken Collection bookplates	undated
b. 14	Bradford F. Swan Mencken Collection bookplates, two metal printing plates	undated
b. 14	Liberian flag, silk, 4" by 5"	
b. 22	"Old Dr. Mencken's Hell Salts," metal canister containing an unidentified powder	undated
b. 23	Siegel, John F. Crayon sketch of H. L. Mencken	circa 1923 June
b. 23	Hood, Richard. Engraving plate of H. L. Mencken, with proofs	1930
b. 23	Photograph of Bradford F. Swan and H. L. Mencken	undated
b. 23	Photograph of a cow by H. L. Mencken, in an envelope addressed to Carl Van Vechten	1941
b. 24	Rosenshine, Annette, bronze caricature of H. L. Mencken	
b. 26	<a href="#">Photographs of H. L. Mencken</a> <i>8 Folders</i>	1910s-1930s

**2: 1973 Acquisition***1.96 linear feet (6 boxes)*

Material filed under this heading was willed by Rosalind Lohrfinck, Mencken's secretary, to Margaret Lappin, before it was acquired by the Yale University Library in 1973.

Former call number: Uncat Za MS Mencken.

Organized under five headings: Writings of H. L. Mencken, Correspondence of H. L. Mencken, Material Relating to Margaret Lappin's Writings on Mencken, Margaret Lappin and Rosalind Lohrfinck Correspondence, and Other Papers.

## Writings of H. L. Mencken

b. 15	Reporting from conventions, drafts, typescript	1948
b. 15	"Podunk," draft, typescript carbon, corrected	undated
b. 15	"Names for Americans," draft, typescript carbon, corrected	undated
b. 15	"The New Puritanism" (Part I), draft, typescript, corrected	undated
b. 15	"The birth of new verbs," drafts, typescript and typescript carbon, corrected	undated
b. 15	"Booboisie," draft, typescript, corrected	
b. 15	"The American: His language," draft, typescript carbon	1913 August
b. 15	"The American," draft, typescript carbon	1913 June
b. 15	"Secret memoirs," typescript carbon <i>5 folders</i>	undated
b. 15	"The American language," draft, typescript, corrected	undated
b. 15	"What the people of American towns call themselves," draft, typescript and typescript carbon, corrected	undated

## Correspondence of H. L. Mencken

b. 16	Joyce, James (incoming)	1915-1926
b. 16	Lohrfinck, Rosalind (outgoing) <i>2 Folders</i>	1930-1949, undated
b. 16	<a href="#">Lappin, Margaret (outgoing), including copies</a> <i>8 Folders</i>	1922-1949
b. 16	"Catherine" (outgoing)	1945 December 31
b. 16	Dr. Colston (outgoing)	1949 January 11
b. 16	Knopf, Blanche (outgoing)	1927 April 11
b. 16	Mr. Fitzell (outgoing)	1946 December 28
b. 16	Providence Journal (outgoing)	1946 January 28

## Correspondence of H. L. Mencken (continued)

b. 16	Shaw, George Bernard (outgoing)	1939 October 2
b. 16	General correspondence (outgoing), retained carbons	1926
b. 16	General correspondence (incoming)	1949, undated
Material Collected for Margaret Lappin's Writings on Mencken		
b. 17	Speeches by H. L. Mencken, drafts, typescript carbon	undated
b. 17	Various short writings by Mencken, drafts, typescript and typescript carbon	1939-1949, undated
b. 17	Notes on Mencken by Rosalind Lohrfinck	1949-1952
b. 17	Notes and documents relating to H. L. Mencken's illness	1948-1956, undated
b. 17	Margaret R. Lappin correspondence	1926-1964, undated
b. 17	Correspondence and other material relating to <i>An Unpleasant Evening with H. L. Mencken</i> 2 folders	1972
b. 17	"If we can keep the tree," by Margaret Lappin, drafts, typescript, and related correspondence	1951-1971
b. 17	"It wasn't easy to be H. L. Mencken," drafts, typescript carbon, and related correspondence	1971-1972
b. 17	"Charlatany of the learned," draft, typescript carbon, and related material 2 folders	1926-1930, 1970
b. 17	"Rosalind"	1939, 1967, undated
b. 17	"Material for Vol. II of my projected book on HLM and RCL"	undated
b. 17	"Request for microfilming"	undated
b. 17	"Vol II," draft, typescript, corrected, and related material	undated
b. 17	"Merry Christmas from Mr. Mencken," draft, typescript, and related material	1970-1971
b. 17	"Documentation"	
b. 17	Unsorted loose notes	undated
Margaret Lappin and Rosalind Lohrfinck Correspondence		
b. 18	Adler, Betty	1964-1972
b. 18	Dudek, J. B.	1958
b. 18	<a href="#">As I saw Mencken, related correspondence</a>	1957-1971

## Other Material

b. 18	<i>Yale University Library Gazette</i> , Volume 24, Number 4	1950 April
b. 18	Program for "Reunion in Vienna," The Erlanger Theatre	1931
b. 18	Program for "Three's a Crowd," Erlanger Theater	1931
b. 18	<a href="#">Photographs of H. L. Mencken</a>	1927, undated
b. 18	"The Mencken Collector," Catalogs number 1 and 2	1972-1973
b. 19	Clippings <i>11 folders</i> Also stored in: Oversize Box 21.	1912-1972
b. 20 (Oversize)	Silver plate	undated
b. 20 (Oversize)	Door knocker	undated

**Other Acquisitions***0.21 linear feet (1 box)*

Correspondence by and relating to H. L. Mencken.

Former call number: Uncat Za File Mencken

b. 25	Letters to Joseph W. Bishop	1945-1947
b. 25	Bradford F. Swan correspondence; letter from Mencken to Mr Gancher Gift of Bradford F. Swan, 1962 February.	[1933], 1951, 1960
b. 25	Bradford F. Swan correspondence relating to Mencken Gift of Bradford F. Swan, 1969.	1956-1968
b. 25	Letters from Mencken to Dr. Clara Kaiser; letter from Dr. Kaiser to Bradford Swan Gift of Bradford Swan, 1965	1928, 1964
b. 25	Letter from Mencken to Dr. John J. Mulleedy; note from Dr. Mulleedy to the Providence Journal Gift of Bradford F. Swan, 1964.	1946, 1960
b. 25	Letters to John Toohey and Alexander Woollcott Purchased from Walter Benjamin on the George B. Alvord Fund, 1965.	undated
b. 25	Letters to Pierre Bosman Purchased from Kenneth W. Rendell, Inc. on the Beinecke bequest, 1974.	[1928]-1930
b. 25	Letter from Anne S. Kinsolving Brown to Bradford F. Swan Gift of Bradford F. Swan, 1973.	1973
b. 25	Letters to Carroll Frey, 1923-1924 (photocopies)	undated



**Oversize**

*0.08 linear feet (1 box)*

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b. 21 (Oversize)	Review of "Meditation" (From Acquisitions prior to 1962)	1919
b. 21 (Oversize)	Clippings (From 1973 Acquisition)	1938-1971

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## **Selected Search Terms**

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

### **Subjects**

Americanisms  
American literature -- 20th Century  
Authors, American -- 20th Century -- Archives  
English language -- United States

### **Geographic Names**

United States -- Politics and government --  
1901-1953  
United States -- Social life and customs -- 20th  
Century

### **Occupations**

Authors -- United States -- 20th Century

### **Names**

Lappin, Margaret R.  
Lohrfinck, Rosalind  
Mencken, H. L. (Henry Louis), 1880-1956  
Swan, Bradford F. (Bradford Fuller)