Preliminary Guide to the Walter Edwin Peck Papers

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Collection Overview

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CALL NUMBER: MS 390

CREATOR: Peck, Walter Edwin, 1891-1954

TITLE: Walter Edwin Peck papers

DATES: 1830-1930

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 3.5 linear feet (8 boxes)

LANGUAGE: English

SUMMARY: The papers consist almost entirely of research materials and a Ph.D. thesis

on Percy Bysshe Shelley together with typescript and galley-proofs of books about Shelley written by Walter Edwin Peck and published in 1926 and 1927. Among the small amount of personal papers are a diary for 1907, photographs, correspondence and memorabilia. Two account books from

Ashtabula, Ohio (1830-1847) are also included.

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b. box

Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Gift of Gabriel Wells in 1937.

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Preferred Citation

Walter Edwin Peck Papers. Manuscripts and Archives, Yale University Library.

Biographical / Historical

Author; M.A., Columbia, 1918; Ph.D., Oxford, 1922; 1924-1926, taught at Wesleyan University; 1926-1927, head of the English Department of Washington State College; 1927-1929 taught at Hunter College.

Scope and Contents

The Walter Edwin Peck Papers are completely unprocessed. They consist of manuscripts, typescripts, and galley proofs of writings by Peck about Percy Bysshe Shelley, notes and notebooks about Shelley compiled by Peck while at Oxford, and assorted printed matter about Shelley. These materials for the most part were used by Peck for Shelley, His Life and Work (1927) and The Complete Works of Percy Bysshe Shelley (1926; co-editor Roger Ingpen). There is also a typescript of Peck's 1922 Oxford Ph.D. thesis on Shelley, and notes and assorted papers on various other romantic poets. Also among the papers is a smaller amount of memorabilia and newspaper clippings pertaining to Peck's activities while at Ashtabula (Ohio) High School, Wooster College and Hamilton College. Included here are several scrap-books, a college yearbook, postcards and photgraphs from Italy and a small amount of correspondence. Two of the scrapbooks are account books from the 1830s and 1840s into which Peck pasted memorabilia.

Collection Contents Inventory, 1830-1847, 1882 [ca. 1900-1930]

	Oxford College Notebooks	1920-1922
b. 1	6 notebooks containing a transcription of <i>Zofloya the Moor</i> by Mrs. Charlotte Byrne	1806
b. 1	4 notebooks on Shelley	
b. 1	Notebooks and conversations with Robert Graves and Roger Ingpen	
b. 1	Loose notes on Shelley	
b. 2	Typescript of Peck's Oxford Ph.D. thesis on Shelley	1922
b. 3	Typescript of Peck's Oxford Ph.D. thesis on Shelley	1922
b. 3	Other typescripts and loose notes on Shelley	
b. 3	Will of Edwin O. Peck	1882
b. 3	Correspondence concerning research on Shelley and letters to the editot about Shelley	1915-1929
b. 3	Printed matter about Shelley	1920-1930
b. 4	Postcards and photographs from Italy	
b. 4	Notecards on Shelley	
b. 4	Typescripts, manuscripts, and notes about Shelley	
b. 4	Printed matter about Shelley	1920-1930
b. 4	Notebook on Shelley	
b. 4	Galley proofs of book by Peck on Shelley	1927(?)
b. 5	Notebook on Shelley	
	Scrapbooks	
b. 5	Bill book of Henry Harris of Ashtabula Ohio, used as scrapbook by Peck, containing clippings, memorabilia, etc.	1830-1839, 1908-1918
b. 6	Account book of unidentified Ashtabula Ohio, doctor, used as scrapbook by Peck, containing photographs, correspondence, memorabilia, etc.; and used as a diary for the year 1907	1844-1847, 1907-1920
b. 6	Blank scrapbook	
b. 6	Hamilton College yearbook	1912
b. 7	4 notebooks on Shelley	
b. 8	Galley proofs of book on Shelley	

b. 8	Printed matter on Shelley	1920-1930
b. 8	Memorabilia and newspaper clippings about Peck	1900-1930
b. 8	Scrapbook containing memorabilia	1910-1920
b. 9	Card file on Shelley	

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

Educators Literature -- History and criticism

Geographic Names

Ashtabula (Ohio)

Genres / Formats

Account books

Names

Peck, Walter Edwin, 1891-1954 Shelley, Percy Bysshe, 1792-1822