# Fugitive and Agrarian Collection Addition

# MSS 622

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# **Scope and Content Note**

This collection, 3.34 linear feet, is an addition to the Fugitive and Agrarian Collection MSS 160. It includes a wide range of items relating to the Fugitive and Agrarian groups and is especially valuable in the holdings of items from the 1980's and 1990's including correspondence, articles, book reviews, and other materials. In addition to the Fugitives and Agrarians themselves, whose biographical notes follow below, associates represented in this collection include:

William T. Bandy Richmond Croom Beatty Melvin E. Bradford Cleanth Brooks Wyatt Cooper Louise Cowan James Dickey Fellowship of Southern Writers Ford Madox Ford George Garrett Caroline Gordon M. Thomas Inge Randall and Mary Jarrell Robert Lowell David McDowell Arthur Mizener Flannery O'Connor Katherine Anne Porter Sister Bernetta Quinn Louis D. Rubin, Jr. James Seay Jesse Stuart Isabella Gardner Tate Peter Taylor Rosanna Warren Richard Weaver Eudora Welty Kathryn Worth (Mrs. W. C. Curry)

# **Biographical Notes**

#### Walter Clyde Curry

Walter Clyde Curry received his B.A. from Wofford College in 1909 and his M.A. and Ph.D. from Stanford University in 1913 and 1915, respectively. Upon his graduation from Stanford, he accepted a faculty position at Vanderbilt University in 1915 and remained until 1955, when he retired from active teaching. During the last thirteen years of his stay at Vanderbilt, he served as chairman of the English department. While at Vanderbilt, Curry was a member of the Fugitive literary group. A noted Chaucer, Shakespeare and Milton scholar, his undergraduate courses on Shakespeare were always in demand both by English majors as well as students in premedical, prelaw and engineering programs. He was awarded an honorary Litt.D. degree by Wofford College in 1952. He died in Nashville, Tennessee on October 2, 1967.

### **Donald Davidson**

Donald Davidson was a member of both the Fugitive and Agrarian groups at Vanderbilt University. He received his B.A. and M.A. degrees from Vanderbilt University and remained at the University his entire professional career (1920 - 1968) teaching English. In addition to being a teacher, Davidson enjoyed an international reputation as a poet, essayist, novelist, and critic. His first book of poems, *The Outland Piper*, was published in 1924. From 1931-1967 he spent his summers teaching at Bread Loaf School of English in Ripton, Vermont. He served in the military during World War I May 1917- June 1919. In June of 1918 he married Theresa Sherrer, a legal scholar and artist. He was a member of Phi Beta Kappa, American Folklore Society, American Academy of Political and Social Sciences, South Atlantic Modern Language Association, and the Tennessee Federation for Constitutional Government.

#### William Yandell Elliott

William Yandell Elliott received his B.A. and M.A. from Vanderbilt University in 1917 and 1920, respectively. He served on the faculty of Vanderbilt in 1920 before leaving as a Rhodes scholar for England, where he received his Ph.D. at Oxford University. While at Vanderbilt, he was an active member of the Fugitive literary group, an editor for *The Observer*, and was a member of Sigma Chi, Phi Beta Kappa, and Tau Kappa Alpha. He taught political science for several years at University of California at Berkeley before joining the Department of Government at Harvard University in 1925. He taught at Harvard for 38 years before retiring as professor of history and political science emeritus. He died on January 9, 1979 in Haywood, Virginia.

#### John Gould Fletcher

Born in Little Rock, Arkansas to a prominent family, John Gould Fletcher entered Harvard University in 1903 to study law. Following the death of his father in 1906, Fletcher withdrew from Harvard to pursue a career as a poet. Supported by the money left to him by his father, he left for Europe and settled in London where he self-published five volumes of poetry in 1913. Influenced first by Ezra Pound and then by Amy Lowell, he became well-known as an Imagist poet with the publication of five additional volumes of poetry and was featured prominently in the annual *Some Imagist Poets* anthologies. Fletcher married Florence Emily "Daisy" Arbuthnot in 1916. Influenced by the poetry of William Blake and by Oriental art and religion, Fletcher's poetry took on religious undertones for his next three volumes of poetry. He also acquired a reputation as a literary journalist and befriended T. S. Eliot. Fletcher visited Nashville, Tennessee in 1927 as a lecturer and met John Crowe Ransom. He was invited to contribute an essay to the Agrarian manifesto *I'll Take My Stand* and became a strong supporter of the Agrarian movement. He returned to Little Rock in 1933. After his divorce from Florence Arbuthnot, he married Charlie May Simon. A life-long sufferer from depression, Fletcher drowned himself in 1950.

#### **James Marshall Frank**

A member of the Fugitive literary group and a brother-in-law of Sidney Mttron Hirsch, James Marshall Frank was a successful manufacturer with an interest in literature and education. Born in Marshall County, Tennessee, Frank spent most of his life in Nashville. A graduate of George Peabody College, he taught for several years. Financial responsibilities caused him to change careers, and he accepted employment with Frank and Company, a local shirt manufacturer, where he worked for the next 50 years. He married Rose Hirsch, the sister of Sidney Hirsch, in 1902. A member of the Fugitive literary group, he volunteered the use of his home on Whitland Avenue for many of the groups meetings. He died in Nashville on November 21, 1944.

### William Coleman Frierson

William Frierson received his B.A. from Vanderbilt University in 1920 and a B.A. from Oxford University in 1922, where he studied as a Rhodes Scholar. While at Vanderbilt he was a member

of the Fugitive literary group, but his association with the group ended after 1923. He taught at the University of Mississippi.

### **Sidney Mttron Hirsch**

A graduate of Nashville's Webb Preparatory, Sidney Mttron Hirsch attended a variety of different colleges but failed to graduate. He served in the navy for a few years and toured the Far East before returning to Nashville. He left Nashville to spend a brief time in Paris, where he picked up extra money by modeling. From Paris he went to New York, where he continued his modeling career by posing for sculptures for Gertrude Vanderbilt Whitney. While in New York, he turned to writing plays without achieving much success. Upon his return to Nashville in 1913, he was successful in getting his play The Fire Regained performed for the May Festival, sponsored by the Nashville Art Association and the Board of Trade, and which made use of the full scale replica of the Parthenon built for the Tennessee Centennial in 1898. The performance brought Hirsch the renown he was looking for, but he was unable to build upon his success. Hirsch soon came in contact with Stanley Johnson, a friend of Hirsch's half-brother Nat, and with Donald Davidson, a friend of his half-sister Goldie. Johnson and Davidson soon introduced their English professor, John Crowe Ransom, to the reclusive Hirsch, and soon the four were meeting regularly to talk about poetry. The talks continued after Hirsch moved in with his brother-in-law James Frank, who volunteered the use of his house as a meeting place for the group of talented authors. It was Sidney Hirsch who first suggested publishing the growing body of poetry being produced by the group, and the title The Fugitive was selected as an embodiment of the archetypal fugitive character - an outcast with mysterious knowledge - so prevalent in poetry. Hirsch's influence with the group faded as it began to fall apart in the late 1920s with the departure of a number of the group from Nashville, while others moved away from writing poetry to other forms of literature. Hirsch died in Nashville in 1962.

### **Stanley Phillips Johnson**

Stanley Johnson received his B.S. in 1917 and his M.A. in 1921 from Vanderbilt University. He taught at Vanderbilt as Professor of English from 1921 to 1925. While at Vanderbilt, he was a member of the Fugitive literary group and published a number of poems in their magazine, *The Fugitive*. He accepted a position as professor of journalism at the University of Tennessee in 1929 and remained there until 1942. He died in Tennessee on December 1, 1946.

### **Henry Blue Kline**

Henry Blue Kline received his M.A. from Vanderbilt University in 1929. A student of John Crowe Ransom and Donald Davidson, Kline contributed an essay to the Agrarian literary group's book *I'll Take My Stand*. Kline taught at the University of Tennessee from 1930 to 1933 and then held a succession of government posts with the Civil Works Administration and the Tennessee Valley Authority. In 1944 Kline became a reporter for the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch* newspaper where he wrote editorials on a variety of topics including fair trade laws, education, tariffs, and railroad problems. After leaving the newspaper in 1949, he accepted a position with the Atomic Energy Commission. He died in 1951.

### Lyle Lanier

Lyle Hicks Lanier received his B.A. from Vanderbilt University in 1923. He received his M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from George Peabody College in 1924 and 1926, respectively. He taught

psychology at Vanderbilt from 1929 to 1938. While at Vanderbilt, he joined the Agrarians group and contributed an essay to their manifesto *I'll Take My Stand*. He served as executive vice-president and provost at the University of Illinois. After his retirement from the University of Illinois in 1971, Lanier served as director of administrative affairs and educational statistics on the American Council of Education in Washington, D.C. He died on December 31, 1988.

### **Andrew Lytle**

A member of the Agrarian group, Andrew Nelson Lytle was an author, educator, editor, and critic. He received his bachelor's degree from Vanderbilt University in 1925. After a foray into playwriting and acting, he moved into the field of biography and fiction. He contributed an essay to the ground-breaking volume *I'll Take My Stand*, and was the only member of the Agrarian group to actually support himself by farming while he wrote his novels. He served as professor of history at the University of the South and also worked as editor of the *Sewanee Review* for twelve years.

#### **Merrill Moore**

Austin Merrill Moore grew up with a strong interest in language, leading him to acquire fluency in French, Latin, Spanish, German and Greek and picking up basic skills in Hebrew, Yiddish, Maori, and Mandarin Chinese. He received his B.A. from Vanderbilt University in 1924. A poet since high school, he began to write prolifically during his time at Vanderbilt. He joined the Fugitive literary group as an undergraduate and was published frequently in their magazine, *The Fugitive*. He spent the summer of 1923 in Germany, returning to receive his bachelor's degree from Vanderbilt in 1924. The following year, he enrolled in Vanderbilt's Medical School and graduated with an M.D. in 1928. After a year's internship in Nashville, he accepted a position at the Boston City Hospital in Massachusetts. He served in the military during World War II and later became an expert psychiatrist. In addition to poetry, he began publishing articles on alcoholism and suicide and became a noted authority on these topics. He continued to produce poetry throughout his life, completing more than 50,000 poems.

#### Herman Clarence Nixon

Herman Clarence Nixon completed his academic work at Alabama Polytechnic Institute and the University of Chicago. He taught history at Vanderbilt University from 1925 to 1928. He left Vanderbilt for Tulane University where he taught from 1928 to 1938. He taught for a few years at the University of Missouri before returning to Vanderbilt as Lecturer in Political Science. While at Vanderbilt in the late 1920s, Nixon was asked by the Agrarian literary group to contribute an essay to the Agrarian manifesto *I'll Take My Stand*. Of all the Agrarians, Nixon was the most proactive in pursuing practical means for alleviating poverty in the South, serving on both the Social Science Research Council's Southern Regional Committee and the Southern Conference for Human Welfare.

#### Frank Lawrence Owsley

Frank Lawrence Owsley obtained his bachelor of science degree in 1912 from the Alabama Polytechnic Institute in Auburn, Alabama, graduating first in his class. He received his master of arts degree in history from University of Chicago in 1917. He served briefly in the armed forces during World War I, before returning to graduate work at the University of Chicago, receiving his Ph.D. in history in 1919. He joined the staff of Vanderbilt University in 1920. He was a member of the Agrarian literary group at Vanderbilt and wrote the essay entitled "The Irrepressible Conflict" for *I'll Take My Stand: the South and the Agrarian Tradition* published by Harper Brothers of New York and London in 1930. A strong supporter of Agrarian principles, he wrote and lectured on Southern history and culture for most of his life. He resigned from Vanderbilt to accept a position at the University of Alabama in 1949. He suffered a fatal heart attack while at Cambridge University on a Fulbright Fellowship in 1956.

### John Crowe Ransom

John Crowe Ransom, noted poet, critic, educator and editor, was born April 30, 1888 in Pulaski, Tennessee. He graduated from Vanderbilt University in 1909, was a Rhodes Scholar at Christ Church, Oxford, 1910-1913, and joined the faculty of Vanderbilt in 1914, where he taught English until 1937. While at Vanderbilt, Ransom was a major figure in the Fugitive and Agrarian literary groups and their publications, *The Fugitive* (1922-1925) and *I'll Take My Stand* (1930). In 1937, Ransom accepted a position at Kenyon College in Gambier, Ohio as professor of poetry and later founded and edited an important literary quarterly, *The Kenyon Review* (1939-1959). Ransom retired in 1959, but remained active in literary pursuits until his death in 1974 at the age of eighty-six. His works of poetry include *Poems About God* (1919), *Chills and Fever* (1924), and *Selected Poems* (1945, 1963, 1969).

### Laura Riding

Born Laura Reichenthal in New York City, she changed her surname to Riding in 1927. She attended Cornell University on a scholarship, where she wrote for the college newspaper and developed a serious interest in writing. She left Cornell before graduation and studied briefly at the University of Illinois. Laura Riding married Louis Gottschalk, a professor at the University of Illinois, and settled down to write poetry. She won the Fugitive poetry prize in 1925 and Yale University's Bollingen prize for 1989-1990. She divorced Gottschalk and later married Schuyler Jackson in 1941. Riding enjoyed an international reputation as a poet, critic, and short story writer. W. H. Auden, Robert Graves, and Norman Cameron have all cited Riding as a major influence on their development as poets. She died on September 21, 1991 in Wabasso, Florida.

### **Alfred Starr**

Alfred Starr attended Vanderbilt University in the 1920s but did not graduate. While at Vanderbilt, he was a member of the Fugitive literary group. He received his B.A. from Harvard University in 1926. He served as president of the Bijou theater chain and the Theater Owners of America. He helped found the Nashville Symphony Association and the Nashville Arts Council. He died in October 1956.

### **Alec Brock Stevenson**

Alec Brock Stevenson received his B.A. in 1916 from Vanderbilt University. As an undergraduate, he served as editor of *The Observer* and *The Commodore*. He later worked as a reporter for the *Philadelphia North American*, the *Nashville Banner*, and the *Nashville Tennessean* newspapers. After graduating from the Rutgers Graduate School of Banking in Brunswick, New Jersey, he returned to Nashville and joined the investment firm of Vance, Sanders and Company. While in Nashville, he joined the Fugitive literary group and published poetry in addition to producing books and articles on investments. He established the Alec Brock and Elise Maney Stevenson Foundation to support a scholarship in the Vanderbilt Divinity

School in honor of his parents, for his father, James Henry Stevenson, taught for many years in Vanderbilt's School of Religion. Stevenson was a member of the Vanderbilt Board of Trust and a trustee of the Joint University Libraries. He died in Nashville on May 27, 1969.

### **Allen Tate**

Allen Tate graduated from Vanderbilt University with his B.A. in 1922. While at Vanderbilt, Tate was invited by Donald Davidson to join the Fugitive literary group. Returning to Vanderbilt after a forced medical leave of absence, Tate roomed with Robert Penn Warren and Ridley Wills during his last semester of academic work. In 1924, Tate moved to New York City where he continued to write poetry as well as produce freelance articles for *The Nation* and *New Republic* and worked as an editor. During his literary career, he became acquainted with a host of other literary figures including Hart Crane, John Peale Bishop, T. S. Eliot, Ernest Hemingway, and Ford Madox Ford. Tate taught at a variety of colleges and universities, including Vanderbilt, while producing volumes of poetry and criticism. He died in Nashville, Tennessee on February 9, 1979.

### John Donald Wade

John Donald Wade received his B.A. from the University of Georgia in 1914 and his M.A. from Harvard University in 1915. He completed his Ph.D. at Columbia University in 1924 after an interruption in his studies to serve in World War I. He taught at the University of Georgia from 1919 until 1927, when he left over a dispute with the university president over intercollegiate football and academics. He helped compile the *Dictionary of American Biography* in Washington, D.C. in 1927-1928 before accepting a teaching position at Vanderbilt University in 1928. While at Vanderbilt he joined the Agrarian literary group and contributed an essay to their book *I'll Take My Stand*. He returned to the University of Georgia in 1934 and served as the founding editor of *The Georgia Review* when it debuted in 1947. He remained at the University of Georgia for the rest of his academic career, retiring in 1950 to return to his family home in Marshallville. He died in Marshallville, Georgia on October 9, 1963.

### **Robert Penn Warren**

Robert Penn Warren received his B.A. at Vanderbilt University in 1925 before continuing his graduate studies at the University of California at Berkeley, Yale University, and New College, Oxford University, where he received a B. Litt. degree. While at Vanderbilt, "Red" Warren was invited to join the Fugitive literary group and contributed poetry to *The Fugitive* magazine. He was the recipient of several honorary degrees and was the author of over fifty books. His novel, **All the King's Men**, won the Pulitzer Prize for Fiction in 1947. He was also awarded the Pulitzer Prize for Poetry in 1957 and 1979. He was named Poet Laureate of the United States in 1986, the first to be nominated. Warren taught at a number of universities over the course of his life, including Vanderbilt University, Southwestern, Louisiana State University, the University of Minnesota, and Yale University. He died in Stratton, Vermont on September 15, 1989.

### Jesse Ely Wills

Jesse Ely Wills received his B.A. from Vanderbilt University in 1922. While at Vanderbilt, he was a member of the Phi Beta Kappa honor society, Phi Delta Theta fraternity, the Blue Pencil Club, and the Calumet Literary Club. In 1922, he was invited to join the Fugitive literary group. After leaving Vanderbilt, he became an officer and executive of the National Life and Accident

Insurance Company and was active in Vanderbilt University affairs as a member of the Board of Trust and chairman of the Board of the Joint University Libraries. He helped establish the Fugitive Room as a depository for Fugitive papers and manuscripts as part of the H. Fort Flowers wing of the Joint University Libraries building. He died in Nashville, Tennessee on March 4, 1977.

### William Ridley Wills

William Ridley Wills was a graduate of Vanderbilt University and a member of the Fugitive literary group. He worked for the *Memphis Press, Memphis Evening Appeal*, and the *Nashville Banner* newspapers before leaving for New York to work for the *New York World*. He served in the army during World War I and saw action in France and Germany. He was well known as a novelist, poet, and journalist. He spent the last four years of his life as a patient at the Bay Pines Veterans Hospital in Florida where he also served as the editor of the hospital newspaper. He died on September 8, 1957.

### **Stark Young**

Stark Young graduated from the University of Mississippi in 1901 with a B.A. in Latin and Greek. He received his M.A. from Columbia University in 1902, majoring in English but also taking courses in theater and drama. He taught at both University of Mississippi and the University of Texas, and later joined the faculty at Amherst College. In 1921, he resigned from Amherst and moved to New York to become a free-lance writer. He joined the editorial staff of the *New Republic* and remained there for the rest of his career, also doing work for the *New York Times* and the *Theatre Arts Magazine*. He became well known as a drama critic and also began to write plays and fiction. He wrote the final essay in the Agrarian group's manifesto, *I'll Take My Stand*. By the late 1930s, Stark gave up writing fiction and confined his writing to editing and translation. He also enjoyed some success as a painter in the 1940s. He died in New York on January 6, 1963.

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- 5. The Fugitive 1922 1925 Poetry contests
- 6. The Fugitive 1922 1925 Donald Davidson. Poetry Prize telegram text to Laura Riding
- 7. "Fugitives Add to Literary Honors of Tennessee" in Nashville Tennessean, May 27, 1923
- 8. *The Fugitive* Correspondence, 1924 Louis Gilmore
- 9. The Fugitive in The Writer a directory of periodicals, 1924
- 10. The Fugitive Correspondence, 1923 44 Joseph Shipley/ Allen Tate
- 11. Fugitives "The Year 1925 Witnesses"

12."The Fugitives and the Archives of American Letters" in *The Princeton University Library Chronicle*, April 1942

13.Fugitive Collections - Vanderbilt University Library. Correspondence of A.F. (Augustus Frederick ) Kuhlman, Director, 1942 - 56

14.Fugitive Collections. Vanderbilt University Library. Correspondence of A.F. (Augustus Frederick) Kuhlman, Director, 1942 - 56

15.Fugitive Reunion.Calendar and Program, May 3 - 5, 1956

16. Fugitive Reunion in Vanderbilt Alumnus, Vol. 41, no. 4, May - June 1956

17.Fugitive Room Committee. Correspondence, 1966 - 1971

18. The Fugitives. Vanderbilt Centennial History "Brief" by Joseph Kempf, 1970 with background documents.

19.."Fugitive/Agrarian Materials at Vanderbilt University" by Martha Emily Cook and Thomas Daniel Young, 1971

20."The Fugitives" Hustler Special Issue, April 1972.

21."The Fugitives" in Versus, February, 1977

22.Fugitive/ Agrarian Solicitation - Summer/Fall 1978

23.Boyer, Allen D.- a history of the Fugitives at Vanderbilt

24.Lynch, Amy "The Company was Olympian: Fugitives and Agrarians" and an interview with Agrarian Andrew Lytle in *Nashville*, 1984

25."The Fugitives, the Agrarians, and Other Twentieth Century Writers" an Exhibition in the Department of Rare Books, University of Virginia Library, 1985

26.Vaughn, William S. "Some Recollections of a Fugitive Sort";Cook, Mary Ann "Prophets with Honors" in *Vanderbilt Magazine*, Vol. 72, no. 2, Fall 1987

27.Wiltshire, Susan Ford. "Aeneas in Tennessee: Vergil and the Vanderbilt Fugitives" in *Vanderbilt Magazine*, Fall 1989

28."Fugitive No More" in Vanderbilt Hustler, August 10, 1993

29.Fugitive and Agrarian books in Vanderbilt Library - several lists

30. Fugitive and Agrarian items offered for sale to Special Collections

31.Fugitives - newspaper clippings

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1. I'll Take My Stand. Tate Authorization. 1930

2. Vanderbilt Masquerader, Vol. X, no.3, December 1933

3."The Agrarians Today : a Symposium" in Shenandoah, Autumn 1952 (photocopy);

"Dualisms in Agrarian Thought" by Virginia Rock reprinted from *Mississippi Quarterly, XIII* (Spring 1960)

4. "Brief" by Rick Byrd for Vanderbilt Centennial History, 1977

5. "The Southern Agrarians" in New Boston Review, Vol. IV, no. III, December 1978

6. Agrarian Symposium, 1980 - programs, *Vanderbilt Alumnus*, Vol. 66, no. 1, Winter 1981; *Versus*, April, 1980; newspaper articles

7. "About Face or Forward March? Nashville Agrarians, Southern Liberals, and the 1930 Richmond Debate on the Future of the South" by John Kneebone in *Virginia Cavalcade*, Vol.36, no. 3, Winter 1987

8. "The Twelve Apostles" by Hal Crowther in *Oxford American* January/February 19979. Newspaper clippings

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10. "Walter Clyde Curry's Last Lecture" by Dan D. Moore, (LSU) c. 1955

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- 11. Letter to Walter Clyde Curry, June 3, 1952
- 12."Southern Progressivism" in *Saturday Review of Literature*, February 11, 1933 (photocopy)
- 13."Sectionalism in the United States" in *Hound and Horn*, July September, 1933 (photocopy)
- 14."The Trend of Literature: A Partisan View" in *Culture in the South*, ed. William T. Couch. Chapel Hill: UNC Pressw, 1934
- 15. "Agrarianism and Politics" in *Review of Politics*, April 1939 (photocopy)
- 16. "White Spirituals: The Choral Music of the South" in *American Scholar*, Autumn 1935 (photocopy)
- 17."Regionalism as Social Science" in Southern Review, Autumn, 1937 (photocopy)
- 18. "The Class Approach to Southern Problems" in *Southern Review*, Autumn, 1939 (photocopy)
- 19."Mr. Babbitt at Philadelphia" in Southern Review, Spring 1941 (photocopy)
- 20."The Mystery of the Agrarians: Facts and Illusions About Some Southern Writers" in *The Saturday Review*, January 23, 1943
- 21. Doctor of Letters invitation to Davidson. Washington and Lee University, 1947
- 22.Review of *Regionalism in America*, ed. by Merrill Jensen in *American Literature*, March 1952 (photocopy)
- 23. Singin' Billy programs, April 23 26, 1952
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- 25.Notebook. South Carolina Gazette, 1760
- 26.Propaganda mailing, c. 1961 63
- 27. Tribute program. Vanderbilt University Department of English. January 19, 1966
- 28.Poem "Gradual of the Northern Summer" and correspondence with Eleanor Scott Morse, 1964 1975.
- 29.Young, T. D. and Kirk, Russell. Introduction and Preface to *The Tennessee*, 1978 (photocopy) 30.Offer of books from Fugitive Books, 1987
- 31."Traditions of Southern Thought: Frederick Douglass and Donald Davidson" Conference, 1992 at Vanderbilt University
- 32.Murphy, Paul. "The Social Memory of the South: Donald Davidson and the Tennessee Past" in *Tennessee Historical Quarterly*, Fall 1996
- 33..Poetry Reviews newspaper clippings (43 items)

- 34.Student Paper by Sarah McCanless (Howell)
- 35.Student Papers of Adelle Dudney, 1928 1930
- 36.Student Paper of Sally Rodes (Lee), 1952
- 37.Davidson, Theresa Sherrer printed copy and transparency of her illustrations for *The Tennessee*

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38.Letter to Donald Davidson, June 9, 1924

- 39. "The Metaphysics of Duguit's Pragmatic Conception of Law" reprinted from *Political Science Quarterly*, Vol. XXXVIII, no. 4, December, 1922;
  "Mussolini, Prophet of the Pragmatic Era in Politics" reprinted from *Political Science*
- *Quarterly*, Vol. XLI, no. 2, June, 1926 40."Vers Une Nouvelle Constitution" extrait du *Recueil d'Etudes enl'honneur d'Edouard Lambert*

41.Address to the graduating class of 1960, the Webb School, Bell Buckle, Tennessee 42.Articles, obituary.

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2.Letter from Merrill Moore, January 13, 1950; *Art and Mysticism* - cover 3.Hirsch family tree since 1790

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4. Articles, obituary, 1989

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5.Correspondence
6."The Passion of Alex Maury" book review in *The New Republic*, January 2, 1935
"Congratulations" by Stark Young
7."The Quality of the South" in *National Review*, March 8, 1958
8."Man or Symbol?" book review of Brainard Cheney's *This is Adam* in *The New Republic*, December 6, 1958
9.Correspondence with Richard Sanders re: *A Wake for the Living* including publisher blurb and photograph, 1975
10.Symposium participant "The Changing South: Rural to Urban" 1980
"Andrew Nelson Lytle: A Celebration" Sewanee, Tennessee, December 3, 1982
11.Articles by and about Lytle in *The Chatttahoochee Review* Vol. I, no. 1, Spring 1981

12."An Afternoon on the Porch with Andrew Lytle" by Douglas Paschall in *Touchstone: the Magazine of the Tennessee Humanities Council*, Number 8, Fall 1986
13.Andrew Lytle issue *Horns of Plenty*, with correspondence, 1990
14.Newspaper articles and reviews
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1. "Merrill Moore" by Louis Untermeyer reprinted from the January Number of *The Sewanee Review*, 1935; "Three Younger Poets" by Louis Untermeyer in *The English Journal*. December 1932

2. "Dawn Honey" musical composition - words by Merrill Moore, music by Ives Hendrick, 1938

3. "The Mental Measure of Merrill Moore" by F. L. Wells reprinted from *Life and Letters To-Day*, Vol. 21, no. 19, pages 27 - 36, March 1939 (London)

4. "Poet and Psychiatrist: Merrill Moore" by Henry W. Wells reprinted from *The Hopkins Review*, Vol. VI, no. 1, Fall 1952 (Baltimore, Maryland)

- 5. Newspaper articles and reviews; travel literature
- 6. Vanderbilt Centennial History file newspaper articles
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- 10. Eulogy and Elegy by Michel Farrano inscribed to Anne Leslie Moore
- 11. Obituaries in Harvard Medical Alumni Bulletin, October 1957; February 1958
- 12. Obituary in The New England Journal of Medicine, October 31, 1957, vol. 257, no.18
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15. "Social Security for Southern Farmers" from *Southern Policy Papers No. 2*, Chapel Hill: The University of North Carolina Press, 1936

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- 20. Poem "As We Two Walked at Dusk" (never published typescript)
- 21. "The State and the Land" in *New Republic*, February 17, 1932
- 22. "Address to the Scholars of New England" (Harvard Phi Beta Kappa Poem, June 23, 1939) in *The Kenyon Review*
- 23. Tribute from the Community of Letters, 1964
- 24. Program "Martin College presents John Crowe Ransom" Friday, April 28, 1967
- 25. Memorial Lectures. Program, Gambier, Ohio, April 3 5, 1975
- 26. "The Kenyon Review and the Rockefeller Foundation" Rockefeller Archives Center
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- 9. Review of Collected Essays by Carlos Baker
- 10. Reviews of *Essays of Four Decades* and others
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- 2. All the King's Men Dramatic Version: Dallas Theater Center

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- 5. All the King's Men Limited Editions Club Letter, 1990
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- 9. "William Faulkner and His South" University of Virginia Peters Rushton Lecture, March 13, 1951 typescript and announcement
- 10. "The World of Daniel Boone" in *Holiday*, 1963 (photocopy)
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- 12. "Hawthorne was Relevant" National Medal for Literature, acceptance speech, 1970
- 13. "Is Poetry Relevant" in The English Exchange, "1971

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