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Summary Information

Repository:	Rare Book and Manuscript Library
Creator:	Chase, Richard Volney, 1914-1962
Title:	Richard Volney Chase papers
ID:	4079661
ID:	MS#0214
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Language of the Material:	English .

Preferred Citation

Identification of specific item; Date (if known); Richard Volney Chase paper; Box and Folder; Rare Book and Manuscript Library, Columbia University Library.

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Biographical / Historical

Professor of English at Columbia University. (Columbia Ph.D. 1946).

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Summary

Letters, manuscripts, notes, proofs, course materials, and printed matter. The letters are chiefly from his colleagues at Columbia University, other literary critics, a few publishers and, single letters from several American authors. There is a series of lengthy letters from Chase to his wife, Frances Marie Walker Chase, dated 1938 and 1949-1961; letters from his colleagues and friends to Mrs Chase, 1962-1967, mostly letters of condolence on Chase's death, and a

few related to his publications. The manuscripts and proofs of his writings include typescripts on Herman Melville and Walt Whitman. Also included are notes on American and English literature, course materials for his Columbia courses, articles and reviews by him, articles, reprints and reviews by others, most of which are inscribed to Chase, and three dozen volumes of his own works, including foreign translations. In addition, there are 250 volumes from Chase's library, many with his annotations and marginalia. 1984 ADDITION: Letters from friends dealing with the contemporary literary world between 1948-1955. The main body of material is from Robert Willard Flint, a sometime poet and critic, who was a graduate student at Columbia in 1946 and later worked at the Harvard Library. 1986 ADDITION: Letters to Richard Chase from colleagues in the literary world, 1948-1971, with 2 letters to his wife after his death. 114 of these letters are from Robert Flint, 25 from Lionel Trilling, and 3 letters from Robert Penn Warren

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Arrangement

Selected materials cataloged; remainder arranged.

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Restrictions on Access

The following boxes are located off-site: Boxes 3B-12, and volumes from the Richard Volney Chase library. You will need to request this material at least three business days in advance to use the collection in the Rare Book and Manuscript Library reading room.

Restrictions on Access

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Immediate Source of Acquisition

Source of acquisition--Chase, Frances W. Method of acquisition--Gift; Date of acquisition--1982. Accession number--M-1982.

Ownership and Custodial History

Gift of Mrs Frances W. Chase, 1982, 1984& 1986.

Processing Information

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Accruals

Materials may have been added to the collection since this finding aid was prepared. Contact rbml@columbia.edu for more information.

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Controlled Access Headings

- English literature
- Critics
- American literature
- Photographs
- Proofs (printed matter)
- College teachers

- Anderson, Charles
- Arvin, Newton, 1900-1963
- Barzun, Jacques, 1907-2012
- Bellow, Saul
- Bentley, Eric, 1916-
- Blackmur, R. P (Richard P.), 1904-1965
- Davis, Robert Gorham
- Dupee, F. W (Frederick Wilcox), 1904-1979
- Fiedler, Leslie A.
- Hardwick, Elizabeth
- Hofstadter, Richard, 1916-1970
- Howe, Irving
- Johnson, Thomas Herbert
- Kazin, Alfred, 1915-1998
- Kronenberger, Louis, 1904-1980
- Lowell, Robert, 1917-1977
- McCarthy, Mary, 1912-1989
- Macdonald, Dwight
- Mailer, Norman
- Marshall, Margaret
- Mason, Ronald, 1912-
- Olson, Charles, 1910-1970
- Podhoretz, Norman
- Rahv, Philip, 1908-1973
- Ransom, John Crowe, 1888-1974
- Riesman, David, 1909-2002
- Schlesinger, Arthur M., Jr (Arthur Meier), 1917-2007
- Tate, Allen, 1899-1979
- Trilling, Lionel, 1905-1975
- Van Doren, Mark, 1894-1972
- Viereck, Peter, 1916-2006
- Warren, Robert Penn, 1905-1989
- Columbia University

Collection Inventory

Series I: Cataloged Correspondence

Title/Description	Instances
Aldrich, Margaret Chanler	box 1
Anderson, Charles	box 1
Arvin, Newton	box 1
Barrett, William	box 1

Barzun, Jacques	box 1
Bellow, Saul	box 1
Bentley, Eric	box 1
Blackmur, Richard Palmer	box 1
Davis, Robert Gorham	box 1
Dupee, Frederick W.	box 1
Fiedler, Leslie	box 1
Flint, Robert W.	box 1
Scope and Contents	
(Includes 2 manuscripts)	
Hardwick, Elizabeth	box 2
Hoffman, Frederic John	box 2
Hofstadter, Richard	box 2
Howe, Irving	box 2
Johnson, Thomas Herbert	box 2
Kazin, Alfred	box 2
Kirchway, Freda	box 2
Kronenberger, Louis	box 2
Lowell, Robert	box 2
McCarthy, Mary	box 2
MacDonald, Dwight	box 2
Mailer, Norman	box 2
Marshall, Margaret	box 2
Mason, Ronald Charles	box 2
Miller, Perry	box 2
Neff, Emery	box 2
Olson, Charles	box 2
Phillips, William	box 2
Podhoretz, Norman	box 2
Rahv, Philip	box 2
Ransome, John Crowe	box 2
Riesman, David	box 2

Schlesinger, Arthur M., Jr.	box 2
Simon, Jean	box 2
Spong, Richard M.	box 2
Tate, Allen	box 2
Trilling, Lionel	box 2
Van Doren, Mark	box 3A
Viereck, Peter	box 3A
Warren, Robert Penn	box 3A

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Series II: Uncataloged Correspondence

Title/Description	Instances
Letters to Robert Volney Chase, 1949 1956-1962, 1949, 1956-1962	box 3A
Letters from Robert Volney Chase to Frances Chase, 1938 1949-1961, 1938, 1949-1961	box 3A
Letters of Condolence, 1962-1963	box 3A

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Series III: Personal and Biographical Materials

Title/Description	Instances
Biographical Materials	box 3A
Bibliography of Richard Volney Chase, 1943-1962	box 3A
Memorabilia	box 3A
Photographs	box 3A
Memorial Service for Robert Volney Chase	box 3A
Notes on American and English Literature	box 3B
Signatures of political, scientific, and literary figures collected by Chase	box 3B
Clippings (Writings by and about Robert Volney Chase)	box 3B
Course Materials	box 4
Course Materials	box 5

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Series IV: Manuscripts

Title/Description	Instances
Manuscripts	box 4

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Series V: Printed Materials

Title/Description	Instances
Articles and Reviews by Robert Volney Chase	box 6
Articles and Reviews by Robert Volney Chase	box 7
Articles and Reprints by Others	box 8
Scope and Contents (Most of these are inscribed to Chase)	
Books by Others Inscribed to Chase	box 9
Books by Chase	box 10
Books by Chase	box 11
Books by Chase	box 12

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