

George Barr McCutcheon:

A Preliminary Inventory of His Papers at the Harry Ransom Humanities Research Center

Descriptive Summary

Creator:	McCutcheon, George Barr, 1866-1928
Title:	George Barr McCutcheon Papers
Dates:	ca. 1887-1957
Extent:	2 boxes, 1 oversize box (.84 of linear feet)
Abstract:	The George Barr McCutcheon collection contains career-related papers and works by McCutcheon and personal papers collected by other family members, primarily his sister Jessie McCutcheon Raleigh Nelson. There are drafts of McCutcheon's short works including , "My First Party," "Waddleton Mail," and "Pour La Patrie," as well as poetry, and one novel, <i>Romeo in Moon Village</i> .
RLIN Record #:	None
Language:	English
Access:	Open for research

Administrative Information

Acquisition:	Purchase, 1963
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Repository:	Harry Ransom Center, The University of Texas at Austin

Scope and Contents

The George Barr McCutcheon collection contains career-related papers and works by McCutcheon and personal papers collected by other family members, primarily his sister Jessie McCutcheon Raleigh Nelson. The collection is divided into three series: Series I. George McCutcheon Papers, 1887-1928; Series II. McCutcheon Family Papers, 1899-1957; and Series III. Works by Others, 1916-1917, nd.

Series I is comprised of correspondence and drafts of McCutcheon's works. Included in the correspondence are two letters from Kate Douglas Wiggin and a letter from McCutcheon to his mother, sent upon the publication of his first novel, *Graustark* (1901). Present in the collection is a draft of a novel, *Romeo in Moon Village* (1925), which probably came from the Ransom Center's James F. Drake collection. There are also drafts of some of McCutcheon's poetry and short works. Among the short works are handwritten drafts of "My First Party," published in 1887; "Waddleton Mail"; interviews for the *New York Times* and *New York Sun*, both published in 1915; and "Pour La Patrie," a short story that was published in an anthology entitled *For France* (1916), and dedicated to the French Relief of 1916.

Series II is made up of papers from various members of the McCutcheon family, including a eulogy for Ben McCutcheon, who died in 1934, and a review of John McCutcheon Raleigh's book *Behind the Nazi Front* (1940). There are also several unidentified family photographs from the 1940s. The bulk of the papers are those of McCutcheon's sister, Jessie McCutcheon Nelson. Included among her correspondence are letters from Carrie Jacobs-Bond, George Ade, Louella Parsons, and Herschel Williams.

Also included in the McCutcheon papers are two draft third-party works by Julian Street and Louise Closser Hale, and a book inventory that may be of McCutcheon's personal library.

Index Terms

People

- Ade, George, 1866-1944.
- Hale, Louise Closser, 1872-1933.
- Nelson, Jessie McCutcheon Raleigh.
- McCutcheon, Ben Frederick.
- Raleigh, John McCutcheon.
- Street, Julian, 1879-1947.

Document Types.

Daybook.

Drafts.

Guest register.

Photographs.

Series I. George McCutcheon Papers, 1887-1928

Correspondence

Outgoing, 1901-1927

Box 1 Folder 1

Incoming, 1914-1928

Folder 2

"My Pictures," 1916, bound volume numbered "1 of 15" (*removed to oversized box)

**Folder

Romeo in Moon Village (novel, 1925), handwritten draft

**Box 1
Folder
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Poetry, handwritten drafts

Folder 5

Short works, ca. 1887-1920

A-L

Box 1 Folder 6

M-W

Folder 7

McCutcheon, George Barr, 1866-1928

Series II. McCutcheon Family Papers, 1899-1957

McCutcheon, Ben Frederick, eulogy, 1934

**Box 1 Folder
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Nelson, Jessie McCutcheon Raleigh

Correspondence

Outgoing, 1940, 1943, nd

Box 2 Folder 1

Incoming, ca. 1899-1949

Folder 2

Daybook, ca. 1909

Folder 3

Guestbook, ca. 1949-1957

Folder 4

Raleigh, John McCutcheon, book review, correspondence

Folder 5

Miscellaneous correspondence, photographs

Folder 6

Series III. Works by Others, 1916-1917, nd

Book inventory

Box 2 Folder 7

Hale, Louise Closser. *Emma* (novel, 1917), handwritten draft

Folder 8

Street, Julian. "On the Jump with T.R.," article for *Collier's Weekly* June 10, 1916,
bound typescript with correspondence,

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