

# Seumas O'Sullivan:

## An Inventory of His Collection at the Harry Ransom Center

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### Descriptive Summary

<b>Creator:</b>	O'Sullivan, Seumas, 1879-1958
<b>Title:</b>	Seumas O'Sullivan Collection
<b>Dates:</b>	1817-1968, undated
<b>Extent:</b>	1 box (.42 linear feet), 2 galley folders (gf)
<b>Abstract:</b>	Includes manuscripts and letters by or received by the Irish poet James Sullivan Starkey, best known by his pseudonym Seumas O'Sullivan. Some items are related to his role as the editor of The Dublin Magazine. Correspondents include Mícheál MacLiammhóir, Harriet Monroe, Sir William Orpen, Lennox Robinson, and others.
<b>Call Number:</b>	Manuscript Collection MS-3978
<b>Language:</b>	English
<b>Access:</b>	Open for research

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### Administrative Information

<b>Processed by:</b>	Joan Sibley and Sara Saastamoinen, 2012 <b>Note:</b> This finding aid replicates and replaces information previously available only in a card catalog. Please see the explanatory note at the end of this finding aid for information regarding the arrangement of the manuscripts as well as the abbreviations commonly used in descriptions.
<b>Repository:</b>	<a href="#">Harry Ransom Center, The University of Texas at Austin</a>

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**Works:**

- Untitled article on his memories of James Stephens, typescript with handwritten emendations, 5 pages, undated. **Container**  
1.1
- Untitled poem, A green sky of misery..., carbon typescript, 1 page, undated.
- Untitled poem, That serpent lies..., typescript, 1 page, undated.
- Untitled poem, When Winter comes again, carbon typescript, 1 page, 24 September 1923.
- The bread of another; a play in 2 acts, handwritten manuscript with revisions, 115 pages, undated. **Container**  
1.2
- The chain of life (poem), typescript, 1 page, undated. **Container** 1.1
- Conscience (poem), carbon typescript, 1 page, undated.
- The holy seed (poem), carbon typescript, undated.
- The Irish National Theatre: some memories, typescript with handwritten emendations, 4 pages, undated.
- A line for Rabelais (poem), galley proof with few handwritten emendations and corrections, 1 page, undated. **Container**  
gf 1
- Qui nunc it per iter tenebricosum, signed typescript, 1 page, 11 June 1931. Inscribed to M. Cyril. Letterhead: The Dublin Magazine. With this: bookplate with name Mona Gooden. Removed from 60-4654. **Container**  
1.1
- Recollections of J. M. Synge, carbon typescript with few typed emendations, 3 pages, undated.
- To a mushroom (poem), galley proof with handwritten corrections and emendations, 1 page, undated. **Container**  
gf 1
- To an aviator (poem), galley proof, 1 page, undated. Printed with this: To his friend to try another tavern; To his friend the apothecary poet.
- To the muse (poem), galley proof with handwritten correction, 1 page, undated.
- To my right honourable friend (poem), galley proof with handwritten emendation, 1 page, undated.

**Letters:**

ALS to Cyril, \_\_\_\_\_, undated. Removed from 60-135.

**Container 1.3**

TLS to Cyril, \_\_\_\_\_, 14 December 1953. Removed from 60-97.

TLI, New Year's card to Cyril, M., 1939, 21 December 1939. New Year's card contains poem by O'Sullivan. Removed from 61-13348.

TLI to Palmer, Herbert, 16 October 1942. Letterhead: The Dublin Magazine. Removed from 61-13348.

**Recipient:**

Unidentified author. ALS to O'Sullivan, 23 January 1908. Signature illegible.  
Letterhead: Irish Agricultural Organisation Society Ltd.

**Container**  
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Unidentified author. ALS to O'Sullivan, 1 January 1937. Signature illegible.

Unidentified author. TL to O'Sullivan, 17 May 1948.

The Adelphi. ALS editor J. Middleton Murry to O'Sullivan, 18 July 1923.

Anderson, J. Redwood. 2 ALS to O'Sullivan, 23 December 1936, 15 February 1949.

Bodkin, Thomas, 1887- . ALS to O'Sullivan, 5 September 1917. Removed from 60-173.

Bright, Mary Chavelita Dunne. ALS "George Egerton" to O'Sullivan, 17 July 1938.

Carter, Frederick. ALS to O'Sullivan re Carter's portrait of Austin Clarke, 8 February no year.

Carter, Frederick. 2 ALS, signed Christmas card to O'Sullivan, 1935-1939.

Christie, H. Robertson. ALS to O'Sullivan, 24 September 1928.

Clarke, Harry. 2 ALS to O'Sullivan, 3 and 4 July 1923. Removed from HD 9395 J292.

Clarke, Harry. 2 ALS to O'Sullivan, 22 May 1923, 7 June 1947.

Clarke, Harry. 3 ALS to O'Sullivan, 1924-1925.

Corkery, Daniel, 1878- . ALS to O'Sullivan, 10 October 1928.

Cousins, James Henry, 1873- . ALS to O'Sullivan, 12 December 1911. Removed from 60-186.

Dublin University Gaelic Society. Printed invitation to O'Sullivan, November 1914.

Gallagher, Frank. Christmas card with ink illustrations from Frank and Cecilia to O'Sullivan, undated.

Gallagher, Frank. TLS to O'Sullivan, 4 October 1928. Removed from 60-5.

Gwynn, Stephen Lucius, 1864-1950. TLS to O'Sullivan, 15 October 1927.

Irvine, John. 5 ALS to O'Sullivan, 1943-1951.

Kavanagh, Patrick. ALS to O'Sullivan as editor of Dublin Magazine, 30 August 1932. Removed from 60-242.

MacLiammhóir, Mícheál, 1899- . ALS to O'Sullivan, 19 July 1926. Enclosed with this: Hidden woods by MacLiammhóir, handwritten manuscript with few emendatinos, 17 pages, undated.

**Container**  
1.5

Manning-Sanders, George. ALS to O'Sullivan, 20 July 1930.

Manning-Sanders, Ruth, 1895- . ALS to O'Sullivan, 22 January no year.

Martyn, Edward, 1859-1923. ALS to O'Sullivan, 17 March 1915.

Milligan, Alice L. ALS, ALI to O'Sullivan, undated.

Monroe, Harriet, 1860-1936. 2 ALS, TccLS to O'Sullivan, 1914-1919.

Moore, \_\_\_\_\_. Telegram to O'Sullivan, 28 November 1904.

Moult, Thomas. ALS to O'Sullivan, 1 December 1947.

O'Connell, M. ALS to O'Sullivan, 31 May 1911.

O'Connor, F. J. ALS to O'Sullivan, 31 January 1950.

O'Leary, Con. ALS to O'Sullivan, 12 March 1924.

O'Neill, Joseph. 4 ALS to O'Sullivan, 1950-1951, undated.

Orpen, William, Sir, 1878-1931. AL illustrated with ink drawings to O'Sullivan, undated.

O'Sullivan, V. ALS to O'Sullivan, undated.

O'Sullivan, Vincent. ALS to O'Sullivan, 28 April no year. Removed from 60-2032.

Poetry. 2 FN to O'Sullivan, 30 November 1914, undated. AN by Harriet Monroe on FN, undated.

Robertson, N. Murray. ALS to O'Sullivan, undated. Original pen and ink drawing and prints of same enclosed.

Rowley, Richard. 6 ALS to O'Sullivan, 1940-1947.

Sigerson, George, 1839-1925. ALS to O'Sullivan, undated.

Somerville, Edith Anna Oenone, 1858-1949. ALS to O'Sullivan, 7 July 1937.  
Removed from 60-2039.

Stephens, E. M. ALS to O'Sullivan re John Millington Synge, 23 April 1927.

Stone, Wilbur M. 2 TccL to O'Sullivan, 1916-1917. Included with this: TccL  
from Stone to M. K. Magee, 1916; TccL from Stone to The Four Seas Company,  
1919, with their TL reply, 1919. Not described in card catalog; withdrawn from  
The Irish Review, AP4 I74 v. 4 no. 37-41 copy 2.

Synge, E. H. 3 ALS to O'Sullivan re John Millington Synge, 1923-1924.

The Tower Press. ALS to O'Sullivan, 22 March 1909.

**Miscellaneous:**

- Unidentified author. Bibliography, typescript / incomplete, 2 pages, undated. **Container**  
Summary of action taken over the years by Irish Academy of Letters on creating a  
bibliography of Irish writers. 1.6
- Unidentified author. TFL to Solomons, Miss re organizational meeting, undated.  
With instruction to R.S.V.P. to Maud Gonne MacBride.
- Corkery, Daniel, 1878- . ALS to unidentified recipient, undated. Removed from  
60-4.
- Denson, Alan. Seumas O'Sullivan check list, typescript with handwritten revisions, **Container**  
11 pages; galley proofs with handwritten corrections, 7 pages; 1968. gf 2
- Dublin Magazine. Stock of Dublin Magazine, typescript, 1 page, 11 February 1932. **Container**  
1.6
- Hogan, Robert Goode, 1930- . The experiments of Sean O'Casey (article),  
typescript, 13 pages, undated. For Dublin Magazine.
- Irvine, John. The fountain of Hellas, signed handwritten manuscript, 71 pages, 1943. **Container**  
Inscribed to O'Sullivan. 1.7
- Loyal Orange Association. Citation for James Sullivan, signed printed document **Container**  
with seal and handwritten entries, 1 page, 6 March 1817. 1.8
- Martyn, Edward, 1859-1923. ALS to O'Connell, Mrs., 6 May 1910.
- Milligan, Alice L.:
- In memoriam A. E., handwritten manuscript with emendations, 6 pages, undated. **Container**  
Printed in The Dublin Magazine, October-December 1935. 1.8
- ANS to Duncan, Miss, undated.
- APCS to Solomons, Estelle, 5 October 1918.
- Milroy, Sean. 3 ALS, 2 APCS to Solomons, Estelle, 1918.
- O'Kelly, Seumas, 1881-1918. ALS to Solomons, Estelle, 23 July 1917.
- O'Sullivan, Estella. ALS to Gooden, Mona, 22 December 1938.
- O'Sullivan, Seumas, 1879-1958. Biographical note, typescript with few  
handwritten corrections and emendations, 2 pages, circa 1938.

O'Sullivan, Seumas, 1879-1958. Notes on housing of guests for meeting, handwritten manuscript, 1 page, undated.

Robinson, Lennox, 1886-1958. ALS to Solomons, Estelle, undated.

Synge, E. H. List of letters received from O'Sullivan, signed handwritten manuscript, 1 page, 26 February 1923.

## Explanatory Note Concerning Manuscript Collections Cataloged in the Card Catalog

Prior to 1990 when archival cataloging procedures were adopted at the Ransom Center, all manuscript collections were described in a card catalog.

### Organization of Collections:

- Manuscripts for each author collection were organized into four categories:
- **Works:** manuscripts by the author, arranged alphabetically by title;
- **Letters:** the author's outgoing correspondence, arranged alphabetically by recipient name;
- **Recipient:** the author's incoming correspondence, arranged alphabetically by the author of the letter; and
- **Miscellaneous:** all other manuscripts and correspondence, arranged alphabetically by creator.

Materials that did not fit into these categories, such as art, photographs, books, and near-print materials such as newspaper clippings, were dispersed to other Ransom Center collections for cataloging and storage.

### Abbreviations Used in Descriptions:

The symbols below were used in combinations. For example **ALS** means autograph letter signed; **Tccms** means typed carbon copy manuscript, etc.

- **A** = autograph (i.e., handwritten)
- **T** = typed
- **S** = signed
- **I** = initialed
- **Ms** = manuscript
- **Mss** = manuscripts
- **L** = letter
- **FL** = form letter
- **N** = note
- **D** = document
- **C** = card
- **PC** = post card
- **cc** = carbon copy
- **p** = page
- **pp** = pages
- **l** = leaf
- **ll** = leaves
- **nd** = no date
- **inc d** = incomplete date