

# Louis Golding:

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

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### Descriptive Summary

<b>Creator:</b>	Golding, Louis, 1895-1958
<b>Title:</b>	Louis Golding Collection
<b>Dates:</b>	1908-1956, undated
<b>Extent:</b>	3 boxes (1.26 linear feet)
<b>Abstract:</b>	Includes manuscripts and letters written by the English novelist and travel writer Louis Golding, as well as letters he received, several travel journals, and early poems and other writings from his school days. Correspondents include Edmund Blunden, Naomi Mitchison, and Rebecca West, among others.
<b>Call Number:</b>	Manuscript Collection MS-1645
<b>Language:</b>	English, French, German, Greek, and Latin
<b>Access:</b>	Open for research

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### Administrative Information

<b>Processed by:</b>	Joan Sibley and Jamie Hawkins-Kirkham, 2011 <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 play, handwritten manuscript / incomplete with revisions, 82 pages, undated. Note on accompanying envelope reads “an incomplete early play in ms.” **Container** 1.2
- Untitled poem, Listen!, listen o good my friend!..., handwritten manuscript with revisions and deletions, 3 pages, undated. On verso of two pages: Notes on Dante, signed handwritten manuscript with revisions, 2 pages, undated, written in French. **Container** 1.3
- Untitled satirical article, handwritten manuscript with revisions, 6 pages on 3 leaves, undated. Written on Queen’s College, Oxford stationery. **Container** 1.1
- Article on Manchester writers, handwritten manuscript / incomplete with revisions, 2 pages, undated. Pages are numbered 5 and 11.
- Ballad of the sea-lady (poem), signed handwritten manuscript, 3 pages, July 1913.
- Battlefield at evening (poem), signed handwritten manuscript with few revisions, 1 page, undated.
- The biggest day of my life, signed handwritten manuscript with revisions, 18 pages, 5 March 1956. On verso: Fair women follow; a pageant of beauty, by Golding, carbon typescript, 9 pages, undated and The grand wedding by Golding, carbon typescript ./ incomplete, 5 pages, undated.
- Conversations in Capri; an imaginary conversation with Norman Douglas, carbon typescript with signed handwritten inscription to Amedeo de Filippi, 11 pages, undated. Inscription dated December 1951.
- Cras ingens iterabimus aequor (poem), handwritten manuscript, 2 pages, undated.
- Day of atonement: Notes, episodes, characterizations, handwritten manuscript with revisions, 12 pages in notebook, undated. Written with this: List of sketches, poems, and tales by Golding, handwritten manuscript, 2 pages, undated; Notes for unidentified works, handwritten manuscript, 19 pages, undated; Financial records, handwritten manuscript, 2 pages, 1933.
- February fields (poem), signed typescript, 1 page, undated.
- Five poems, handwritten manuscript with some revisions, 5 pages, 5 June 1919. Contents: The superior one; The poet reflects; The ascending; A praying; To my father’s son.
- Flower of the sea, signed handwritten manuscript with revisions, and with later initialed inscription to Amedeo de Filippi, 25 pages, undated. Inscription dated 3 October 1952.

Fortune tellers in Cairo; a city of soothsayers, signed handwritten manuscript, 5 pages, undated. Enclosed with this: ALS Golding to Hewitt-Myring, undated.

In Wem, in Shropshire (poem), typescript with handwritten revisions, 1 page, undated.

Journal of a trip through Germany, Austria, Hungary, Czechoslovakia, and Italy, signed handwritten manuscript with corrections and revisions, 166 pages, 7 August 1922 - 31 March 1923. Included with this: additional unnumbered pages of the journal and poems, handwritten manuscript, 31 pages, undated. **Container** 1.4

Journal of a trip through the United States, Canada, and Mexico, handwritten manuscript, 33 pages, November 1935 - January 1936. **Container** 1.1

Journal of a trip through Tunisia, Spain, France, Italy, and Greece, handwritten manuscript with revisions, 64 pages, 1925. Some pages attached to a spiral binder, but most are loose and probably out of order. **Container** 1.5

Magnolia Street revisitation, handwritten manuscript / notes with revisions, 18 pages, undated. **Container** 1.6

A midnight forest fray (poem), handwritten manuscript, 1 page, undated.

The North-regional drama competition, signed handwritten manuscript with many revisions, 8 pages, undated. On verso: A ghost at Dunkirk by Golding, carbon typescript with revisions, 7 pages, undated.

Odd jottings, signed handwritten manuscript with revisions, 27 pages, 1920-1923. Includes poems and drafts of poems, notes on literary figures, and miscellaneous notes.

Paris calling, 2 printed booklets with handwritten corrections and revisions, 39 pages each, December 1945. **Container** 1.7

Poems in notebooks:

Signed handwritten manuscript with revisions, 36 pages, undated. Twenty pages torn out and lacking. Inscribed on inside covers: Classical transitus, Manchester Grammar School. **Container** 1.8

Handwritten manuscript with revisions and deletions, 58 pages, undated. Twelve pages cut out and lacking, other pages detaching. Loosely laid in: Canzone de lo Capo d'Anno, handwritten manuscript / musical score, 1 page, undated. **Container** 1.9

- Signed handwritten manuscript with revisions, 84 pages, undated. Also written in notebook: Humorous account of a bicycle ride, handwritten manuscript with revisions, 12 pages, undated; Rydal (drama), handwritten manuscript / draft / incomplete with revisions, 10 pages, undated. Written on front endpaper: Classical transitus, Manchester Grammar School. Loosely laid in: five leaves of additional poems and a pressed flower. **Container** 1.10
- Signed handwritten manuscript with revisions, 56 pages, undated. Also written in notebook: lecture notes, addresses, jottings, 23 pages, undated. **Container** 1.11
- Handwritten manuscript with some revisions and typescript poem, 212 pages, 1908-1910, undated. **Container** 2.1
- Signed handwritten manuscript with many revisions and deletions, 46 pages, June-July 1910. Also written in notebook: five pages of Greek and French exercises. Loosely laid in: additional poetry, handwritten manuscript, 8 pages, undated. **Container** 2.2
- Signed handwritten manuscript with many revisions, 59 pages, August-November 1910. Also included in notebook: A melting story by Golding, handwritten manuscript with revisions, 4 pages, undated; jottings, a drawing, and game scores. **Container** 2.3
- Signed handwritten manuscript with many revisions, 43 pages, 1911. Printed label on cover: Grammar School, Manchester. Also included in notebook: algebraic exercises, shorthand exercises, drawings, and notes. **Container** 2.4
- Signed handwritten manuscript with few revisions, 14 pages, 1912-1914. **Container** 2.5
- Poet from over the sea (poem), signed typescript with few revisions and corrections, 1 page, undated. **Container** 1.6
- Review of The supreme near easterner by Sir Ronald Storrs, signed handwritten manuscript with revisions, 6 pages, undated. **Container** 2.6
- The tercentenary of M. S. S. (poem), initialed handwritten manuscript with revisions and deletions, 2 pages, undated. On verso: Untitled poem, O beauty I have wandered far..., by Golding, handwritten manuscript, 1 page, undated.

**Letters:**

TLS to unidentified recipient Dudley, 17 June 1939.

**Container 2.7**

ALS to unidentified recipient John, 7 February 1957. Included with this: TccLI by Golding, February 1957.

4 ALS to Bason, Frederick, 1929.

ALS to Blackley, 22 May 1928.

TccL to Ealing Studios, 27 November 1939.

TccL to Gollancz (Victor) Ltd., 3 October 1936.

TccL to Henriques, Basil Lucas Quixano, 9 January 1952.

ALS to Macer-Wright, Philip, undated.

TccL to Pinker (James B.) & Son, 4 November 1936.

ANI to Randale, Ernest H., April 1951. Removed from G569gl 1946 HRC.

ALS to Rea, Lindsay, 4 July 1938.

TLS to Scotland's Magazine, 14 March 1956. Written on this: initialed handwritten note concerning short story by Golding.

Printed letter to The Times, London, 25 March 1949. Letter concerns his U. S. visa denial.

APCS to Wynne-Tyson, Jon, 13 April 1957.

**Recipient:**

Unidentified author M. TLS to Golding, 1 December 1948.

**Container 2.8**

Unidentified author Archie, ANS to Golding, undated. Written on Christmas card from the Royal Air Force, Dishforth.

Unidentified author Louis. ALS to Golding re terms of a contract with John Lane, 16 January 1919.

Unidentified author Jane. ALS to Golding, 1948.

Unidentified author Richard. 2 ALS to Golding, undated.

Unidentified author Tom. TLS to Golding, 15 August 1951.

Bentley, Phyllis Eleanor, 1894-1977. ALS to Golding, 1 August 1932.

Bieber?, Fritz. ALS to Golding, 4 May 1939.

Bieber, Selma. ALS to Golding, undated. Included with this: ALS Lydia Bieber to Mr. Emmanuel, the title character of one of Golding's novels, undated.

Blackwood, Algernon, 1869-1951. TLS to Golding, 13 December 1934.

Blunden, Edmund Charles, 1896-1974. 5 ALS to Golding, 1919-1934.

The Bookman. ALS to Golding, undated.

Brown, Richard Blake, 1902-1968. ALS to Golding, 19 October 1936.

Cerio, Edwin, 1875- . ALS to Golding, 14 March 1923. Removed from q G569jce 1922 HRC.

Chatto & Windus, firm, publishers, London. 2 TLS Harold Raymond to Golding, 16 June and 22 June 1926.

Christophers, firm, publishers, London. 13 letters Bertram Christian to Golding, 1920-1921. Included with these: letter of introduction from Christian to Robert Lynd re Golding, 5 July 1921.

**Container  
2.9**

Crawford, John H. ALS to Golding, 24 February 1948.

**Container 2.8**

Croft-Cooke, Rupert, 1903- . ALS to Golding, undated.

Curtis Brown Ltd. TLS to Golding, 6 October 1936. Enclosed with this: TccL from Curtis Brown Ltd. to Gollancz (Victor) Ltd., 6 October 1936.

Dakers, Andrew Herbert, 1887- . TLS to Golding, 7 February 1921.

De Mendelssohn, Peter, 1908- . ALS, TLS to Golding, 11 January and 14 January 1938.

Dennis, Geoffrey Pomeroy, 1892- . 3 ALS to Golding, 1930-1934.

Dunbar, Sheila I. ALS, TLS to Golding, 29 March and 4 April 1949.

Ealing Studios. 2 TLS to Golding, 24 November 1939, 8 October 1940.

Easton, Dorothy, 1889- . ALS to Golding, November 1934. Removed from 61-9092.

Farjeon, Eleanor, 1881-1965. 3 ALS, TLS to Golding, 1931-1940.

Frankau, Gilbert, 1884-1952. 3 ALS to Golding, 1936-1949. Included with these: ALS Frankau to the New York Times, 1949, requesting a reappraisal of Golding's visa denial.

Gogh, Vincent William van, 1890-. ALS to Golding. Louis, 9 January 1928.

**Container**  
2.10

Golden Cockerel Press. 3 ALS, ALI, 3 TLS Harold Taylor to Golding, 1920-1921.

**Container**  
2.11

Goldman, Willy. ALS to Golding, 16 April 1940.

**Container** 2.10

Gollancz (Victor) Ltd. TLS, 5 TLI to Golding, 1932-1936. Included with these: TccL Gollancz to Pinker (James B.) & Son, 29 November 1932; TL Gollancz to Travellers re The Camberwell beauty by Golding, 8 January 1935; TccL Harrods, Ltd., London to Gollancz, 21 June 1935.

**Container**  
2.12

Gombel, R. TLS to Golding, 16 July 1935. Anti-Semitic hate letter. See also: ALS R. L. Lunkins to Golding and ALS G. A. Jones to Golding, both 16 July 1935.

**Container**  
2.10

Great Britain. War Office. TLS E. J. R. Edwards to Golding, 6 September 1940.

Haskell, Arnold Lionel, 1903- . ALS to Golding, 4 October no year. Removed from 61-9128.

Henriques, Basic Lucas Quixano, 1890- . TLS to Golding, 4 January 1952.

Hodgson, Ralph, 1871-1962. ALS to Golding, 7 February 1919.

Holtby, Winifred, 1898-1935. 8 ALS to Golding, 1931-1932, undated.

Hopwood, Jackie. ALS / incomplete to Golding, undated.

Hutchinson, C. ALS to Golding, 19 May 1936. Letterhead: St. John's Church, London. Enclosed with this: AL / copy Edward VIII, King of Great Britain to Hutchinson, undated.

Jameson, Storm, 1897- . ALS to Golding, 27 January 1930. Removed from AC-L J239pit 1923 HRC.

Johnson, Pamela Hansford, 1912- . ALS to Golding, 19 July 1950.

Jones, G. A. ALS to Golding, 16 July 1935. Anti-Semitic hate letter. See also: TLS R. Gombel to Golding and ALS R.L. Lunkins to Golding, both 16 July 1935.

Lamb, Lawrence. 2 ALS to Golding, 8 October 1935, undated. Enclosed with 1935 letter: photograph of Lamb. **Container** 2.13

Knox, Collie, 1899- . ALS to Golding, 27 January 1948. Removed from G569Jkno 1947 HRC. **Container** 2.10

Long, Gabrielle Margaret Vere Campbell, 1888-1952. ALS to Golding, 23 December 1931.

Lowenthal, Marvin, 1890- . ALS to Golding, 19 April 1937.

Lowenthal, Marvin, 1890- . ALS to Golding, 6 October 1938. Removed from 61-9168.

Lunkins, R. L. ALS to Golding, 16 July 1935. Anti-Semitic hate letter. See also: TLS R. Gombel to Golding and ALS G. A. Jones to Golding, both 16 July 1935.

Macaulay, Rose, Dame, 1881-1958. 2 ALS, ALI to Golding, undated.

McGrail, Frank. 2 ALS to Golding, undated.

Mackenzie, Faith Compton, 1878-1960. ALS to Golding, 15 October no year.

Mackenzie, Faith Compton, 1878-1960. ALS to Golding, 11 February 1954. Removed from PR 6025 A25263 C73 HRC.

Mackintosh, Hugh Stewart. ALS, TLS to Golding, 12 June 1957, undated.

Marcus, Nettie. ALS to Golding, 14 February 1935.

Marshall, Geoffrey, Sir, 1887- . ALS to Golding, undated. Letter re an impending stay at a sanitarium.

Mendilow, Adam Abraham, 1909- . ALS to Golding, 1 March 1956. Removed from PR 4487 S97 M36 1955 HRC. **Container** 3.1

Meyerstein, Edward Harry William, 1889-1952. TLS to Golding, 6 February 1950.

Millin, Sarah Gertrude Liebson, 1899- . ALS to Golding, 10 June 1938.

Mitchison, Naomi Haldane, 1897- . 14 letters to Golding, 1932-1951, undated.

**Container**  
3.2

Moore, Virginia, 1903- . ALS to Golding, undated. Enclosed with this: The fishpools in Hesbon (poem) by Moore, handwritten manuscript, 1 page, undated. Written on verso of poem: handwritten notes by Golding.

**Container**  
3.1

Morgan, Charles Langbridge, 1894-1958. ALS, TLS to Golding, 19 February 1954, 9 November no year.

Mottram, Ralph Hale, 1883- . ALS to Golding, undated.

Nicolson, Harold George, Sir, 1886-1968. TLS to Golding, 24 September 1940. Letterhead: Great Britain. Ministry of Information.

Ommanney, Francis Downes, 1903- . TLS to Golding, 17 January 1956. Removed from 61-9231.

Oxford University. Queen's College. Bursar's Office. ALS to Goulding, 9 April 1923.

Parkes, James William, 1896- . ALS to Golding, 7 February 1944.

Paton, John Lewis, 1863-1946. TLS to Golding, 11 May 1915. On verso: Untitled poem, O I have been to London now... by Golding, handwritten manuscript, 1 page, undated.

Pinker (James B.) & Son. 2 TLS, 1 handwritten telegram to Golding, 1932-1936.

Poetry: A Magazine of Verse. 2 ALS Harriet Monroe to Golding, 13 April and 15 September 1921.

Rowe, Joyce. ALS to Golding, 2 January 1951.

Rubinstein, Harold Frederick, 1891-1975. ALS to Golding, 9 March 1934.

Saturday Review (London). ALS, 5 TLS Filson Young to Golding, 1921-1924.

Schütze, Gladys Henrietta Raphael, 1884-1946. 3 ALS to Golding, undated.

Schwab, Hermann, 1879-1962. ALS to Golding, 26 August 1946.

Scotland's Magazine. TLS to Golding, 3 April 1956.

Seymour, Beatrice Kean. ALS to Golding, 1 November 1929.

Snow, Charles Percy Snow, 1905-1980. ALS to Golding, 12 July 1950.

Stead, William Force, 1884- . ALI to Golding, 25 March 1934.

Stern, Gladys Bronwyn, 1890-1973. 9 letters to Golding, 1931, undated.

**Container**  
3.3

Strong, L. A. G. (Leonard Arthur George), 1896-1958. 3 ALS, 1 Christmas card to Golding, 1931-1939. Christmas card also signed by Sylvia. Written on inside of card: printed short story entitled Evening piece, 3 pages, undated.

**Container**  
3.1

Swinerton, Frank Arthur, 1884- . 2 ALS to Golding, 7 December 1950, 23 June 1956.

Thorne, Anthony. 2 ALS, 4 TLS to Golding, October - December 1949.

Vallentin, Antonia, 1893- . 4 ALS to Golding, undated.

Vaughn, Hilda, 1892- . ALS to Golding, undated.

West, Rebecca, Dame, 1892- . 3 ALS to Golding, undated. One letter refers to D. H. Lawrence. **Container**

3.4

Wheatley, Dennis, 1897- . ALS to Golding, 20 December 1936.

Wilder, Thornton, 1897-1975. ALS to Golding, 12 November 1928.

Wolfe, Humbert, 1885-1940. ALS to Golding, 19 July 1938.

Wylie (Julian) Productions. TLS to Golding, 22 March 1934.

Yates, Stan. 2 ALS to Golding, 19 January 1943, undated.

Young, Francis Brett, 1884-1954. 2 ALS, ALI, TLI to Golding, 1930-1950.

Young, Jessica Hankinson Brett. 3 ALS to Golding, 1954-1955.

Zweig, Stefan, 1881-1942. 2 TLS to Golding, 23 May and 2 June 1934. In German. Removed from G569Jzw.j 1934 HRC.

**Miscellaneous:**

Unidentified author. Biographical notes concerning Louis Golding, handwritten manuscript, 1 page, undated. Removed from G569Jm 1955 HRC. **Container**  
3.5

The Blighty League, Harfleur. Statement of intent, procedures, minutes, etc. of The Blighty League, typescript with handwritten markings, 6 pages, 19-24 July 1917. Golding was elected resident secretary of the organization.

Cohen, Margaret Becky. TLS to Goldberg, Nelson, 10 February 1946. A facetious marriage proposal, probably intended for Golding.

Golding, Anne Wintrobe. ALS / copy to unidentified recipient Gwilym, 28 November 1944.

Golding, Louis, 1895-1958:

Contract between Golding, William Leggett, and Herbert Pickard concerning physical fitness instruction and massage, TDS with handwritten notes, 1 page, 18 December 1934. **Container**  
3.5

Delegate's card to the Cultural Congress for Peace, Wroclaw, Poland. Printed card with handwritten notations, 1 leaf, 25-28 August 1948.

Lists of guests invited or attending Golding's marriage to Annie Wintrobe, typed and carbon manuscript with handwritten corrections and additions, 31 pages, 12 March 1956. **Container**  
3.6

Miscellaneous notes, handwritten manuscript with revisions, 26 pages, 1922-1923. **Container**  
3.5

Notes on a boxing match, handwritten manuscript in notebook, 47 pages, undated. Loosely laid in: additional notes on a boxing match, handwritten manuscript, 5 pages, undated. Many pages have been torn from the notebook. **Container**  
3.7

Notes re the Soviet Union, handwritten manuscript in notebook, 59 pages, undated. Notebook has hammer and sickle insignia printed on cover. **Container**  
3.5

Symphony of youth, a musical devised and produced by Golding, Michael Tippett, and Carrington Wood, printed program with handwritten notes and drawings by Golding, 16 pages, 21 June - 15 July 1939. Presented in the Open-Air Theatre, Brockwell Park, London.

University certificates and receipts, 5 PDS with handwritten notations, 5 leaves, 1911-1915.

Visiting cards, 8 printed cards, undated.



## 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