

# Adrian Goldstone:

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

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### Descriptive Summary

<b>Creator</b>	Goldstone, Adrian H., 1897-1977
<b>Title</b>	Adrian Goldstone Collection
<b>Dates:</b>	1922-1977
<b>Extent</b>	3 document boxes, 3 card file boxes (1.68 linear feet), 2 galley folders (gf)
<b>Abstract:</b>	Correspondence and manuscripts reflect Goldstone's interest in John Steinbeck, Edwin B. Hill, and Rockwell Kent.
<b>RLIN Record #</b>	TXRC00-A16
<b>Language</b>	English.
<b>Access</b>	Open for research. Part or all of this collection is housed off-site and may require up to three business days notice for access in the Ransom Center's Reading and Viewing Room. Please contact the Center before requesting this material: <a href="mailto:reference@hrc.utexas.edu">reference@hrc.utexas.edu</a>

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### Administrative Information

<b>Acquisition</b>	Gifts and purchases, 1970-1976
<b>Processed by</b>	Chelsea S. Dinsmore, 2000; Betsy Nitsch, 2012
<b>Repository:</b>	Harry Ransom Center, University of Texas at Austin

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## Biographical Sketch

Adrian Homer Goldstone, 1897-1977, grew up in the area around Monterey, California. An avid book collector all of his life, he is particularly well known for his bibliographies of Arthur Machen and John Steinbeck, both of which were published through the University of Texas. While working on the Steinbeck bibliography with research librarians at the Harry Ransom Humanities Research Center, he also worked out the sale and gift of part of his extensive Steinbeck library to the Center. The rest of his collection went to institutions in California.

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## Scope and Contents

The Adrian Goldstone Collection, 1922-1977, is composed primarily of correspondence, which often includes typescripts and revised copies of works in progress, much of it relating to his research on Edwin B. Hill and John Steinbeck, as well as his interest in Rockwell Kent. The collection is organized into four series: Series I. Personal Correspondence and Papers, 1950-1977 (.5 box); Series II. Edwin B. Hill, 1965-1973 (2 folders); Series III. John Steinbeck, 1966-1975 (1.5 boxes); and Series IV. Rockwell Kent, 1922-1975 (1 box). Most of the material in the third series was previously considered part of the John Steinbeck collection and all of the material in the fourth series was previously considered part of the Rockwell Kent collection. Incoming and outgoing correspondence is interfiled throughout the collection.

The Personal Correspondence and Papers series holds letters written between Goldstone and various friends and fellow book collectors. Correspondents include Nathan Bengis, J. Rives Childs, and others. Individual correspondents are listed in the Index of Correspondents at the end of this guide.

The Edwin B. Hill series contains letters and book lists that chronicle Goldstone's search for information on Hill. His correspondence with Carl Hertzog and Gertrude Muir was particularly productive. With the exception of the Hertzog letters, Goldstone's correspondence on this topic is arranged chronologically rather than alphabetically. Individual correspondents are listed in the Index of Correspondents at the end of this guide.

The John Steinbeck series contains a vast array of correspondents, demonstrating the lengths to which Goldstone went to complete his Steinbeck bibliography. Of particular note is his correspondence with the Harry Ransom Center. This batch of letters provides the three-way correspondence which took place between Goldstone, John Payne, and Warren Roberts as they worked out details of his bibliography and the transfer of a portion of Goldstone's vast Steinbeck collection to the Center. Other correspondents on this topic include Herman Abromson, Preston Beyer, Lee Hayman, and others. Correspondence with Preston Beyer and John Payne contains a quantity of draft material and book lists related to Goldstone's Steinbeck bibliography. With the exception of institutions and people in the Various book collections and Various libraries and

publishers folders, individual correspondents are listed in the Index of Correspondents at the end of this guide.

The Rockwell Kent series is composed of correspondence between Kent and Goldstone who admired each other's work, as well as letters between Goldstone and Dan Bourne Jones and various book collectors and sellers regarding Jones' bibliography of Kent's works. With the exception of institutions and people in the Various book sellers and Kent collectors folder, individual correspondents are listed in the Index of Correspondents at the end of this guide.

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## **Related Material**

Other materials associated with Adrian Goldstone may be found in the following collections at the Ransom Center:

- Alfred A. Knopf, Inc.
  - Armstrong, T.I.F.
  - Cather, Willa Seibert
  - Kent, Rockwell
  - Machen, Arthur
  - Shiel, Matthew Phipps
  - Steinbeck, John
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## **Separated Material**

Elsewhere in the Ransom Center are 14 vertical files containing collected newspaper clippings and other printed matter relating to biographical information and literary criticism regarding John Steinbeck as well as material about book collecting, book sales and auctions, and related events and an additional 56 Vertical Files associated with the works and activities of Rockwell Kent.

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## **Index Terms**

### **Correspondents**

- Abromson, Herman.
- Bengis, Nathan L.
- Childs, J. Rives (James Rives), 1893-1987.
- Chord, James Timothy.

Goldstone, Adrian H., 1897-1977

Hayman, Lee Richard.

Hertzog, Carl

Kent, Rockwell, 1882-1971.

Muir, Gertrude H.

**Subjects**

Steinbeck, John, 1902-1968.

**Document Types**

Scrapbooks.

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**Series I. Personal Correspondence and Papers, 1950-1977**

A-Z	<b>Box 1 Folder 1</b>
Bengis, Nathan L., 1960-1974	<b>Folder 2</b>
Burlingame: Of Making Books, undated	<b>Container gf 1</b>
Childs, J. Rives, 1958-1973	<b>Box 1 Folder 3</b>
Iraldi, James C., 1970	<b>Folder 4</b>
Robinson, Beth and George, 1974 1950-1963	<b>Box 3 Folder 8</b>
Van Vechten, Carl, 1950-1963	<b>Box 1 Folder 5</b>
Obolensky, Ivan, <i>Rogue's Travels</i> , unrevised galley proofs, 104 pages, undated	<b>Container gf 2</b>

Goldstone, Adrian H., 1897-1977

**Series II. Edwin B. Hill, 1965-1973**

Correspondence and research material

**Box 1 Folder  
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Hertzog, Carl, 1965-1973

**Folder 7**

### Series III. John Steinbeck 1966-1975

#### Correspondence

A-Z	<b>Box 1 Folder 8</b>
Abromson, Herman, 1972-1973	<b>Folder 9</b>
Beyer, Preston, 1963-1973	<b>Folder 10</b>
Harry Ransom Center, 1971-1974	<b>Folder 11-12</b>
Harry Ransom Center, 1971-1974 (continued)	<b>Box 2 Folder 1-3</b>
Hayashi, Dr. Tetsumaro, 1968-1969	<b>Box 3 Folder 8</b>
Hayman, Lee Richard, 1969-1974	<b>Box 2 Folder 4</b>
John Steinbeck Society, 1977	<b>Box 3 Folder 8</b>
Lynch, Gregory, Mrs., 1972-1974	<b>Box 2 Folder 5</b>
Miller, William V. letter to members of the Steinbeck Quarterly, 1972	<b>Box 3 Folder 8</b>
Various book collectors and dealers	<b>Box 2 Folder 6</b>
Various libraries and publishers	<b>Folder 7</b>

#### Research Material

Bibliographic card file	<b>Box 4-6</b>
Steinbeck, John, Rationale, 6 pages, undated	<b>Box 3 Folder 8</b>
Scrapbook of Steinbeck articles published in the <i>New York Herald Tribune</i> , June-December 1943	<b>Box 2</b>
Photocopies of Steinbeck scrapbook	<b>Folder 9</b>

**Series IV. Rockwell Kent, 1922-1975**

Correspondence between Rockwell Kent and

Chord, John Timothy, 1933-1947 **Box 3 Folder 1**

Crowninshield, Frank, 1922 **Folder 2**

Goldstone, Adrian H., 1966-1967 **Folder 3**

Correspondence between Adrian Goldstone and

Jones, Dan Bourne, 1968-1971 **Box 3 Folder 4**

Spector, George, 1975 **Folder 5**

Various book sellers and Kent collectors, 1966-1974 **Folder 6**

Rockwell Kent biographical sketch and bibliography, typescripts, bibliography is  
thought to be by Dan Bourne Jones, undated **Folder**  
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- Bertram Rota, Ltd.--1.1
- Beyer, Preston--1.10
- Carlin, Lianne--1.1
- Carlson, Norman V.--1.8
- Childs, J. Rives (James Rives), 1893-1987--1.3
- Chord, James Timothy--3.1
- Clemens, Cyril--1.1
- Collins, Tom--1.8
- Contact Talent Associates--1.8
- Criscione, John--1.8
- Crowninshield, Frank, 1872-1947--3.2
- De Mott, Bob--1.8
- Gerber, Helmut E., 1920- --1.8
- Goldblatt, Kenneth A.--1.6
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- Harry Ransom Humanities Research Center (John Payne, Warren Roberts)--1.11-2.3
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- Hayman, Lee Richard--2.4
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- Iraldi, James C.--1.4
- Jones, Dan Bourne--1.1, 3.4
- Kent, Rockwell, 1882-1971--3.1-3
- Lepper, Gary--1.8
- Lynch, Gregory, Mrs.--2.5
- Mott, Howard S.--1.1
- Muir, Gertrude H.--1.6
- Mystery Writers of America--1.1
- O'Flanagan, Desmond--1.8
- Potter, Jack--1.1
- Powell, Lawrence Clark--1.1
- Siefker, Donald L.--1.8
- Spector, George--3.5
- Starrett, Vincent, 1886-1974--1.6
- Swester, Wes--1.1, 1.6
- Thorsen, W.B.--1.6 (5)
- Todd, William B.--1.8 (3 with Lepper, Gary)
- Valjean, Nelson, 1901- --1.8 (5)
- Van Vechten, Carl, 1880-1964--1.5 (7)
- Vanderwood, Paul J.--1.8 (11)

**Barcode List**

- 1--059188000055085
- 2--059188000055096
- 3--059188000055100
- 4--059188000055267
- 5--059188000055278
- 6--059188000055289