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WHITE (Samuel Alexander) PAPERS

Manuscripts, typescripts and tearsheets of published novels and short stories, part of an unpublished autobiography, drawings and sketches, some correspondence with publishers.

Extent of collection: 44 boxes.

The collection was presented to the Thomas Fisher Rare Book Library by Mr. White's daughter, Janette H. White, in 1982. Miss White places no restriction on the use of the material.

Papers pertaining to the teaching career of S.A. White and to that of his father, James White, have been sent to the Ontario Archives.

Don McLeod  
R. Grover, 1983

White (Samuel Alexander) PapersCHRONOLOGY

- 16 Sept. 1884 Born at Edmonton (Now Snelgrove, Ont.), Son of James White, a Canadian naturalist, and Helen (Urquhart). Brother of J.H. White, Professor of Forestry, University of Toronto.
- 1891-1892 Student at Carthage Public School, Carthage, Ont.
- 1892-1897 Snelgrove Public School, Snelgrove, Ont.
- 1897-1901 Brampton High School, Brampton, Ont.
- 1901-1902 Brampton Model School for Teachers, Brampton, Ont.
- 1902-1907 Teacher, Sandhill Public School, Sandhill, Ont.
- 1902 White's first published works began to appear under the name Kismet and S.A. White-Kismet, in The Toronto Mail and Empire, The Toronto Sunday World, The Toronto Globe, and The Canadian Courier. White also began to publish a number of song lyrics, mostly through Harry Sparks, a Toronto music publisher, by 1907, writing under his own name.
- 1908-1915 Wrote numerous stories and poems for a variety of magazines, including Canadian Magazine, Canadian Courier, People's Magazine, Saturday Night, Bohemian, Gray Goose, Smart Set, Outing Magazine, Gunter's Magazine, etc.
- 1910 White's first novel published: The Stampeder, (Toronto: William Briggs).
- 1912 Publication of The Wildcatters; A Tale of Cobalt, (Toronto: William Briggs).
- 28 Sept. 1912 White married Vennie Giffen, of Snelgrove, Ont.
- 1913 Empery; A Story of Love and Battle in Rupert's Land. (New York: Outing Publishing Co.; Toronto: Musson).
- 1914-1918 Wrote numerous works for Adventure Magazine, including ten book-length novels and two long serials composed of ten installments each.
- 1920 Ambush. (New York: Doubleday).  
North Of The Law. (New York: Doubleday).

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- 1921  
The Foaming Fore Shore. (New York: Doubleday).
- 9-22 Aug. 1922  
Book-Length Serial: "The Trail of the Rabiscaws",  
Family Herald and Weekly Star.
- 30 Aug. -  
4 Oct. 1922  
Book-Length Serial: "The Posts of Pillage", Family  
Herald and Weekly Star.
- 4-25 Oct. 1922  
"The making of Louis Lavergne", Family Herald and  
Weekly Star.
- 16 Sept. -  
16 Dec. 1922  
"The Camps of Chaos", Toronto Star Weekly.
- 1923  
White worked as a teacher at Snelgrove Public School,  
Snelgrove, Ont.
- 3-17 Jan. 1923  
Serial: "Sunless Seas", Family Herald and Weekly Star.
- 13 Jan. -  
9 June 1923  
"Further Tales of the Camps of Chaos", Toronto Star  
Weekly.
- 24 Jan. -  
7 February 1923  
"The Seigniory of the Seas", Family Herald and Weekly  
Star.
- 2 May -  
13 June 1923  
"The Changeless Coast", Family Herald and Weekly Star.
- 20 June - 25  
July 1923  
"The Spoilsman", Family Herald and Weekly Star.
- 1924  
Worked as teacher at Nortonville Public School,  
Nortonville, Ont.
- 7-28 May 1924  
"The Bison Trail", Family Herald and Weekly Star.
- 29 Sept- 29  
Dec. 1926  
"Lords of the Lakelands", Family Herald and Weekly Star.
- 1927  
Long Serial "Blended Brigades". Published in Rod and  
Gun and Canadian Silver Fox News.
- 1928-1933  
Book-length series of stories entitled "Man Scent" .  
Appeared in Northern Messenger.
- 1929-1930  
Wrote numerous serials and book-length novels for  
North-West Stories.
- 1935  
Publication of novel Man Scent. (London: Country Life;  
New York: Scribners; Toronto: Copp, Clark).

Dec. 1935-  
Apr. 1936

Serial: "The Spongers", National Home Monthly.

18 Aug. -  
29 Sept. 1937

"The Rafters", Family Herald and Weekly Star.

1938

Publication of Nighthawk of the Northwest. (New York: Phoenix; London: Foulsham).

1939

Morgan of the Mounted. (New York: Phoenix; London: Eldon; Toronto: Ryerson).

1940

The Code of the Northwest. (New York: Phoenix; London: Eldon; Toronto: Ryerson).

1941

North of the Border. (New York: Phoenix; London: Eldon; Toronto: Ryerson).

Northwest Wagons. (New York: Phoenix; London: Eldon; Toronto: Ryerson).

1942

Northwest Law. (New York: Phoenix; London: Foulsham; Toronto: Ryerson).

Called Northwest. (New York: Phoenix; London: Foulsham; Toronto: Ryerson).

1943

Northwest Patrol. (New York: Phoenix; London: Eldon; Toronto: Ryerson).

1944

Northwest Crossing. (New York: Phoenix; Toronto: Ryerson).

1945

Northwest Raiders. (New York: Phoenix; Toronto: Ryerson).

1948

Flaming Furlands. (Toronto: Ryerson).

3 Oct. 1956

S.A. White died at Toronto. Survived by his wife, two sons, and two daughters.

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SERIES DESCRIPTION

Boxes 1-3

A. Correspondence, 1909-1954.

Largely professional correspondence with publishers and agents, relating to White's stories, poems, song lyrics, and novels. Very few letters written by White. Correspondence arranged alphabetically, with additional miscellaneous files.

Box 4

B. Biographical and Autobiographical Material.

Includes short biographies of White as well as a checklist of his publications. Typescript of White's unpublished autobiography, "Canadian Sagaland; Wild Editors I Have Met -- By Letter, Telephone, Telegraph, Cable; Word-of-Mouth, and Hand Shake", ca. 1935, complete with interfiled correspondence. White's schoolboy compositions, ca. 1900.

Box 5

C. Publishing contracts and financial records, 1905-1950.

Boxes 6-22

D. Novels, ca. 1908-1948.

Includes White's published novels as well as novel-length serials. Manuscripts and typescripts, includes untitled works.

Boxes 23-30

E. Short Stories.

Manuscripts and typescripts of published and unpublished stories. Includes untitled works.

Boxes 31-32

F. Serials and Radio Dramas.

Manuscripts and typescripts of published and unpublished works.

Box 33

G. Poetry, Song Lyrics, Jokes.

Manuscripts and typescripts of published and unpublished works.

Boxes 34-35

H. Fragments of Unidentified Works by S.A. White.

Manuscript and typescript fragments.

Box 36

I. Research Notes and Photographs.

Box 37

J. Reviews of S.A. White's Works.

Box 38

K. Material Relating to S.A. White's Family.

Includes obituary of James White Sr. "Pioneer days of Snelgrove", by Mrs. S.A. White.

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- Box 39  
oversize
- L. Drawings and Illustrations by S.A. White.
- Includes drawings and illustrations, dust jackets for White's Works, and publisher's sample books.
- Boxes 40-44  
oversize
- M. Printed Material, ca. 1905-1950.
- Includes copies of magazines containing works by White, as well as clippings and tearsheets of works by White taken from various newspapers and magazines.

CONTAINER LISTING

## A. Correspondence, 1909-1954.

Largely professional correspondence with publishers and agents, relating to White's stories, poems, song lyrics, and novels.

Box 1

Letters from American publishers, agents and film companies. Arranged alphabetically, A-J.

Box 2

Letters from American publishers and agents, K-, includes correspondence with Otis Adelbert Kline, White's New York literary agent.  
Letters from foreign publishers.

Box 3

Letters from various Canadian publishers, booksellers, libraries, etc.  
Includes letters from readers.

## B. Biographical and Autobiographical Material.

Box 4

Typescript of White's unpublished autobiography, "Canadian Sagaland; Wild Editors I Have Met -- By Letter, Telephone, Telegraph, Cable, Word-Of-Mouth, and Hand-Shake". ca. 1935. Numerous letters from publishers have been interfiled within the work. Biographical information concerning S.A. White, including a photograph. A short biography and a checklist of publications. School compositions, ca. 1900.

## C. Publishing Contracts and Financial Records, 1905-1950.

Box 5

Publishing contracts, 1905-1948.  
Financial records, 1920's-1950.

## D. Novels, ca. 1908-1948.

Includes White's published and unpublished novels as well as novel-length serials.

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CONTAINER LISTING: (CONT.)

- Box 6                    Novels, A-BI
- The Alaskan (incomplete).  
Anticosti Alec.  
Arthur of Cairnsforthe.  
Big Stakes.  
The Birchbark Bearers.
- Box 7                    Novels, C-CO
- The Call of the Magdeleine.  
Called Northwest.  
Canoemen of the Crimson Star.  
Captains of Northern Cables.  
The Code of the Northwest.
- Box 8                    Novels, CO-FL.
- Contraband.  
Couriers of the Northern Stars.  
Demon Isle or the West.  
The Dream and the Challenge.  
The Flags of Arctic Fur.  
Floes Before the West Wind.
- Box 9                    Novels, FO-H.
- The Foaming Foreshore.  
Fortune Fiord (Ambergris).  
The Gray Gull Wings West Ward.  
Gulf or the Western World.  
The Hinterland.
- Box 10                   Novels, J-MO
- The Joseph Voyageurs (incomplete).  
The Long Portage.  
Magnet of the Westland.  
Maid of the Magdalen Isles.  
The Making of Louis Lavergne.  
Man-Scent.  
Morgan of the Mounted.
- Box 11                   Novels, MY-NO.
- The Mystery of the Javelin Rings.  
North of the Border (Northwest Shepherd).  
[see also Box 21]  
North of the Law.

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- Box 12                    Novels, No.
- Northwest Crossing.  
Northwest Law (Three Northwest Torches).
- Box 13                    Novels, No.
- Northwest Raiders.  
Northwest Rifles.  
Northwest Wagons (Wheels of Northwest Wagons).  
[see also Box 21].
- Box 14                    Novels, NO-PL.
- The North Wind's Medicine.  
Nuggets of the Midnight Sun.  
The Ocean Bourne - A Tale of the Newfoundland  
Sailing Fleet. [see also Box 21].  
Out of the Northland Mirage.  
Over the Western Horizon.  
Piegan Paint.  
Plains Hunter from the Judith Basin.
- Box 15                    Novels, PO-PU.
- The Poacher.  
The Posts of Pillage.  
Princess of the Ravens.  
The Proving of Louis Lavergne.  
The Pulse Primordial.
- Box 16                    Novels, R-RI.
- The Revolutionists; A Columbian Romance.  
[see also Box 21].  
Riders of Red River Valley.  
Rifle Green and Scarlet: A Story of Northwest Surrender.
- Box 17                    Novels, RI-SP.
- Rifle Green and Scarlet.  
The Shadow Hunter.  
Shores of Challenge.  
The Spoilsman.
- Box 18                    Novels, ST-T
- The Stampeder.  
Stampeders of the Snowlands.  
Sunless Seas (incomplete).  
Sure Medicine (incomplete).  
Trackers of Trampling Lake (incomplete).





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CONTAINER LISTING: (CONT.)

F. Serials and Radio Dramas (cont.)

Box 32                    Serials and Radio Dramas, M-W.  
                          Includes "Moira Lake Memories" series, "Tales  
                          of Raj Bagh, the King Tiger" and "Palmolive on  
                          the Prairies" Radio Drama.

G. Poetry, Song Lyrics, Jokes.

Box 33                    Typescripts and Manuscripts of Poetry, Song Lyrics  
                          and Jokes.

H. Fragments of Unidentified Works by S.A. White.

Box 34                    Manuscript Fragments.

Box 35                    Typescript Fragments.

I. Research Notes and Photographs.

Box 36                    Includes notes on the Yukon and on the Hudson's Bay Company.  
                          Photographs for White's Books and Stories.

J. Reviews of S.A. White's Works.

Box 37                    Miscellaneous Reviews and Advertisements for White's Works.

K. Material Relating to S.A. White's Family.

Box 38                    Includes obituary of James White Sr. "Pioneer Days of  
                          Snelgrove", an Article by Mrs. S.A. White.

L. Drawings and Illustrations by S.A. White.

Box 39                    Drawings and Illustrations by S.A. White.  
                          Dust Jackets for White's Books.  
                          Publisher's Sample Books  
                          - Ambush.  
                          - The Foaming Foreshore.  
                          - North of the Law.

M. Printed Material, ca. 1905-1950.

Box 40                    Copies of Magazines containing work by S.A. White.  
                          The Canadian Magazine.  
                          The Country Guide.  
                          The Farmer Magazine.  
                          Forest and Outdoors,  
                          Hunting and Fishing in Canada.  
                          Maclean's Magazine.  
                          National Home Monthly.  
                          The New Magazine.  
                          Ontario Farmer.  
                          Rod and Gun and Canadian Silver Fox News.

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CONTAINER LISTING: (CONT.)

M. Printed Material, ca. 1905-1950 (cont.)

Box 41                   Copies of popular pulp magazines containing work by S.A. White.  
                          Adventure Magazine.  
                          All Star Western and Frontier Magazine.  
                          Complete Northwest.  
                          Empire Frontier.  
                          The Premier Magazine.  
                          Sea Stories.

Box 42                   Copies of popular pulp magazines containing work by S.A. White.  
                          Northwest Stories.  
                          Novel Magazine.  
                          Short Stories.  
                          Star Magazine.  
                          Western Action.  
                          Wild West Stories and Complete Novel.

Box 43                   Microfilm  
                          Duplicates  
                          239  
                          Clippings and tearsheets of works by S.A. White, taken from  
                          various newspapers and magazines including The Family Herald  
                          and Weekly Star. (microfilm copy also available).

Box 44                   Microfilm  
                          Duplicates  
                          239  
                          Clippings and Tearsheets of Works by White, from The Northern  
                          Messenger, The Toronto Star Weekly and other newspapers and  
                          magazines (microfilm copy also available).