

# Guide to the Poems on Affairs of State Records

## OSB MSS 167



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## Collection Overview

**REPOSITORY:** Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library  
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**CALL NUMBER:** OSB MSS 167

**TITLE:** Poems on affairs of state records

**DATES:** [circa 1960-1980]

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 13 linear feet (16 boxes)

**LANGUAGE:** English

**SUMMARY:** The Poems on Affairs of State Records consist of typescripts of Augustan satirical poems, galley proofs, and a number of card indexes, all related to the Yale edition of *Poems on Affairs of State: Augustan Satirical Verse, 1660-1714*.

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## Requesting Instructions

To request items from this collection for use in the Beinecke Library reading room, please use the request links in the HTML version of this finding aid, available at <https://hdl.handle.net/10079/fa/beinecke.poas>.

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Key to the container abbreviations used in the PDF finding aid:

b.        box

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## Administrative Information

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### Immediate Source of Acquisition

Transferred from the *Poems on Affairs of State* editorial project office, Yale University Library, 2001.

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### Conditions Governing Access

The materials are open for research.

## Conditions Governing Use

The Poems on Affairs of State Records are the physical property of the Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library, Yale University. Literary rights, including copyright, belong to the authors or their legal heirs and assigns. For further information, consult the appropriate curator.

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## Preferred Citation

Poems on Affairs of State Records. James Marshall and Marie-Louise Osborn Collection, Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library, Yale University.

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## Processing Information

This collection received a basic level of processing, including rehousing and minimal organization, in 2010. Box titles appearing in the contents list below are based on those provided by the creator or previous custodian.

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## Poems on Affairs of State

The multivolume Yale edition of *Poems on Affairs of State: Augustan Satirical Verse, 1660-1714 (POAS)* was begun in 1963 and completed in 1975. Under the general editorship of Yale English professor George de Forest Lord, the editorial project published seven volumes of chronologically arranged satirical and political verse, as well as a volume of selections from the full edition.

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## Arrangement

Organized into two series: I. Poems, 1960-1980. II. Index Card Files, 1960-1980.

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## Collection Contents

### Series I: Poem Typescripts, [circa 1960-1980]

*7 linear feet (7 boxes)*

The series contains an alphabetically arranged set of files containing typescripts of poems identified as "printed," presumably in *POAS*; two partial alphabetical file sets containing typescripts of poems identified as "rejects;" and notes and typescripts for Volume II of *POAS*.

The material is arranged as it was received by the library.

b. 1	Printed poems A-K	undated
b. 2	Printed poems H-S	undated
b. 3	Printed poems T-Z	undated
b. 4	Rejects: T-Z (incomplete run)	undated
b. 5	Rejects: F-J (incomplete run)	undated
b. 6	Notes and text for volume II	undated
b. 7	Printed poems and galleys of volume I	undated

**Series II: Index Card Files, [circa 1960-1980]***6 linear feet (9 boxes)*

*Series II* consists of nine index card files, several of which appear to be associated with editors of specific *POAS* volumes.

The material is arranged in no particular order.

b. 8	First line index	undated
b. 9	Title index	undated
b. 10	Mengel original cards; unpublished poems	undated
b. 11	Lord cards; 1st line index of poems in <i>Notes and Queries</i> (I)	undated
b. 12	1st line index of poems in <i>Notes and Queries</i> (II)	undated
b. 13	1st line index - Cameron cards, Mengel cards, Schless cards	undated
b. 14	Unpublished poems 1660-1688 A-S	undated
b. 15	Unpublished poems 1660-1688 T-Z; other <i>POAS</i> cards (no label) P-Z	undated
b. 16	Index (no label)	undated

## **Selected Search Terms**

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

### **Subjects**

English poetry -- Early modern, 1500-1700  
Poetry -- Editing  
Political poetry, English  
Verse satire, English

### **Names**

Lord, George deForest, 1919-2012

### **Corporate Body**

Yale University