

# Guide to the Wilder Family Correspondence

YCAL MSS 1006



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## Collection Overview

**REPOSITORY:** Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library  
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**CALL NUMBER:** YCAL MSS 1006

**CREATOR:** Wilder family

**TITLE:** Wilder family correspondence

**DATES:** circa 1990s-2000s

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 12 linear feet (12 boxes)

**LANGUAGE:** English

**SUMMARY:** The collection consists of photocopies of letters to and from Thornton Wilder and other members of the Wilder family. The correspondence roughly spans 1910-1975 and the photocopies were likely made between 1990 and 2009. The photocopies were made for members of the Wilder family from materials previously acquired by the Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library and other research libraries.

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## Requesting Instructions

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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

Gift of Catharine W. Guiles and A. Tappan Wilder, 2013.

## Conditions Governing Access

The materials are open for research.

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## Conditions Governing Use

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## Preferred Citation

Wilder Family Correspondence. Yale Collection of American Literature, Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library.

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## Processing Information

Collections are processed to a variety of levels, depending on the work necessary to make them usable, their perceived research value, the availability of staff, competing priorities, and whether or not further accruals are expected. The library attempts to provide a basic level of preservation and access for all collections as they are acquired, and does more extensive processing of higher priority collections as time and resources permit.

This collection received a basic level of processing, including rehousing and minimal organization.

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## Arrangement

Arranged alphabetically by correspondent.

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## Collection Contents

b. 1	Aaron - Brandt
b. 2	Breen - "Dear Dick"
b. 3	Gilbert and Janet Troxell - Carl Zuckmayer
b. 4	Dear Elena/Liebe Elena - Glenn, C. Leslie
b. 5	Gode-von Aesch - Hyatt, A.R.
b. 6	J. Ingalls - Henry R. Luce
b. 7	Mabel Dodge Luhan - Lew Sarett
b. 8	Elizabeth Shepley Sergeant - Miss Swetland (Oberlin archives)
b. 9	Miss Genevieve Taggart - June and Leonard, "Tom" Trolley
b. 10	Wilder family [1 of 3]
b. 11	Wilder family [2 of 3]
b. 12	Wilder family [3 of 3]

## **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**

American literature -- 20th Century  
Authors, American -- 20th Century

### **Occupations**

Authors -- United States -- 20th Century

### **Families**

Wilder family

### **Names**

Wilder, Thornton, 1897-1975