

# Guide to the Dodsley's Collection, Yale University, Records

RU 81



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## Collection Overview

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**CALL NUMBER:** RU 81

**CREATOR:** Dodsley's Collection (Yale University)

**TITLE:** Dodsley's Collection, Yale University, records

**DATES:** 1950-1980

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 0.5 linear feet (2 boxes)

**LANGUAGE:** English

**SUMMARY:** The records consist of member lists, correspondence, essays, and papers documenting Dodsley's Collection at Yale. Among the records is a paper that discusses the derivation of the club's name.

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b.      box  
f.      folder

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## Administrative Information

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### Immediate Source of Acquisition

Gift, 1999.

## **Conditions Governing Access**

The materials are open for research.

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## **Preferred Citation**

Dodsley's Collection, Yale University, Records (RU 81). Manuscripts and Archives, Yale University Library.

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## **Biographical / Historical**

The Dodsley's Collection was founded by Wilmarth S. Lewis and Herman W. Liebert in 1950. It served as a dining club for scholars from Yale to recite and discuss 18th century works. It met once a year until 1980.

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## **General note**

Forms part of Yale Record Group 40 (YRG 40), Records of Yale clubs, societies, and organizations.

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## **Arrangement**

The collection is arranged by type of material.

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## Collection Contents

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	Minutes of the meetings	
b. 1, f. 1	1950 Dec 4-1961 Dec 21	
b. 1, f. 2	1962 Apr-May	
b. 2	Correspondence and papers	Circa 1962-1980

## **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**

College students -- Societies, etc.

Literature -- Societies, etc.

### **Corporate Bodies**

Dodsley's Collection (Yale University)

Yale University -- Societies, etc.

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