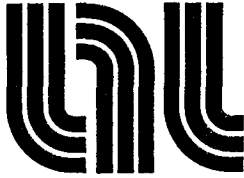


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Ralph L. Fansler was an alumnus of Northwestern University and a Walt Whitman enthusiast. Besides collecting Whitman material, he researched and wrote a biography of the poet. In the course of this project he became acquainted with Whitman's niece, Jessie L. Whitman. She gave him some of her signed first editions and other Whitman material. Fansler donated his entire collection including books, manuscript of the biography THE PASSWORD PRIMEVAL, notes, and correspondence to Northwestern University in 1942.

The Fansler/Whitman Collection consists of the archival material in Ralph Fansler's collection. Included are the manuscript of his Walt Whitman biography, THE PASSWORD PRIMEVAL, and any notes and correspondence pertaining to it; correspondence with publishing companies in attempts to get it published; correspondence with Jessie L. Whitman and others regarding the poet. Much of this material is addressed to "Garrett Newkirk", a pseudonym Fansler used. Original Walt Whitman correspondence has been cataloged separately. Information about Fansler's donation and acceptance by Northwestern University can be obtained from departmental files.

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- F. 1 Notebook: Ralph Fansler (Garrett Newkirk) interview with Jessie L. Whitman. 48pp.
Fansler's drafts of correspondence with Miss Whitman, Oct.-Nov., 1939. 19pp.
ALS from Jessie L. Whitman answering questions about Whitman family history, March 6, 1939. 2pp.
- F. 2 Correspondence of Jessie L. Whitman, St. Louis, Missouri, to Ralph Fansler/Garrett Newkirk.
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- F. 5 Correspondence. Anne M. (Mrs. Horace) Traubel, Germantown, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, to Ralph Fansler/Garrett Newkirk.
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| | ALS | 3/16/1939 | 2pp. | |
| RF | TLS | 4/7/1939 | 3pp. | Fansler's TLS carbon reply |
| | ALS | 4/11/1939 | 6pp. | |
| | ALS | 5/24/1939 | 3pp. | |
| | ALS | 8/24/1939 | 1p | |
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| RF | TLS | 9/26/1939 | 2pp. | Fansler's TLS carbon reply |
| | ALS | 10/2/1939 | 1p. | |
| | ALS | 11/2/1939 | 1p. | |
| | ALS | 7/8/1940 | 2pp. | |
| | ALS | 8/7/1940 | 1p. | |
- F. 6 Miscellaneous correspondence. 15 letters responding to requests for information about Whitman or his family. 41pp. Map of Bellefontaine Cemetery.
- F. 7 Miscellaneous correspondence. 8 letters responding to requests for copyright information or permission to publish material in THE PASSWORD PRIMEVAL. 24pp. ALS from Fansler's daughter 10/9/1942 4pp. ALS from Henry S. Saunders, Toronto, Canada. 8/25/1939 4pp. Includes typed list of Whitman materials for sale.
- F. 8 Receipts of expenses incurred in conducting research on biography, 1938-1941. Includes expense account log.
- F. 9 Exhibit of Fansler's Whitman Collection in Detroit Public Library in March, 1942. Includes list of materials on display, photographs, and letters about the exhibit.
- F. 10 Northwestern University.
2 TL carbons from Ralph L. Fansler to Franklyn B. Snyder, President, N.U. 9/21 and 9/25/1942 7pp. Re: donation of Whitman collection.
Northwestern University Alumni News, November, 1942 (pages 10-11 highlight Fansler's Collection)
Northwestern University News, v. 1#1, February 15, 1943. (p. 12 Fansler's donation is mentioned)

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- F. 11 Ephemera. Miscellaneous information about Walt Whitman, Whitman scholars, or Whitman exhibits.
- F. 12 Photographic plates of Hannah Whitman, George and Louisa Whitman, and Manahatta and Jessie Whitman. Made from original photographs for Fansler.
- Box 2 *Spec. hps. of Whitman exhibits*
- F. 1 THE PASSWORD PRIMEVAL. Typescript (incomplete), pp. 37-321 and table of contents.
- F. 2 THE PASSWORD PRIMEVAL. Typescript (incom.), pp. i-xix, 1-376, with collation information.
- F. 3 Typescripts. "Section three. Preliminary Drafts of Poems in 'Leaves of Grass'" With corrections. 2 copies
Includes: "First draft of Leaves of Grass"
"Glossary of words, phrases used by Walt Whitman"
"A concordance to the seventy-two leaves of grass"
"Walt Whitman, wound dresser" 44pp.
- F. 4 Fansler's research notes
Spiral notebook, #760-S, 37pp.
Binder, 145pp.
Spiral notebook, #40, 98pp.
Loose notes, 29pp.
Legal pads, 63pp. & 63pp.
- F. 5 Publishing correspondence
Letters regarding Fansler's attempts to publish THE PASSWORD PRIMEVAL (Bobbs-Merrill, E.P. Dutton, Alfred A. Knopf, Viking Press, Covici, Friede, Inc.) 22pp.
- F. 6 Bill of sale of manuscript of THE PASSWORD PRIMEVAL and full rights for royalties to Ada S. Fansler, 1/15/42.

ALS 11/11/1943 2pp. Christmas card from Fanslers to Jessie L. Whitman. returned "unclaimed" December 18, 1944. Note by. Fansler "We lost touch with Miss W. She was 87 then." Notebook. Ralph Fansler correspondence drafts to Jessie L. Whitman, November 22, 1939-May 3, 1942. Miss Whitman's letters to Fansler were originally attached to pages in this notebook. 29pp. Nov 19, 2018 11/18. by Canby, Vincent. texts. Excerpts from the May 11, 1973 New York Times, at the time of the dismissal of charges against Ellsberg and Russo. Topic: Richard Nixon, pentagon papers. Donation Items. 63 63. New York Times Index Donation. Apr 6, 2018 04/18. data. eye 63. Start studying Pp 2: Lektion 5. Learn vocabulary, terms and more with flashcards, games and other study tools. 22 terms. st326PLUS. Pp2: Lektion 11-12. 17 terms. st326PLUS. Pp2: Lektion 15. 13 terms. st326PLUS. Other sets by this creator. Pp2: Lektion 13-15. 32 terms. st326PLUS. Pp 2: Lektion 9-10. 21 terms. st326PLUS. Advanced Query. Donate. Le Journal de Spirou #18/1945. (28 juin 1945). Dupuis, 1938 Series. < Previous Issue |. 0/1938 1/1938 2/1938 3/1938 4/1938 5/1938 6/1938 7/1938 8/1938 9/1938 10/1938 11/1938 12/1938 13/1938 14/1938 15/1938 16/1938 17/1938 18/1938 19/1938 20/1938 21/1938 22/1938 23/1938 24/1938 25/1938 26/1938 27/1938 28/1938 29/1938 30/1938. 31/1938 32/1938 33/1938 34/1938 35/1938 36/1938 37/1938 1/1939 2/1939 3/1939 4/1939 5/1939 6/1939 7/1939 8/1939 9/1939 10/1939 11/1939 12/1939 13/1939 14/1939 15/1939 16/1939 17/1939 18/1939 19/1939 20/1939 21/1939 22/1939 23/1939 24/1939.