

Edith Gough Row collection, 1936-1989

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Maine Women Writers Collection

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Summary Information

Repository: Maine Women Writers Collection

Creator: Row, Edith Gough

Title: Edith Gough Row collection

ID: 0298

Date [inclusive]: 1936-1989

Physical Description: 18 folders

Preferred Citation

Edith Gough Row collection, Maine Women Writers Collection, University of New England, Portland, Maine

Biographical/Historical Note

Edith Gough Row was born in 1895 and raised in Perry, Maine but lived the bulk of her adult life in Cambridge, Massachusetts. She left Perry after finishing school and married Arthur Row. The newlyweds moved into his parents' townhouse in Cambridge and Edith found herself running the three story rooming house for Harvard students. Around this time, her poetry began to get published in Boston area newspapers. During World War II, her poetry took a more serious turn. Shortly after her husband's death in 1954, Row moved back to Maine, to an old sea captain's house up the street from her childhood home. Her frustration with the narrowness of her surroundings eventually caused her to go south for the long Maine winters. Her ambivalence toward Maine and her neighbors often found its way into her poetry of this period. She died in 1975 while visiting her children in Pennsylvania.

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Collection Scope and Content

Includes published poetry, correspondence, and "Memoir of my grandmother, Edith Row" by Robin St. John Conover.

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Arrangement

This collection is organized as a single series. Arranged by subject.

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Administrative Information

Publication Statement

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Access

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Controlled Access Headings

- American poetry -- 20th century
- Portland (Me.)
- Clippings
- Typescripts
- Correspondence
- Row, Edith Gough
- Row, Edith Gough
- Conover, Robin St. John

General

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Collection Inventory

| Title/Description | Instances | |
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| Memoir of my Grandmother - Robin St. John Conover | Box 18 | Folder 001 |
| Index to Poems given to MWWC | Box 18 | Folder 002 |
| Poetry from Quoddy Bulletin, 1961 | Box 18 | Folder 003 |
| American Courier, 1940s | Box 18 | Folder 004 |
| Press Herald clippings/letters | Box 18 | Folder 005 |
| The Dark Night | Box 18 | Folder 006 |
| | Box 18 | Folder 007 |
| | Box 18 | Folder 008 |
| | Box 18 | Folder 009 |
| Clippings | Box 18 | Folder 010 |
| Poetry Published in American Weave, Poet Laureate | Box 18 | Folder 011 |
| Maine Poetry Day Association, 1959 | Box 18 | Folder 012 |

| Poetry Published in Yankee, 1947-1948 | Box 18 | Folder 013 |
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| Boston Herald/ Cambridge Chronicle Clippings | Box 18 | Folder 014 |
| Boston Post | Box 18 | Folder 015 |
| "Nothing We Could Say" | Box 18 | Folder 016 |
| Rejection/ Acceptance letters | Box 18 | Folder 017 |
| Poetry reading/ interviews | Box 18 | Folder 018 |