

**University of Victoria Special Collections**

**Cuomo, George**

**SC031**

**Title**

George Cuomo fonds

**Dates**

ca. 1948-1994

**Extent**

50 m of textual records

**Biographical Sketch**

George Cuomo was born in New York City. He received a BA from Tufts University in 1952 and an MA from Indiana University in 1955. He taught English at the University of Arizona, Tucson from 1956-61, at Victoria College/University of Victoria from 1961 to 1965, from 1965 to 1973 at California State College at Hayward, California and from 1973 at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst. His first novel "Jack Be Nimble" was published in 1963. Among his best known novels are "Among Thieves", "Family Honor" and "Trial By Water". Cuomo has also published a book of short stories "Sing, Choirs of Angels", a textbook on reading and a non-fiction work "A Couple Of Cops".

**Scope and Content**

The fonds consists of records documenting Cuomo's writing activities. Fonds includes notebooks and lists recording hours worked and money earned from his writing; notes, variant drafts and proofs for his novels, short stories and poems, as well as news clippings and other research material; variant drafts of an unpublished play; variant drafts of essays, articles and book reviews; brochures and other ephemera.

**Finding Aids**

Inventory available with series and file level control.

**Title Source**

Title based on the contents of the fonds.

## GEORGE CUOMO

Accession 94-001

January 1994

### Box 1

FAMILY HONOR

-Srola

-rough draft #1

-notes and deletions

1975-77

1975-78

### Box 2

FAMILY HONOR

-Srola

-corrected drafts

-line printer version from drafts

1975-79

1979-80

### Box 3

FAMILY HONOR

-Srola

-line printer version(cont.)

-draft [photocopy]

1979-80

1978

### Box 4

FAMILY HONOR

-Srola

-draft [photocopy] (cont.)

-outline

-deletes

-rough drafts

1978

1978

1978-79

1979

### Box 5

FAMILY HONOR

-Srola

-rough drafts

-1st line printer version

1979

1979-80

### Box 6

FAMILY HONOR

-Srola

-1st line printer version (cont.) 1979-80  
-rough draft 1978

Box 7

FAMILY HONOR  
-Srola  
-rough draft (cont.) 1978  
-notes

Box 8

FAMILY HONOR  
-Srola  
-1st draft sent to Doubleday  
-computer printout of excerpts [for Redbook ] 1981-82

Box 9

FAMILY HONOR  
-Srola  
-line printer version sent to SV 1980-81  
(next to last draft)  
-line printer version 1980

Box 10

FAMILY HONOR  
-Srola  
-used and discarded notes 1980-81  
-deletions 1980-81

Box 11

FAMILY HONOR  
-Srola  
-computer version 1980  
-computer version 1982

Box 12

FAMILY HONOR  
-Srola  
-computer version (cont.) 1982  
-1st hand corrected and revised versions  
of 1980-81 SV draft 1981

Box 13

FAMILY HONOR

-Srola

-2nd hand corrected and revised version  
of 1980-81 SV draft & basis for final 1981  
draft, plus prolog and epilog drafts

1981

Box 14

FAMILY HONOR

-Srola

-2nd hand corrected version (cont.)  
-final edited mss.

1981

1982-83

Box 15

FAMILY HONOR

-ts of excerpts

-final galleys

1983

1983

Box 16

BECOMING A BETTER READER AND WRITER

-rough draft

-draft, corrected

-draft, corrected for typist

-ts, reading list

-ts with corr. & 2 tls

-ts carbon

-early text drafts

-galleys

-proofs

1975?

1975

1976

1976

1977

Box 17

TRIAL BY WATER

-notes

-research files

1992

1992

Box 18

TRIAL BY WATER

-1st draft "Morp Night"

-"Bottleneck Lake"

-ts of excerpts

-draft

1986?

1989?

1988-89

- "Morp Night" & "Bottleneck Lake" drafts		1986-87
- "Morp Night" draft	1987	
- "Bottleneck Lake" draft		1986
- draft		
- "Bottleneck Lake" draft		1989

Box 19

TRIAL BY WATER

- "Bottleneck Lake" draft		1990
- draft with corr. sheets		1992
- galley proofs - readers'		1992
- galley proofs - author		1993
- final repro dupes		1993
- page proofs		1993

Box 20

TRIAL BY WATER

- galley proofs - 2nd pass		1993
- galley proofs		1993
- final page proofs		1993

PIECES FROM A SMALL BOMB

- drafts	1973	
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Box 21

A COUPLE OF COPS

- rough drafts and notes		1991-92
- working draft		1993
- research files		
- ts		1993

Box 22

GOLD

- research files		1981
- rough drafts	1981-83	

Box 23

GOLD

-rough drafts	1983-84
-rough drafts	1982-83
-drafts	1983-84

Box 24

GOLD

-draft	1983-84
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RETURN IN SEPTEMBER

-ts	1964?
-cts	
-2nd cts	

GRIEVANCE

-drafts 1-4	1971
-draft 4 carbon	1971

Unpublished stories

-notes	1954-65
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Box 25

Short Stories

-notes	
-drafts	1985-86
-mss, copies, submission records	1986-87

Dance / Kennedy stories

-notes, drafts	1975
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Box 26

Correspondence

-letters and cards	ca.1950-70
-rejections	ca.1950-70
-general	
-1961-66	
-1966-68	
-1969-70, with carbons	
-1971-73	

Box 27

Correspondence  
-general  
    -1950's  
    -1960's  
    -1970's  
-publishers'  
    -1960's

### Box 28

Correspondence  
-business  
    -1960's  
-submission records  
    -1960's  
-business - agent  
    -1970

### Box 29

Correspondence	
-agent	1975-90
-Doubleday	1980-86
-Associated Writing Programs	1985-87
-general business	1975-90
-publications record	1972-82
-Atheneum	1970-72
Reviews	1969-73
Articles	
-prison	1971
Short Story	
-"War Games"	
-ts	
Plays	
-comedy play	
-notes	
-"Jack Be Nimble"	ca. 1968
-working draft	
-playscript	
Story Ideas	
-notes	

Poems		
-drafts		1956-62
-early drafts		1948-66
Novels		
- "Shine"		
-early draft		ca. 1950's
Early drafts of stories etc.		1940's-50's

Box 30

Early drafts of stories etc. (cont.)		1940's-50's
Early drafts of poems		ca. 1950-62
Early drafts of stories etc.		ca. 1960's
Short Story		
- "A Thousand Pairs Of Socks"		
-ts		ca. 1972
-drafts	1971	

Box 31

SUMMER		
-original draft		ca. 1952
THE STRAIGHT WAY, THE DARK WOOD		
-cts - draft		ca. 1950's
-ts - draft, corr.		ca. 1950's

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Box 1

TRIAL BY WATER	
-rough drafts 1986-92 (unsorted)	



Box 2

TRIAL BY WATER

- rough drafts 1986-92(cont.)
- early rough drafts 1986-87?

Box 3

TRIAL BY WATER

- full draft Feb./ Mar. 1992
- ts - "Morp Night" with pencil corr.
- ts - "Bottleneck Lake" with pen corr.
- ts - "Untitled Novel"
- 1st draft 1993

Box 4

A COUPLE OF COPS

- galley proofs
- research files

Box 5

A COUPLE OF COPS

- research files (cont.)
- discard/ rough notes to end of 1994
- drafts incl. those read and annotated by Al Della Penna and John Cuomo
- police drawings of Big Barry murder scene

Box 6

A COUPLE OF COPS

- master draft
- master galleys
- original/ photocopy clips of Al Della Penna/ John Cuomo
- reviews
- mss- 9/ 20/ 93
- "crime" news clips used in "Day 2 at the Crime Lab" chapter

Three short stories

- photocopies of magazine publication

Correspondence

- with various magazines
- "Becoming a Better Reader" - permissions & research files

Richard Yates article

- mss

LA STORIA review

- mss

JACK BE NIMBLE

- playscript - final version

Box 7

A COUPLE OF COPS

-audio cassettes - originals and copies of all tapes of interviews with Al Della Penna, John Cuomo and others used for book

Ann Grief Interview [for her Ph.D dissertation]

-cassettes

Kentucky Interview [Univ. FM Radio]

-cassette

WGBH interview/ poetry reading Boston Natl Pub Radio interview

-reel-to reel tape

Box 8

FAMILY HONOR (Sirola)

-drafts

-Flint article drafts

Box 9

PIECESFROM A SMALL BOMB

-reviews

-revised final draft (photocopy) - 1975

Correspondence

-reviews

-Doubleday 1975-77

-Doug Anderson trial, imprisonment, etc.

-Associated Writing Programs

-Becoming a Better Reader/ Writer

-General - 1976-80

-1981-83

Box 10

Correspondence

-General -1983-92

Box 11

GOLD\ TRIAL BY WATER

-Notes [1984-1989 approx.]

GOLD OF EXILE by John Peter

-Correspondence

-TSwith corr.