

University of Victoria Special Collections

Partridge, C. J.

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Title

Colin John Partridge fonds

Dates

1958-2000

Extent

30 cm of textual records
1 microfilm reel

Biographical Sketch

Colin John Partridge, now retired, was born in England in 1935. He obtained a B.A. and a Ph.D. from the University of Nottingham and taught at the City of Coventry School (1959-1961) and as an assistant lecturer at the University of Manchester (1963) before being promoted to lecturer at Manchester. He came to Canada in 1968 and was appointed assistant professor in the U. Vic. Dept. of English on 1 July of that year. Professor Partridge's publications include *Thunderbird* (1979), *Modern American Fiction* (1979), *Will Warburton* (1981), *The Making of New Cultures: A Literary Perspective* (1982), and *Minor American Fiction, 1920-1940: A Survey and an Introduction* (1984), *Civil Disturbances* (2000).

Scope and Content

The fonds consists of material relating to the production of his books, including correspondence, drafts and proofs. The fonds include Partridge's children's novel *Thunderbird* (1979), campus centred satirical short stories: *Civil Disturbances* (2000) and Partridge's edition of the novel *Will Warburton* (1981), by George Gissing. There are also two letters from Hugh MacDiarmid (1958), and lecture notes from Dorothy Livesay.

Finding Aids

Inventory available with series level control.

Title Source

Title based on the contents of the fonds.

PARTRIDGE, COLIN JOHN

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Partridge, Colin John, b. 1935

Acc No: 1982-032

1 Box

Box 1:

- 1.1 Correspondence with Harvester Press and the New York Public Library, 1978-1979.
- 1.2 Photocopied pages from books by George Gissing: *Demos*, introduction and notes by Pierre Coustillas (1972); *Our Friend the Charlatan*, introduction and notes by Pierre Coustillas [n.d.]. Both Harvester editions.
- 1.3 1 microfilm from the New York Public Library of ms. of Will Warburton.

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1 Box

Thunderbird, [children's novel] (Catalyst Press, Victoria B.C., 1979).

- 1.1 Correspondence
- 1.2 Thunderbird (first notes).
- 1.3 Thunderbird (draft).
- 1.4 Thunderbird (draft).
- 1.5 Thunderbird (galley proof 1).
- 1.6 Thunderbird (galley proof 2).

Civil Disturbances: Ten Short Stories from British Columbia (Catalyst Press, Victoria B.C., 2000)

- 1.7 Civil Disturbances (draft).a
- 1.8 Civil Disturbances (draft).
- 1.9 Civil Disturbances (draft).
- 1.10 Civil Disturbances (draft).
- 1.11 Civil Disturbances (page proof).
- 1.12 Dorothy Livesay lecture notes.
- 1.13 Hugh MacDiarmid (2 hrs to C. J. Partridge, 1958).
- 1.14 Miscellaneous.

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- Box 1 Correspondence - with Barry Baldwin 1998-2001
-enclosures - photocopies of BB articles etc
- 1.1 CJP introductory essay on BB correspondence
-tss, signed 2 p. w/ note attached
- 1.2 tls in 15 Jun 98 envelope
encl. clipping from U of Calgary Gazette, July 14, 1997 re BB's election to the Royal Society of Canada
tlc out 19 Jul 98
encl. photocopies: "The Latin & Greek Poems of Samuel Johnson" Text, Translation & Commentary by Barry Baldwin (cover & T of C) plus 2 reviews
tls in 28 Jul 98 envelope
encl. photocopies of BB articles/reviews:
"Hicks, Haecs, Hocs: Diary of a Good Bishop" (New Blackfriars, Jun 98)
review of "Oxford Knot" by Veronica Stallwood (Mystery Review, Summer 98)
"Re-Running Marathon" (History Today, May 98)
tlc out 9 Sept 98
tls in 16 Sept 98 envelope
tlc out 03 Dec 98
tls in 07 Dec 98 envelope
encl. photocopy of BB article "Jokes Old and New" (Classical Outlook, Spr 92)
- 1.3 tlc out 01 Feb 99
tls in 09 Feb 99 clipping re John Cleese pasted on 2nd page
encl. order forms for BB books on Latin/Greek subjects,
photocopies of BB stories "Do You Take This Man?" (Ellery Queen's Mystery Magazine, Dec 98), "Just Another Day" (Jewish Affairs, Spring 98)
tlc out 29 Mar 99
encl. tss of 2 reviews (Bryn Mawr Classical Review, 1996, 1997), photocopies of BB lecture notice, BB story "Mary's Boy Child" (Literary Network), BB review of Jane Adams "Fade to Grey" (Mystery Review, Wint 99),
BB story "A Widow of Opportunity" (Tucumcari Literary Review, Sept 96), review of Colleen McCullough "The First Man in Rome" (Book World, Mar 91)
tls in 06 Apr 99 envelope
encl. photocopies of BB story "Making the Grade" (Hellas, vol. 8 no. 1), BB review of T.C. Van Adler "St. Agatha's Breast" (Mystery Review, Summer 99)
tlc out 10 May 99
tls in 17 May 99 envelope
tlc out 30 Jun 99

tls in 12 Jul 99 envelope
encl. photocopies of BB story "A Bit of a Treat" (Alfred Hitchcock's Mystery Magazine, Sept 99), BB review of Marilyn Todd "Wolf Whistle" (Mystery Review), BB award certificate, BB article "The Ancient World of Crime: Part I" (Mystery Review, Summer 99), BB article "Rotten at the Core" (Morning Star, May 27/99)

tlc out 02 Sept 99

tls in 13 Sept 99 envelope
encl. photocopies of BB articles "Doom and Gloom" (Morning Star, Aug 19/99), "Intriguing ancestor of modern fantasy" (Morning Star), "Top Marx for one capital scholar" (Morning Star, July 28/99)

tlc out 26 Oct 99

tls in 01 Nov 99 envelope
encl. photocopies of BB articles "Anglo Quacksons" (Stitches, Sept 99), "Tabloid of the ancient world" (Morning Star?), "Heat of the Moment" (Storyteller, Fall 99), "Philosophers of the rank and file" (Morning Star, Oct 1/99) tlc out 21 Nov 99

tls in 26 Nov 99 envelope
encl. photocopies of BB article "The Ancient World of Crime: Part II", BB story "The Family Plot", BB review of Thomas Swan "The Final Fabergé" (Mystery Review, Fall 99), BB article "Better off with the NHS" (Morning Star, Oct 28/99)

1.4 tlc out 19 Jan 00

tls in 31 Jan 00 envelope
encl. photocopies of BB Morning Star articles "A clock strikes thirteen times" (Dec 8/99), "What's on the cards for the Blair progeny", "Did porridge win the Punic wars", "Make mine a mead please", BB story "Purrfect Crime", review of Mary Reed & Eric Mayer "One For Sorrow" and article "The Ancient World of Crime – Part III" (Mystery Review, Winter 2000)

tlc out 14 Feb 00

tls in 21 Feb 00 envelope
encl. photocopies of BB article "As the Word Turns" (Verbatim, Winter 2000), BB letter to the editor "Some old pricks" (Fortean Times, Dec 99), BB article -[response to Jerry Amernic's "A Writer's Life" (TWUC, Dec 99), photocopies of BB Morning Star articles "A clock strikes thirteen times" (Dec 8/99), "What's on the cards for the Blair progeny", "Did porridge win the Punic wars", "Make mine a mead please", "A load of bold cobblers"

tlc out 01 May 00

tls in 04 May 00 envelope
encl. photocopies of BB article "Classical Swearing: A Vade Mecum" (Verbatim, Spring 2000), BB story "Not Wholly Holy" and review of Domenic Stansberry novel (Mystery Review?), article re BB (Johnson Society journal?), BB articles "Autophagy & Self-Combustion" (Fortean Times, Apr? 2000), "Ancient Ancients" (Fortean Times, May 2000), "I want to see some history" (Morning Star, April 8/2000)

tlc out 09 Jun 00 envelope

tls in 13 Jun 00 envelope
encl. photocopies of BB article "The Bird Man of Hampshire" (Hellas, Spring/Summer 94), 2 BB reviews in Bryn Mawr Classical Review of Michael Barber "The Captain: The Life and Times of Simon Raven" (1997) and Stoddard Martin ed. "Colin Haycroft" (1996), BB review of translation (abridged version) from French of Ismail Kadare "Albanian Spring: the Anatomy of Tyranny" (Friends of Albania Newsletter, 1996), plus 2 copies of BB original review of French and Albanian editions (Intelligence and National Security, April 1992), off-prints of BB article "One for Falco: The Tribune and His Lady" (Acta Classica, 1999) and reviews of Bernard Tucker ed. "The Poetry of Laetitia Pilkington and Constantia Grierson" (International Journal of the Classical Tradition, Spring 1999), BB articles "Antonius Diogenes and Lucian" and "Cyril Connolly and Petronius" (Petronian Society Newsletter, April 2000), plus Morning Star articles "A political circus – then and now" (April 27, 2000), "I want to see some history" and "Let's talk about sex baby", BB article "Livy: Lost and Found" (Protean Times, ? 2000), off-print of BB article "The Mysterious Letter 'M' in Johnson's Diaries" (Age of Johnson, 1994)
h note 21 Jul 00 envelope
Verbatim (Summer 2000) sent by BB (no articles)
tlc (signed) 29 Dec 00

- 1.5
- tls in 04 Jan 01 envelope
encl. photocopies of BB articles "Brief lives – Eternal Pleasures" (Daedalus Newsletter, Jan? 2001), "Physician heal thyself!" (In Stitches, Oct 2000), "Some Writers' Blocks" (TWUC, Oct/Nov 2000), "Net Losses" (TWUC), BB review of Giles Blunt "Forty Words for Sorrow", story "Widow's Weeds", and article "Medieval Crime in Byzantium and England –Part I" (Mystery Review, Winter 2001), BB articles "What did He look like", "Here come the commies" (Morning Star), "A short innings" (Morning Star), BB articles (Fortean Times) "Classical Killers", "Ancient Aerial Warfare", and "Bird Brains"
tlc out 26 Mar 01
tls in 02 Apr 01 envelope
encl. photocopies of BB articles "Samuel Johnson and Lincolnshire" (New Rambler, 1999-2000), "Medieval Crime in Byzantium and England, Part II" (Mystery Review, Spring 2001), "It's all about the classics" (Morning Star), "Canadian Market Farces" (TWUC), "Graeco-Roman Ghosts" (Protean Times, Mar 2001), "Amazing Ancient Aquatics" (Protean Times, Feb 2001), "Statue, Weap For Me" (Protean Times, Apr 2001), plus from Mystery Review, Spring 2001, BB story "The Pipes Are Calling", review of Ross King "Ex-Libris"
tlc out 20 May 01

tls in 28 May 01
encl. clipping BB article "Don't mess with online emperor" (Morning Star), photocopies of BB articles "As the Word Turns" (Verbatim), "Samuel Johnson and Lincolnshire" (New Rambler), "Blood-Suckers" (Protean Times, June 2001), "Fortean From the Ancient World" (Protean Times, May 2001), BB story "Take

Three” (Shots, Winter 2000), “Notes on the Tacitean Petronius (Annals 16-18-20)”
(Petronian Society Newsletter, Apr 2001)

1.6-10 Internet Discussions

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1.11-12 Internet Discussions

Box 1

Manuscripts/Ephemera

Manuscripts

- 1.1-2 “Tamango: Best Short Fiction of Prosper Mérimée” (2002) [translations]
tss, corr. [4], 257 p.
Contents:
 ‘Mateo Falcone’
 ‘The Storming of the Redoubt’
 ‘Tamango’
 ‘The Story of Rondino’
 ‘The Etruscan Vase’
 ‘The Game of Backgammon’
 ‘The Venus of Ille’
 ‘Arsène Guillot’
 ‘Carmen’
 ‘Father Aubain’
plus Henry James on Prosper Mérimée
 Walter Pater “
 Arthur Symons “
and an Afterword [by the translator]
- 1.3 “Vancouver” (2004) [film outline]
tss [2], 25, 3 p.
- 1.4 “A Cottage in Wales” (2006) [film script]
tss [3], 109 p. plus 1 p. mss
- 1.5-7 “Orizontale” (2007-2010) [play]
tss drafts 1st (2007) 2, 4-111 p.
2nd [2], 35, 32, 37 p.
final (2010) [3], 148 p
- 1.8-10 “Carmilla” (2002-2010) [play]
tss drafts 1st 75 p. tss, corr
2nd 2-75 p. “
3rd “ “
final (2010) [2], 119 p.
- 1.11-12 “Bronson” (2005-2007?) [play]
tss drafts 1st (2005) [2], 54 p. tss, corr
 formerly titled Satan’s Angel
 ? (2007) 3-138 p.
 formerly titled Satan’s Angel
plus tls from CJP to Toshik Bukowieki & tls reply
final [4], 134 p.

1.13 “Laforce” (2009?) [film outline]
tss draft final (2009?) 38 p.

1.14-19 “The Nursery” (2006-2007) [tv series scripts (6 episodes)]
tss, final

episode 1 [8], 95 p.
episode 2 [4], 98 p.
episode 3 [2], 98 p.
episode 4 [2], 98 p.
episode 5 [1], 99 p.
episode 6 [2], 99 p.

plus 1 p. mss, and h notes

1.20 “The Smouldering Bush: Some Reflections On Identity”
tss, corr (photocopy) 15 p.
published in “Planet” (Welsh magazine) 1975?
plus hls from Ned Thomas (Planet) and hls from V.L. Griffiths re article

Ephemera

1.21 Memorandum (copy) to Members of the English Department
from John Peter 1976
re David Jeffrey’s newspaper article on “Cultural Integrity”

Manuscripts

o/s/ envelope Cover designs
“Moonshine Sketches of a Small Campus” (2001)
-2 hand-coloured designs with tissue overlays
“The Civil Disturbances” (2000)
-printed design with red plastic overlay

Internet Discussions

-file at end of 2011-038 box