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## **Collection Summary**

**Repository:** Archives and Special Collections Library, Vassar College Libraries

**Creator:** Benét Family

Title: Benét Family Papers

**Dates:** 1803-1970

Quantity: 21 cubic feet (32 boxes)

Correspondence, manuscripts, clippings, journals, business and legal documents and photographic

prints relating the Benét Family's personal, professional, and creative activity. A significant

Abstract: volume of the collection contains correspondence between family members, including letters to

and from Stephen Vincent Benét and William Rose Benét. The collection includes manuscript drafts by Laura Benét, as well as some ephemera and printed material collected by the family.

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#### **Historical Note**

Laura, William Rose, and Stephen Vincent Benét were the children of James Walker Benét and Frances Neill Rose. James Walker Benét was a colonel in the U.S. Army, following in the footsteps of his father, the first Stephen Vincent Benét, a brigadier general. Both father and son managed ordnance, and because of this, Laura, William and Stephen spent much of their early childhood living at a series of arsenals: Fort Hamilton on the shores of the New York Harbor, the Springfield Armory in Massachusetts, the Frankfort Arsenal near Philadelphia, the Watervliet Arsenal near Albany, and finally the Benicia Arsenal in California. They also spent periods with Colonel Benét's grandparents in Washington, D.C., and lived for several years in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, and Buffalo, New York.

It was while the family was at the Watervliet Arsenal, that the boys were sent to Albany Academy (then a military school), and Laura attended the Emma Willard School in Troy. Laura went to Vassar College to continue her education, and William went to Yale. Stephen, who was much younger, attended Hitchcock Academy in California while his father was stationed in Benicia, then followed his brother to Yale.

Laura Benét employed herself as a social worker, newspaper editor, poet and author. She worked as a settlement worker at the Spring Street Settlement in New York City, 1915-1917; as a placement worker at the Children's Aid Society, New York City; a sanitary inspector for the American Red Cross, Augusta, Georgia, 1917-1919; a secretary and assistant book page editor at the New York Evening Post; an editor at the New York Sun; as a book review editor's assistant and book review substitute at the New York Times; and as a free-lance writer from 1930 until her death. She received and award from the National Poetry Center in 1936, and an honorary degree from Moravian College in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania in 1967.

William Rose Benét was an author and poet as well. He wrote for *Century Magazine*, the *Saturday Review of Literature*, and published several books of poems, and one novel. He was posthumously awarded the Pulitzer Prize for *The Dust Which is God*, an autobiographical verse narrative. He was married four times. He had three children with Teresa Thompson (sister to the novelist Kathleen Thompson Norris), who died during the influenza pandemic in 1919, just seven years after they were married. He had another child with the poet Elinor Wylie. They were married from 1923 until her death in 1928. His third marriage was to Lora Baxter (1932-1937), and his last marriage was to Marjorie Flack, an author and illustrator of children's books. Their marriage lasted from 1941 to his death in 1950.

Stephen Vincent Benét was also an author and poet. He too won a Pulitzer Prize, in 1929, for one of his most noted poems, "John Brown's Body." He may be best known, however, for his short story, "The Devil and Daniel Webster." Stephen married Rosemary Carr, a reporter in Paris for the *Chicago Tribune*, in 1921, and had three children. He had severe cases of scarlet fever and typhoid as a child, and suffered from arthritis as an adult; he died in 1943 of a heart attack at the age of 44.

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## **Family Nicknames**

1827-1895	Stephen Vincent Benét — Grandpapa
1831-1916	Mary Lee Rose — Ammah
1833-1900	Laura Amanda Walker Benét — Grandmama, Lolly
1857-1928	James Walker Benét — Jack
1860-1940	Frances Neill Rose Benét — Fan, Fanny
1863-1948	Laurence Vincent Benét — Uncle Larry
1881-1911	Teresa Thompson Benét — Tee
1884-1979	Laura Benét — Tissy
1886-1950	William Rose Benét — Willie
1898-1943	Stephen Vincent Benét — Tibbie
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# **Scope and Content Note**

The collection includes extensive family correspondence, including letters to and from Laura Benét's brothers Stephen Vincent and William Rose. Correspondence of note includes a letter to Laura Benét from Edna St. Vincent Millay, letters from Rachel Field and Lola Ridge, and two letters from Robert Frost, to William Rose Benét. Eight folders contain correspondence from novelist Kathleen Thompson Norris to her sister Teresa Thompson Benét, wife of William Rose Benét. Some correspondence to Laura Benét includes editorial commentary from Stephen Vincent Benét (SEE manuscripts: All for a Silver Shoe, and Inheritors of the Earth).

A significant volume of the collection's correspondence is from Laura to her mother Frances Rose Benét and father, Colonel James Walker Benét, written during her years at Vassar (1904 – 1907). Many of the letters note the name of the dormitory in which she lived at the time of writing. Letters in the collection include extensive correspondence between Laura and her mother, Frances Rose, as well as correspondence between Frances Rose and her mother Mary Lee Rose.

Photographic prints include a scrapbook (1907) of Benicia Arsenal (California), home of Frances and James Walker Benét during the years Laura completed studies at Vassar, and a small collection of photographic prints taken at Slabsides, the New York residence of American naturalist and nature essayist, John Burroughs.

Three cubic feet contain manuscript drafts by Laura Benét, one of which holds primarily fragments of writings, partial drafts and notations.

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## Arrangement

The collection is intellectually arranged roughly by family generation. Top

#### **Access and Use**

#### Access

This collection is open for research according to the <u>regulations of the Vassar College Archives and Special Collections Library</u> without any additional restrictions.

#### **Restrictions on Use**

Permission to quote (publish) from unpublished or previously published material must be obtained as described in the <u>regulations of the Vassar College Archives and Special Collections Library.</u>

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#### **Related Material**

#### **Related Materials**

• Many of Laura Benét's books are available in the Vassar Alumnae/i Collection. Of particular note for researchers interested in the family is a book about her childhood: When William Rose, Stephen Vincent, and I Were Young.

#### **Separated Materials**

• A small collection of books owned by Laura Benét was removed from the papers and added to Vassar's rare book collection.

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# **Subject Headings**

#### Names:

- Barker, Elsa, 1869-1954
- Benét, Frances Neill Rose, 1860-1940
- Benét, James Walker, 1857-1928
- Benét, James, 1914-
- Benét, Laura
- Benét, Laurence Vincent, 1863-1948
- Benét, S. V. (Stephen Vincent), 1827-1895
- Benét, Stephen Vincent, 1898-1943
- Benét, William Rose, 1886-1950
- Burroughs, John, 1837-1921
- Field, Rachel, 1894-1942
- Frost, Robert, 1874-1963

- Goethals, George W. (George Washington), 1858-1928
- Millay, Edna St. Vincent, 1892-1950
- Norris, Kathleen Thompson, 1880-1966
- Ridge, Lola, 1873-1941
- Taylor, Prentiss, 1907-1991

## **Organizations:**

- Vassar College--Students
- Yale University

#### **Subjects:**

- Arsenals--United States--History
- Authors, American--20th century--Family relationships
- Poets, American

#### **Places:**

• Benicia (Calif.)

## **Document Types:**

- Clippings
- Correspondence
- Diaries
- Journals
- Manuscripts
- Photographs

#### **VCL Categories:**

- Family
- Literature and Writing
- Vassar College

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## **Encoding Information**

Encoded by Laura Streett, April 2016. Updated by Emma Gronbeck, August 2024.

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## **Administrative Information**

#### **Preferred Citation**

Benét Family Papers, Archives and Special Collections Library, Vassar College Libraries.

#### **Processing Information**

Processed by Janine St. Germain, 2015.

#### **Acquisition Information**

First accession was donated by Patricia and Donald Kennelly in 1991. There was another accession from the Kennellys in 2008.

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#### **Series List**

#### Series I. Laura Benét, 1873-1970

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## Series II. William Rose Benét, 1884-1936

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Correspondence to and from Teresa Thompson Benét

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#### Series III. Stephen Vincent Benét, 1912-1940s

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#### Series IV. Parents of Laura, William, and Stephen, 1810-1942

James Walker Benét

Frances Neill Rose Benét

#### Series V. Grandparents of Laura, William, and Stephen, 1872-1895

Stephen Vincent Benét, Sr., Laura Walker Benét, and (Great Uncle) Laurence Benét.

## Series VI. Children of William and Stephen, 1920s-1930s

Wiliam Rose and Teresa Thompson Benét's Children: Frances Rosemary Benét, James Walker Benét, Jr., and

Kathleen Anne Benét.

Stephen Vincent and Rosemary Carr Benét's Children: Stephanie and Thomas Benét.

## Series VII. Miscellaneous Benét Family Material, 1803-1969

Unidentified and miscellaneous family items

## **Series VIII.** Photographic Prints, 1882-1939

Portraits and snapshots of people, images of family homes, and some unidentified landscapes.

# **Container List**

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#### **Correspondence - Incoming**

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Folder 3.6	Bacon, Leonard, 1926-1966
Folder 3.7	Council for Democracy, 1942
Folder 3.9	Davies, Caro, includes poem "Red Moon," 1967-1969
Folder 3.10	Davies, Mary Carolyn, undated
Folder 3.8	Fechet, d'Alary, 1933
Folder 3.11	Feeney, Leonard, 1940
Folder 3.12	Field, Rachel, 1932-1940
Folder 3.13	Gousenberg, Abraham, November, 1942
Folder 3.14	Johnson, Edith Warner, 1959
Folder 3.15	Johnson, Edith Warner, including poems and notations, undated
Folder 3.16	Lowell, Amy, January, 1916
Folder 3.17	Millay, Edna St. Vincent, includes verse of "The Splendor of Man," undated
Folder 3.18	Miller, Ben, 1928-1933
Folder 3.19	Moffat, Marjorie, 1943
Folder 3.20	Pike, Violet, 1906
Folder 3.21	Ridge, Lola, 1928-1940
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Folder 3.23	Widdemer, Margaret, 1932 Apr
Folder 4.1	Condolence letters, 1943
Folder 4.2	Christmas cards, notecards, 1930s-1950s
Folders 4.3- 4.14	General, undated
Folder 4.15	General, 1892-1899
Folders 4.16- 4.20	General, 1904-1909

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Folder 4.21	General, 1911-1919
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Folders 4.29- 4.35	General, 1940-1949
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## **Correspondence - Incoming, from family members**

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Folder 5.26	from Benét, William Rose, 1873-1904
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Folder 5.29	from miscellaneous nephews, nieces, in-laws, 1929-1961
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## **Correspondence - Outgoing**

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Folder 7.20	to Rose, Agnes M., 1904-1917
Folder 7.21	to misc. family members, 1905-1936

## Financial and Legal Material

Folder 1.1	Basket For A Fair, The Poetry Review, 1935 May
Folder 1.2–1.3	Correspondence, World Center of Women's Archives, Poetry Society of America, The Author's Guild, 1895-1943
Folders 1.4-1.5	Correspondence, Doubleday, Doran & Co., 1929-1937
Folder 1.6	New York Times, book review invoices, 1930
Folder 3.1	Association for Arts in Childhood, Schroeder Foundation, women's War Work Abroad, 1918-1944
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Folders 1.7- 1.10	Calendars, journals, 1923-1965
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Folder 3.24	Certificate, air warden, 1942
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Folder 1.23	Ephemera, includes Academy of American Poets contest winner cards, 1969
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	Folder 8.68	The Foresters (MS, TS)
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