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**THE PANTHEON PAPERS
1953-1954
(Bulk Dates: 1953-1954)**

Acq.: 01/1a

Related Wade Author(s): DLS

Future Additions Expected: No

Restrictions: Copies or publication of unpublished materials by Dorothy L. Sayers require permissions from the Sayers Literary Executor.

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Abstract

This archive contains correspondence and drafts relating to *The Pantheon Papers* by Dorothy L. Sayers, a series of satirical sketches on invented saints and celebrations of secular society.

Background Information

The Pantheon Papers consist of satirical sketches on invented saints and celebrations of secular society. They appeared in issues of *Punch* magazine and well-received by many, but criticized by some who felt that Sayers was taking liberties with the solemnity of the church through her comical renditions.

The material in this archive was acquired at auction from Sotheby's in London by the Wade Center in 2000. The original Sotheby's lot included in this archive is: Lot 292, v.

Scope and Contents Note

This archive contains correspondence and drafts relating to *The Pantheon Papers* by Dorothy L. Sayers.

Related Materials

Researchers interested in this archive may also wish to consult the following resources in the Wade Center holdings:

Sayers, Dorothy L. *Christian Letters to a Post-Christian World*. Roderick Jellema, ed. Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans, 1969. (excerpts of the Pantheon Papers)

Sayers, Dorothy L. "Pantheon Papers: The Cosmic Synthesis." *Punch* 226 (2 November 1953): 17-19. AF-3782

Sayers, Dorothy L. "More Pantheon Papers." *Punch* 226 (January 6, 1954): 60. AF-3783

Sayers, Dorothy L. "More Pantheon Papers: The Cosmic Synthesis." *Punch* 226 n.5912 (January 13, 1954): 84. AF-3784

See also the Religious Illustrated Cards and Booklets archive, folder 1.

Other materials in the Wade Center holdings may relate to the topics in this archive. See the archivist for further research assistance.

CONTENTS LISTING

<u>Folder</u>	<u>Description of Contents</u>
1	Correspondence between DLS and Uvedale Lambert. Folder also contains a 3pp. listing by Sayers of correspondence dates and subjects which is an incomplete, but accurate listing of the contents of folders 1-3 of this archive. May 17, 1953-January 27, 1954, 75pp.
2	Correspondence between DLS and Raymond Raynes, C.R., and Malcolm Muggeridge. June 17, 1953-February 1, 1954, 71pp.
3	Fan mail correspondence to and from DLS, and manuscript drafts of the Pantheon Papers. Also includes a published excerpt of the Pantheon Papers from Punch, November 2, 1953. 1953-March 16, 1954, 48pp.
4	Drafts of the Pantheon Papers. n.d., 60pp.
5	Drafts of the Pantheon Papers. Includes some rough sketches and artwork by Sayers. 1953-1954, 83pp.