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Grand Rapids Authors' Night Collection

Collection # 086

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Abstract

The Grand Rapids Authors' Night Collection consists of biographic, bibliographic and photographic data on living (in 1934-1935) authors whose works were in the Grand Rapids Public Library, Grand Rapids, Michigan. Criteria for inclusion was that the author had to have resided in Grand Rapids or the work had to take place in or be about Grand Rapids. The source of the materials included in this collection is unknown, and documents only a small segment of Grand Rapids authors.

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Box Summary

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History

The material was collected and assembled by unknown people and deposited in the Grand Rapids Public Library. Presumably Samuel H. Ranck, City Librarian at the time, was centrally involved but no records remain to confirm this. The authors night was held 16 November 1934, with a supplementary list produced 20 February 1935.

Scope and Content

Consists of biographic, bibliographic and photographic data on living (in 1934-35) authors whose original material was in the Grand Rapids (Mich.) Public Library. Criteria for inclusion was the author had to have resided in Grand Rapids or the work had to take place in or be about Grand Rapids. Grand Rapids Public Library manuscript collection #53, the Maurice La Claire Portraits also contain images of Grand Rapids authors.

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