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# Clark Mixon Emery papers

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## Summary information

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## Administrative history / Biographical sketch

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### Note

Clark Mixon Emery was born in 1909 in Marysville, California. Receiving his PhD in literature, Clark taught at Oregon State, University of Indiana, and the University of Miami. Emery is a renowned Ezra Pound scholar, known for his 1958 monograph *Ideas Into Action; A Study of Pound's Cantos*.

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## Scope and content

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The Clark Mixon Emery Papers consists of materials regarding the 20th century modernist expatriate American poet Ezra Pound (1885-1972).

A total of 53 letters and postcards by Ezra Pound addressed mostly to Emery written from September 4th, 1951 to August 1st, 1959 are held in this collection, predominantly written during Pound's stay in the St. Elizabeth Hospital where he was treated for mental illness until 1958. Some letters by his wife Dorothy are included as well. Most of the letters are typed, and about half are signed. Many of the letters concern Emery's work on his 1958 monograph *Ideas Into Action; A Study of Pound's Cantos*. In others Pound writes about his complacency in the hospital and his eagerness to depart, and discusses the work of

Emery's student Ronald Perry. In addition to the letters the envelopes are preserved as well. Photocopies of the letters and envelopes are included in the collection.

Other correspondence held in the collection concerns Ezra Pound and his Cantos. These include letters from Pound's daughter, Mary de Rachewitz, to Emery; letters from Sheri Martinelli and Ronald Perry, also 20th century American poets, to Emery; a letter from Walton Brooks McDaniel, former teacher and friend of Pound, to Archie McNeal, former university librarian of the University of Miami Libraries, regarding Emery's work on Pound; and photocopies of other letters by Pound not addressed to Emery. Some of Ronald Perry's poetry, and two photographs of Sherri Martinelli's paintings of Ezra Pound, are included as well.

The other materials in the collection are as follows: essays by and about Pound from the 1950s; transcripts of broadcasts by Pound from December 7, 1941 to June 28, 1942; *The Analyst*, "A Guide to Ezra's Cantos"; a January 1948 issue of "Four Pages," regarding Pound's poetry; an "Ezra Pound for President" pamphlet; *The Pound* newsletter #1-#10 from January 1954 to April 1956; *Strike* periodical #1-3, #5-6, #8-10 from June 1955 to June 1956; *Amagogic & Paideuminic Review* #5-6 and an October 1959 issue; a 1952 typescript titled "Die Pisaner Gesänge" by Rainer M. Gerhardt; and other periodicals, newspapers, and clippings.

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## Notes

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### Title notes

### Arrangement

In box 1, the folders containing correspondence from Ezra Pound are chronologically arranged.

In the inventory list, the names and descriptions of the folders for Pound's correspondence match the original titles by Clark Mixon Emery. Hence, some are written in first-person, for example: "Pound declines to read a thesis about him by a former student of mine [Clarke Emery] - R. Landini, I think."

### Restrictions on access

This collection is open for research.

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### Related material

See also Clark Mixon Emery's 1958 monograph *Ideas Into Action; A Study of Pound's Cantos*. The University of Miami Libraries has four holdings under the call number PS3531.O82 C285.

See also the Ronald Perry Poetry Collection (ASM0631).

The Pound letters sent to Emery were one of the items highlighted as one of the University of Miami's treasures in an online exhibit titled "Treasures of South Florida Libraries: A Celebration of Rare & Unique Materials" (linked below)

Information about related materials is available at <http://proust.library.miami.edu/findingaids/index.php?p=collections/controlcard&id=875>

## Other notes

- **Publication status:** Published
- **Description identifier:** ArchonInternalCollectionID:599

## Access points

- Martinelli, Sheri -- Correspondence (subject)
- McDaniel, Walton Brooks, b. 1871 (subject)
- Perry, Ronald, 1932- (subject)
- Pound, Ezra, 1885-1972 -- Cantos. (subject)
- Pound, Ezra, 1885-1972 -- Correspondence (subject)
- Pound, Ezra, 1885-1972 -- Criticism and interpretation (subject)
- Pound, Ezra, 1885-1972 -- Mental health (subject)
- Clippings (documentary form)
- Envelopes (documentary form)
- Essays (documentary form)
- Letters (documentary form)
- Manuscripts (documentary form)
- Scores (documentary form)
- Pamphlets (documentary form)
- Photocopies (documentary form)
- Photographs (documentary form)
- Transcripts (documentary form)
- Typescripts (documentary form)
- Poetry (subject)
- Poets, American -- 20th century (subject)

## Series descriptions

Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
id1474	File - Correspondence with Ezra Pound	1951-1959		1
id1475	File - A. Listing of Pound letters by Clarke Emery - arranged by date of postmark			1 1
id1476	File - B. Pound letters: In circle (5 unsigned letters by Pound)			1 2
id1477	File - A letter to Ingeborg Kayko, a poet who visited Pound at my [Clark Emery] suggestion to show him her poems. Also a note to Clark Emery	September 4, 1951		1 3

id1478	File - A letter questioning why Ingeborg Kayko had committed suicide	September 14, 1951	1 4
id1479	File - Names of persons who could assist me [Clark Emery] in my explications	August 28, 1952	1 5
id1480	File - Thank you note on reception of a birthday present (a selection of Pound poems translated into Spanish & printed here by Pandamus press). Another note ater reading my [Clark Emery] explications	November 3, 1952	1 6
id1481	File - Thank you note for my [Clark Emery] sending a German work about Pound	January 13, 1953	1 7
id1482	File - Criticisms of my [Clark Emery] book about Pound	February 5, 1953	1 8
id1483	File - Same as February 5, 1953. Also note from his wife Dorothy Pound	February 6, 1953	1 9
id1484	File - A note bucking me [Clark Emery] up out of my low spirits	February 9, 1953.	1 10
id1485	File - More notations of errors in my [Clark Emery] manuscript	February 12, 1953	1 11
id1486	File - Same as February 12, also notes from Dorothy	February 13, 1953	1 12
id1487	File - Note from Dorothy Pound	February 18, 1953	1 13
id1488	File - Note suggesting sending manuscript to Hugh Kenner; also note from Dorothy Pound	February 22, 1953	1 14
id1489	File - Postcard: Note of thanks for sending a translation of a German work about Pound	February 25, 1953	1 15
id1490	File - No letter; an excerpt from an Italian newspaper	March, 1953	1 16
id1491	File - Thank you note from Dorothy Pound	March 10, 1953	1 17
id1492	File - Permission to quote from his works in my book	March 18, 1953	1 18
id1493	File - Postcard: permission to visit at the hospital	April 13, 1953	1 19
id1494	File - No letter; March 20, 1953 excerpt from Italian newspaper TEMPO, Roma, Italy titled "Ezra Pound uomo difficile"	March 18, 1953	1 20
id1495	File - Note on the rejection of my manuscript by a publisher	April 26, 1953	1 21
id1496	File - No letter; excerpt from an Italian newspaper	May 9, 1953	1 22
id1497	File - Thank you note for a translation I [Clark Emery] sent Pound	June 12, 1953	1 23
id1498	File - More about publisher	June 12, 1953	1 24
id1499	File - More about a translation of T. Zielinski's La Sybille which a student and I made. (See June 12 letter, translation was not very good)	June 25, 1953	1 25

id1500	File - More about a translation of T. Zielinski's La Sybille which a student and I made	July 2, 1953	1 26
id1501	File - No letter; an Idaho newspaper Idaho's Lampliter, Midsummer 1953	August 6, 1953	1 27
id1502	File - Answer to letter saying that freedom from radio news during Cuban holiday was pleasant	August 21, 1953	1 28
id1503	File - General - a good Blackstone reference	August 22, 1953	1 29
id1504	File - Note about a manifesto written by Pound demanding a more classical curriculum in universities	September 3, 1953	1 30
id1505	File - Answer to inquiry as to whether Pound, when Yeats's secretary, saw any supernatural manifestations. Note by Dorothy re: M. Bates, a translator of Gabrielle Mistral	September 17, 1953	1 31
id1506	File - General; note by Dorothy	October 11, 1953	1 32
id1507	File - General; allusion to Ronald Perry, a student some of whose poems I [Clark Emery] sent Pound	October 28, 1953	1 33
id1508	File - General; Johammed is a student named (Val Shena?)	November 19, 1953	1 34
id1509	File - Postcard; re: Perry's poems	December 4, 1953	1 35
id1510	File - A note about In Circuit (or In Circle)	December 9, 1953	1 36
id1511	File - General; answer to question whether broadcasts should be published	February 1, 1954	1 37
id1512	File - Letter from Pound re: "snippets." Also a February 21, 1954 newspaper clipping from Il Nazionale Roma titled "Un Grande Poeta: Ezra Pound"	April 18, 1954	1 38
id1513	File - Envelope empty	April 21, 1954	1 39
id1514	File - Postcard; Pound declines to read a thesis about him by a former student of mine - R. Landini, I think	June 11, 1954	1 40
id1515	File - Zielinski again	July 4, 1954	1 41
id1516	File - Suggested readings	August 4, 1954	1 42
id1517	File - Pound on action	August 22, 1954	1 43
id1518	File - References to Motive and Method in Pound's Cantos	October 18, 1954	1 44
id1519	File - About W. C. Williams, F. M. Ford, & R. Jarrell	November 10, 1954	1 45
id1520	File - Hammond was agitating for Pound's release	February 9, 1955	1 46
id1521	File - Pound's response to the rejection of an article by me [Clark Emery] suggesting Pound's release. Also, rejection letter from Saturday Review to Clark Emery	February 15, 1955	1 47
id1522	File - Reference to Lewis Leary, ed. of Motive & Method	May 13, 1955	1 48

id1523	File - About an article by Giovanitti suggesting Pound's release	November 4, 1955	1 49
id1524	File - A letter from Ronald Perry with a transcription of a letter from Pound to Perry	November 14, 1955	1 50
id1525	File - A blast at John Edwards, a Pound scholar at U. of Calif	November 19, 1955	1 51
id1526	File - More of Pound - Perry correspondence	March 1, 1956	1 52
id1527	File - Letter to B. Charlesworth, a student writing a thesis on Pound. Also: New Directions pamphlet, to mark Pound's seventieth year, and a Square Dollar Series pamphlet on American stylists and historians	October 28, 1956	1 53
id1528	File - More Pound - Charlesworth correspondence. Allusion to Edge, a Poundian journal.	January 4, 1957	1 54
id1529	File - More Pound - Charlesworth correspondence. Also, more pamphlets on Pound	January 23, 1957	1 55
id1530	File - Apparently I [Clark Emery] sent my revised manuscript to Pound	September 18, 1957	1 56
id1531	File - A request	September 21, 1957	1 57
id1532	File - Response to foolish question asked by me [Clark Emery]	September 29, 1957	1 58
id1533	File - Pound eager for release	December 19, 1957	1 59
id1534	File - Pound at work criticizing a manuscript. I [Clark Emery] sent this to Pound for his approval. Since he did not approve (quite rightly), I did not send it out again	January 25, 1958	1 60
id1535	File - Pound's response to my finally published book	September 4, 1959	1 61
id1536	File - Postcard; another notice of my book. Mention of Sheri Martinelli and Ronald Perry	August 1, 1959	1 62
id1537	File - Postcard requesting my [Clark Emery] progress	July 23, 1959	1 63
id1538	File - Correspondence with Sheri Martinelli, Mary de Rachewitz, others	1937-1963	2
id1539	File - Photocopies of correspondence with Ezra Pound	1937-1939	2 1
id1540	File - Photocopies of correspondence with Ezra Pound		2 2
id1541	File - Speech transcript-"Defenders back release of Ezra Pound," by T. D. Horton	1958	2 3
id1542	File - Letters from Sheri Martinelli, two photographs of paintings of Pound by Sheri Martinelli (autographed)	September 27, 1959	2 4
id1543	File - Letters from Sheri Martinelli	October 28, 1959	2 5



id1544	File - Letters from Sheri Martinelli	December 2, 1959	2 6
id1545	File - Letters from Sheri Martinelli	March 21, 1960	2 7
id1546	File - Letters from Sheri Martinelli	Spring, 1960	2 8
id1547	File - Letters from Sheri Martinelli	February 10, 1960	2 9
id1548	File - Letters from Sheri Martinelli	April 8, 1960	2 10
id1549	File - Letters from Sheri Martinelli	April 19, 1960	2 11
id1550	File - Letters from Sheri Martinelli	April 26, 1960	2 12
id1551	File - Letters from Sheri Martinelli	May 5, 1960	2 13
id1552	File - Letters from Sheri Martinelli	May 11, 1960	2 14
id1553	File - Letters from Sheri Martinelli	July 24, 1960	2 15
id1554	File - Letters from Sheri Martinelli	August 13, 1960	2 16
id1555	File - Letters from Sheri Martinelli	1960	2 17
id1556	File - Letters from Sheri Martinelli	September 11, 1960	2 18
id1557	File - Letters from Sheri Martinelli	October 10 and November 2, 1960	2 19
id1558	File - Letters from Sheri Martinelli	February 5, 1963	2 20
id1559	File - Letters from Mary de Rachewitz	July 15 and December 7, 1960	2 21
id1560	File - Letters from Mary de Rachewitz	August 1, 1960	2 22
id1561	File - Letters from Mary de Rachewitz	January 29, 1962	2 23
id1562	File - Letters from Douglas Hammond	January 3, 1955	2 24
id1563	File - Letters from Douglas Hammond	January 13, 1955	2 25
id1564	File - Letters from Albert Mensdorff	March 27, 1959	2 26
id1565	File - Letters from Bray Hammond	March 30, 1959	2 27
id1566	File - Periodical: Current, no. 7-13, 15-16, 27	June 13, 1955-October 17, 1956	2 28
id1567	File - Pamphlet: Ezra Pound for President	1956	2 29
id1568	File - Periodical: Strike, no. 1-3, 5-6, 8-10	June 1955-March 1956	2 30
id1803	File - Letter from Walton Brooks McDaniel to Archie McNeal	January 23, 1961	2 31
id1569	File - Periodicals, newspapers, clippings, typescripts, and transcripts	1948-1959	3
id1570	File - Four Pages periodical, The Analyst, "A Guide to Ezra's Cantos"	January 1948	3 1
id1571	File - The Pound Newsletter, No. 01-10	January 1954 - April 1956	3 2
id1572	File - The Amagagic & Paideumic Review No. 5-6, October 1969 issue (2 c.)	October 1959	3 3
id1573	File - Assorted newspapers, periodicals, and clippings regarding Pound		3 4
id1574	File - Assorted newspapers, periodicals, and clippings regarding Pound		3 5

id1575	File - Typescript: "Die Pisaner Gesänge" by Rainer M. Gerhardt	1952	3 6
id1576	File - Ezra Pound Radio Broadcast Transcripts	December 7, 1941 - June 28, 1942	3 7
id1577	File - Correspondence with Ronald Perry, poetry by Ronald Perry	1981	4
id1578	File - Letter from Ronald Perry	November 11, 1981	4 1
id1579	File - Letter from Ronald Perry	November 18, 1981	4 2
id1580	File - Letter from Maggie Donovan DuPriest regarding Perry's poetry		4 3
id1581	File - Ronald Perry's poetry: "The Box in the Attic"		4 4
id1582	File - Ronald Perry's poetry: "Crying for Rain"		4 5
id1583	File - Ronald Perry's poetry: "The Day of the Funeral"		4 6
id1584	File - Ronald Perry's poetry: "Ghosts"		4 7
id1585	File - Ronald Perry's poetry: "In the Shallows"		4 8
id1586	File - Ronald Perry's poetry: "In the Smoke"		4 9
id1587	File - Ronald Perry's poetry: "A Porch"		4 10
id1588	File - Ronald Perry's poetry: "Possum Climbing a Tree"		4 11
id1589	File - Ronald Perry's poetry: "Shallows"		4 12
id1590	File - Ronald Perry's poetry: "Songs From the Bottom of a Well"		4 13
id1591	File - Ronald Perry's poetry: "Stonecraft"		4 14
id1592	File - Ronald Perry's poetry: "Tamarind Jam"		4 15
id1593	File - Ronald Perry's poetry: "Wings"		4 16
id1594	File - Photocopies of correspondence with Ezra Pound from Box 1 in collection	1951-1959	5
id1595	File - Photocopies of correspondence with Ezra Pound from Box 1 in collection		5 1
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id1598	File - Photocopies of correspondence with Ezra Pound from Box 1 in collection		5 4