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**William C. Brinkley Collection**

**Brinkley, William C. Papers, 1938–1993. 17 feet.**

Author and journalist. Brinkley's manuscripts and galley proofs (1948–1988); clippings, reviews, and business letters (1945–1993); *Life* magazine (1950–1957) materials, including text pieces, background notes, and picture stories; biographical information and correspondence with publishers and agents (1938–1993); and a diary kept by Brinkley during World War II. Also in the collection are magazine articles (1952–1963) from *Life* and *Holiday* and newspaper clippings (1939–1944) of articles written by Brinkley and published in Oklahoma newspapers.

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**Box 1**

Folder:

1. Manuscripts--includes: *Quicksand* (original draft), *The Fun House*, and *The Two Susans*, 1948-1962.

**Box 2**

Folder:

1. Manuscripts--includes: *The Two Susans* and *Don't Go Near the Water*, several versions/drafts, 1956-1962.

**Box 3**

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1. Manuscripts--includes: *The Ninety and Nine*, several versions/drafts, 1966.

**Box 4**

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1. Manuscripts--includes: *The Ninety and Nine* (final version and setting copy), *The Texas Peeper* and *The Peeper*, 1966-1981.

**Box 5**

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1. Manuscripts--includes: *The Texas Peeper*, *The Peeper* (includes "The Ballad of Peeping Tom," original and final versions) and *Breakpoint*, 1978-1981.

**Box 6**

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1. Manuscripts--includes: *Breakpoint*, several drafts, 1978.

**Box 7**

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1. Manuscripts--includes: *American Woman and around the World Story* (book length draft, overseas draft), *Refuge* (Provincetown novel), *Captain Hayworth* (unpublished), *The Two Ensigns*, *All the Trumpets Sounded*, *Washington Monument*, and *The Last Ship*, 1958-1988.

**Box 8**

Folder:

1. Manuscripts--includes: *The Last Ship*, several drafts, 1988.

**Box 9**

Folder:

1. Manuscripts and galley proofs--includes: *One More Invasion*, *The Admiral's Tennis Pro* (unpublished), *Don't Go Near the Water*, and *The Fun House*, 1956-1961.

**Box 10**

Folder:

1. Galley proofs and miscellaneous--includes: *The Two Susans*, *Breakpoint*, *The Texas Peeper*, movie scripts, synopsis, and life draft of *Don't Go Near the Water*, 1956-1981.

**Box 11**

Folder:

1. *Quicksand*, clippings and reviews, 1948.
2. *The Deliverance of Sister Cecelia*, clippings, 1954.
3. *Don't Go Near the Water*, clippings and reviews, 1956.
4. *The Fun House* and *The Two Susans*, clippings, 1961-1964.
5. *Don't Go Near the Water*, reviews and clippings, 1955-1957.

6. *The Ninety and Nine*, clippings and reviews, 1965-1968.
7. *The Ninety and Nine*, clippings and reviews, 1966.
8. *The Ninety and Nine*, clippings and reviews, 1966.
9. *The Ninety and Nine*, clippings and reviews, 1966.
10. *Breakpoint*, reviews and clippings, 1978.
11. *Breakpoint*, reviews and clipping, 1978-1980.

**Box 12**

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1. *Peeper*, reviews and clippings, 1981-1982.
2. *Peeper*, reviews and clippings, 1980-1981.
3. *The Last Ship*, reviews, clippings and letters, 1985-1989.
4. *Quicksand*, business letters, 1945-1959.
5. *Sister Cecelia*, business letters, 1954-1963.
6. *The Last Ship*, business and other correspondence, 1991-1993.
7. *Quicksand*, congratulatory letters, 1948, 1957.
8. *The Deliverance of Sister Cecelia*, congratulatory letters, 1954-1958.
9. *Don't Go Near the Water*, congratulatory letters, 1956-1959.
10. *The Ninety and Nine*, congratulatory letters, 1966.
11. *Quicksand*, miscellaneous, includes reviews, 1948.
12. *Don't Go Near the Water*, miscellaneous, includes reviews, 1956-1958, 1977-1980.
13. *The Ninety and Nine*, 1965-1966.
14. *Breakpoint*, miscellaneous, includes correspondence, 1976-1978.
15. *Peeper*, miscellaneous, includes correspondence and research, 1978-1982.

16. *The Last Ship*, miscellaneous, telephone conversation between Brinkley and Chuck Verrill, late 1980s.
17. *Don't Go Near the Water*, bestseller lists, 1956-1957.
18. *Don't Go Near the Water*, ads, 1956-1957.
19. *Don't Go Near the Water*, movie synopsis, 1956.
20. *Don't Go Near the Water*, movie clippings, 1956-1958.

**Box 13--Life Magazine**  
Folder:

*Life--Textpieces*

1. *Blind River I* (1), 1954-1955.
2. *Blind River I* (2), 1955.
3. *Blind River II*, 1953-1955.
4. *Li Story I*, 1952-1956.
5. *Li Story II*, 1954-1956.
6. *40 Days of Captain Smith*, not dated.
7. *Guided Missile*, 1951-1952.
8. *Skadding Captured by Costa Ricans*, 1955.
9. *Thule*, 1952.
10. *Georgia Brown*, 1955.
11. *Sister Cecelia*, 1954.

*Life--Background*

12. Teletypes to and from Brinkley, 1951-1953.
13. *Time Collins--Army Cover--McArthur Came Back*, 1950-1951.
14. *The Martins*, 1955.

15. *Brainwashing*, 1950-1953.

*Life--Picture Stories*

16. *Truman Twain*, 1952.

17. *District Man*, 1951-1953.

18. *Kyra--Russian War Brides*, 1951.

19. *General Morgan*, 1951.

20. *Ph.D.*, 1951.

21. *Japanese Holdouts*, 1951.

22. *Effort to get Brinkley to China--My 31st Floor Visit to China*, 1954-1955.

23. *The Unusually Un-Mobile Face*, 1952.

24. *Congress*, 1951-1952.

25. *American Legion & Martin Merson*, 1951.

26. *Ogden Nash*, 1951.

27. *Nannie Doss--Sweet Lady Prisoner*, not dated.

28. *Hallinan*, not dated.

29. *Revolver Harry*, 1954.

30. *Newbold Morris*, 1952.

31. *King Committee*, 1951-1952.

32. *Life* miscellaneous, 1951-1957.

33. *Life* miscellaneous, 1951-1956.

34. *Life* miscellaneous, 1951-1956.

35. *Life* miscellaneous, 1950-1956.

**Box 14**--Correspondence, Personal, Publications, & Miscellaneous  
Folder:

1. *Life* Cumshaw (includes political buttons), 1951-1956.
2. *Washington Post* Cumshaw, 1949-1950.
3. Business correspondence, 1966-1979.
4. Business correspondence, 1980-1987.
5. Business correspondence, 1988-1989.
6. Business correspondence, 1990-1991.
7. General letters, 1939-1966.
8. Matson correspondence, 1963-1977.
9. Publisher's correspondence, 1960-1966.
10. Doubleday correspondence, 1965-1966.
11. M.C.A., William Morris, and other agents' correspondence, 1959-1965.
12. Horace Manges correspondence, 1960-1966.
13. Correspondence with Yale University, 1961.
14. Biographical, 1938-1993.
15. Washington diary and material--Brinkley, 1941-1943; Brinkley's University of Oklahoma diploma, 1940 and transcript, 1938-1942; Phi Beta Kappa program, 1941; Harvard University admission, 1946; Yale University School of Drama admission, 1961 and bulletin, 1962; Wolfson College admission letters, 1987; Writers' Workshop--University of the Americas announcement, 1978; and Phi Beta Kappa key.
16. Diary kept by Brinkley during World War II, 1943-1945.
17. Official Navy orders--Brinkley, 1942-1945.
18. Official Naval records--Brinkley, 1944-1955.
19. Transcript of family reunion tapes--Brinkley, 1955-1959.
20. Miscellaneous clippings and material dealing with Provincetown, Massachusetts, 1947-1948.

21. Miscellaneous--Exorcist story, basis for Blatty's book, 1949, 1974.
22. Miscellaneous--Achievement day, William Jewell College-honoring Brinkley, scrapbook, 1986.
23. *Reader's Digest*--"The Twelve Martins Go To College" and "How We Built a Giant New Air Base at the Top of the World," articles by Brinkley, 1952-1955.
24. *Catholic Digest*--"Fairy Godmother in a Wheelchair"; and *Magazine Digest*--"Godmother to Thousands," stories by Brinkley, 1950.

**Box 15**--Magazine Articles

Folder:

1. *Holiday*--"The Antic Arts: The Pancho Gonzales Story" by Brinkley, includes notes, research and drafts, 1962-1963.
2. *Life*--"They All Say 'Look at the American Signora!': American Women Abroad" by Brinkley, 1958.
3. *Life*--"The Great Beer Mutiny" by Brinkley, 1956.
4. *Life*--"The Agonizing Odyssey of Two People in Love" by Brinkley--the Lis, 1956.
5. *Life*--"Degrees by the Dozen on \$40 a Week" by Brinkley--Martins, 1955.
6. *Life*--"Joubin of Blind River" by Brinkley, 1955.
7. *Life*--"Out of Heartbreak, A Home"--Georgia Bowen by Brinkley, 1955.
8. *Life*--"The Deliverance of Sister Cecelia" by Sister Cecelia as told to William Brinkley, 1954.
9. *Life*--"Almost All Released Prisoners Come Home Happily...But There is Word from a Few Who Renounce the U.S. for Communism" by Brinkley, 1953.
10. *Life*--"Valley Forge GIs Tell of Their Brainwashing Ordeal" by Brinkley, 1953.
11. *Life*--"Birth of a Base"--Thule, 1952.
12. *Life*--"How a Taft Man Aims to Take Driver's Seat"--Hallanan, 1952.
13. *Life*--"Capitalist on the Loose in Moscow" by Oliver Vickery, 1952.

14. *Life*--"Guided Missile, It's Wonderful" by Brinkley, 1952.
15. *Life*--"A Ransomed U.S. Airman" by Captain John J. Swift, USAF, 1952.

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#### **Box 1**

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1. *Oklahoma City Times & The Daily Oklahoman*--clippings, written by Brinkley, 1940.
2. *The Oklahoma Daily & The Daily Oklahoman*--miscellaneous and clippings written by Brinkley, 1939-1940.
3. *The Oklahoma Daily*--bound newspapers, 1939.
4. *The Oklahoma Daily*--bound newspapers, 1939-1940.

#### **Box 2**

Folder:

1. *The Stars and Stripes*--Africa, weekly, bound newspapers, 1942-1943.
2. *The Stars and Stripes*--bound newspapers, 1943-1944.
3. *The Stars and Stripes & The Daily Oklahoman*--clippings written by Brinkley and miscellaneous articles by and about Brinkley, 1941-1944.
4. Brinkley's ancestry, compiled 1957.

#### **Box 3**

Folder:

1. The cover and artwork for *Breakpoint*, not dated.
2. Judith Coplon trial clippings written by Brinkley for *The Washington Post*, 1949.
3. *The Washington Post*--clippings and miscellaneous written by Brinkley, 1949-1950, 1970-1971.

#### **Certificates and Diplomas Collection:**

Brinkley, William C. Collection

1. 1940 citation for achievement from the Sigma Delta Chi Professional Journalists Fraternity.
2. Certificate of commendation from the Pan American Univ. Athletic Dept., n.d.



3. 1957 Screen Writers' Annual Award nomination for writing achievement for *Don't Go Near the Water*.
4. 1994 certification that William C. Brinkley is a subject of biographical record in Who's Who in America for the Marquis Who's Who Publications Board.
5. 1996 certification as Associate Member of the United States Naval Institute.
6. 1986 certification as Life Member of the United States Naval Institute.
7. 1949 appointment as Lieutenant in the U.S. Naval Reserve.
8. 1946 Certificate of satisfactory service of Lieutenant William C. Brinkley on active duty in the U.S. Navy during World War II.
9. 1941 membership certificate for William C. Brinkley in Phi Beta Kappa, University of Oklahoma.