

# THE IRVING BACHELLER PAPERS

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## BIOGRAPHICAL

Addison Irving Bacheller was born in Pierrepont, N.Y., on September 26, 1859 and died in White Plains, N.Y. on February 24, 1950. While attending St. Lawrence University, from which he received his B.S. in 1882, he founded the Alpha Omicron Chapter of Alpha Tau Omega, thus extending a formerly all southern fraternity to the north and helping break down sectional barriers.

After his graduation, he moved to New York City to join the staff of the *Brooklyn Daily Times*. In 1884, Bacheller founded the first newspaper syndicate in America, the Bacheller Syndicate, to supply special articles to large Sunday newspapers. One of the main contributions of this syndicate was the discovery of Stephan Crane and the serializing of the *Red Badge of Courage*. Similarly, Bacheller introduced Joseph Conrad, Rudyard Kipling, and Sir Arthur Conan Doyle to the American reading public through this syndicate.

Although Bacheller was appointed Sunday editor of *The New York World* under Joseph Pulitzer in 1898, he discontinued his journalistic work in 1900, for he had found a new interest to which he wanted to devote all his time -- writing fiction. His first book, *Master of Silence* had been published in 1892, followed by *Still House of O'Darrow* in 1894. However, it was not until he became a full-time writer that his real success began -- with the best seller *Eben Holden* published in 1900.

His fame as a novelist placed him in demand, and he joined the lecture circuit, with James Pond as his agent, reading selections from his novels, essays and short stories. Also, he served as a war correspondent during the First World War in France.

Bacheller was always interested in education and young people. He served on the boards of trustees of both St. Lawrence University and Rollins College in Florida. He also established the Irving Bacheller Contest, an essay and oratorical contest for Florida high school students, and endowed a professorship of creative writing at Rollins College. He received two honorary masters degrees from St. Lawrence and honorary doctorates from St. Lawrence, Middlebury College, and Rollins College.

## SCOPE AND CONTENT

This collection, numbering approximately 400 items, was acquired by St. Lawrence University from various sources through gift and purchase. It is valuable for the many autograph letters and manuscripts of Irving Bacheller. The letters, both personal and business, record the thoughts and activities of the author during the years 1890 through 1947. The manuscripts provide a wealth of material for the researcher interested in what and how Irving Bacheller wrote and include several unpublished works. In addition to these, the collection contains photographs of Bacheller, his family and friends, and numerous newspaper clippings relating to Bacheller and his works.

## SERIES

1. Correspondence. Chronologically arranged. Includes letters written by to, and about Irving Bacheller and transcriptions and photocopies of letters from collections in other repositories
2. Manuscripts. Arranged by genre and completeness.
3. Non-Manuscript Items by Bacheller. Arranged alphabetically by title.
4. Critical Material on Bacheller's works.
5. Biographical Material on Bacheller.
6. Bibliographical material on Bacheller.
7. Material on Bacheller's friends, associates, & the people he used as characters in his writings.
8. Miscellaneous

## ABBREVIATIONS AND SYMBOLS

IB = Irving Bacheller

a.l.s.= autograph letter, signed

a.n.s.= autograph note, signed  
t.l.s.= typed letter, signed  
# = photocopy or carbon copy  
\* = transcription - no original

**The Irving Bacheller Papers**  
**Mss. Coll. #1**

DESCRIPTION OF SERIES

**SERIES 1. CORRESPONDENCE**

**Box 1 1890-1918**

- 1 1890 Feb.21. t.l.s. IB to Henry Elliot. N.Y.C. Concerns a dispatch.
- 2 1891 May 11. t.l.s. 2 leaves IB to Prof. Gaines. Canton. Will print two of Gaines' poems. "Unfortunately the *Observer* does not pay for verse, but they will give you any no. of copies you may desire..."
- 3 1891 June 30. a.l.s. IB to "Dear Friend". N.Y.C. Thesis is returned and IB thanks trustees for reward of degree, other thoughts on theology.
- 4 1892. March 1. t.l.s. IB to Prof. C.K. Gaines. N.Y.C. [Bacheller Syndicate letterhead]. Encloses a letter about Gaines' chair and mentions a narrow escape.
- 5 1892 May 21. a.l.s. IB to "My dear friend". N.Y.C. On poem read in St. Lawrence Plaindealer. "My wife and I read your poem...with tears in our eyes."
- 6 1895 May 27. t.l.s. IB to Willis. N.Y.C. Concerns article request.
- 7 1895 #Oct.18 a.l.s. Mary Wilkins to IB. Randolph, MA. Thanks IB for invitation, but will not be accepting.
- 8 [1896] March 24. a.l.s. Stephen Crane to IB. Washington, D.C. Thanks IB for "the professor's article in the Philadelphia Press." Liked it because "he didn't try to appear wise as all-hell. I suppose the American critic's first anxiety is to impress the reader with the fact that he knows everything." (envelope)
- 9 1896 April 13. a.l.s. IB to Editor of Century Magazine. Returns proof of "The Bugle Corps." Expects correction and illustrations.
- 10 1896 Sept. 11. t.l.s. IB to Joseph Boardman Noble N.Y.C. Congratulates classmate on wedding.
- 11 1898 Aug. 12. a.l.s. IB to "Herbert". Tarrytown, N.Y. Encloses tribute to "Fitz."
- 12 1898 Oct. 16. t.l.s. Gilbert Parker to IB. Red Lodge, Southampton. 2 leaves. Concerns location of the Jumping Sandhills in relation to a story written by Parker.
- 13 1898 Dec. 5. a.l.s. IB to Amy Lyon, Canton, NY (St. Lawrence Univ.). 2 leaves. Concerns a proposed portrait of IB.
- 14 1899 #May 24. t.l.s. IB to Thomas Nelson Page. N.Y.C. IB is asking for permission to use an excerpt from one of Page's books. (original is property of Duke University)
- 15 1899 June 12. t.l.s. William J. Bryan to IB. Lincoln, Neb. Answers inquiry about celebration of Fourth of July.
- 16 1900 \*July 13. transcription. 3 leaves IB to Cora Crane. Letters of condolence on death of Stephan Crane. Gives some details on *Red Badge of Courage*.
- 17 1901 Feb.20. a.l.s. IB to Mr. Clarke. N.Y.C. Wants copy of Kelly, Burke, and Shay.
- 18 1901 March 10. a.l.s. IB to "Dear Doctor" N.Y.C. Will do best for SLU in upcoming visit with Carnegie. (transcription enclosed)
- 19 1901 March 11. a.l.s. IB to "My dear John." N.Y.C. Introduces Mr. W.C. Gates for business in publishing. "He has a plan, a great plan."
- 20 1901 May 2. a.l.s. IB to Kenealy. Sound Beach, CT. Concerns rights of publishing "Brigadier Tales."
- 21 1901 July 22. a.l.s. IB to "Dear Doctor." Concerns terms of Carnegie's donation for SLU library building. (signature cut out)
- 22 1901 July 22. a.l.s. IB to Ledyard. IB is trying to get Mr. Carnegie to donate money to SLU, especially for the library. (transcription enclosed)
- 23 1901 Dec. 28. a.l.s. IB to Mrs. Brooks. N.Y.C. Distressed by illness of Mr. Brooks.
- 24 1902 Feb. 13. a.l.s. IB to Mr. Smith. Thanks for answer to query.
- 25 1903 May 1. a.l.s. IB to "Dear Hawthorne." Sound Beach CT. Asks favor; wants good review of Darrell..."and, well, you shall know I'm not ungrateful when the day comes that I can do something."
- 26 1903 May 12. a.l.s. IB to Hawthorne. Sound Beach, CT. IB will introduce Morrell to Hawthorne.

- 27 1903 Sept. 6. a.l.s. IB to Mrs. Lothrop. Sound Beach, CT. IB thanks for the inscribed books sent to him.
- 28 1904 April 1. a.l.s. IB to Mr. Colver. Sound Beach, CT. IB unable to accept invitation "and the honor it offers" because of a trip to Mexico. Also unable to be with the Periodical Publishing Association.
- 29 1905 May 5. a.l.s. 2 leaves IB to Mr. Colver. Sound Beach, CT. IB unable to join Periodical Publisher's Association dinner, has already promised to meet friends in the Adirondacks.
- 30 1906 April 10. a.l.s. IB to Mr. Thomas. Riverside, CT. Brief note.
- 31 1907 March 12. a.l.s. 2 leaves IB to Mr. White. Riverside, Ct. IB invites White to come to dinner at the studio of the president of the Camp Fire Club.
- 32 1907 Nov. 24. a.l.s. IB to Mrs. Bersons. Riverside CT. Concerns the death of Mr. Bersons.
- 33 1908 Nov. 14. a.l.s. IB to Mrs. Minnie Ellsworth. Riverside, CT. Describes the best kind of home. (envelope enclosed)
- 34 1909 March 31. a.l.s. IB to Will [Manley]. Winter Park, Fl. Prospects for hotel project in Canton look good now that war is over. Mentions burning of house and sketch by Lansing.
- 35 1909 \*Jan. 23. transcription. IB to Page. "Credit me 5% on the Australian sales. I wish you wouldn't push the matter any further."
- 36 1909 Dec. 18. a.l.s. IB to Mr. Bangs. N.Y.C. Brief, asks for book to be sent.
- 37 1909Feb. 15. a.l.s. IB to Dr. Richard E. Sykes Riverside, CT. Arranging to give a lecture for Dr. Sykes in Mass. (envelope enclosed)
- 38 1910 May 23. a.l.s. IB to Duneka. Robinwood Camp, N.Y. IB needs to borrow money. (note by Duneka on bottom)
- 39 1910 Aug. 25. a.l.s. IB to A.S. Curlett. N.Y.C. Brief business note.
- 40 1910 #July 8. a.l.s. IB to Mr. Page. Robinwood Camp, Nehasane, N.Y. Best wishes on trip to Rome. (original property of Duke University)
- 41 1911 Sept. 30. a.l.s. IB to John A. Stewart. N.Y.C. IB happy to be a member of committee for celebration of 100th anniversary of peace among English speaking people.
- 42 1911, Nov. 12 a.l.s IB to Mrs. Dewar. N.Y.C. Describes how to find biographical data on him.
- 43 1912 \*May 30. transcription. IB to Mr. Holman. Nehasane, N.Y. Will be glad to receive Mr. Holman's work.
- 44 1912 Dec. 30. t.l.s. 2 leaves E. Prentis Bailey to IB. Utica. Affectionate sentimental letter. ("The last letter of a dear friend" in IB's handwriting on envelope)
- 45 1913 Dec. 3. t.l.s. IB to George Plimpton. Riverside, CT. Encloses check.
- 46 1914 May 11. t.l.s. IB to Mrs. Perkins. Riverside, CT. Not able to suggest buyer for house.
- 47 1914 May 27. a.l.s. IB to "Dear Ed." Riverside, CT. Very brief; mentions "corking interview".
- 48 1915 \*May 8. transcription Henry Van Dyke to Hamilton Holt. Has written recommending IB for admission to the Century Club.
- 49 1916 June 7. a.l.s. IB to "Brother Hickock." Riverside, CT. On pros and cons of fraternities. IB feels that they fall short of their goal to be "a means of preparing them [boys] to find and to love and understand their many brothers in the great world..."
- 50 1917 Jan. 12. a.l.s. IB to Margaret Sherwood. Riverside, CT. Letter of praise for her recent *Atlantic* article on the wandering of modern authors from the ways of the spirit (envelope enclosed)
- 51 48 1917 #Feb. 28. [Mr. Bobbs] to IB. Riverside, Ct. Concerns the promotion campaign of *The Light in the Clearing*.
- 52 1917 #April 18. copy. 2 leaves. Mr. Bobbs to IB. About movie rights on his books.
- 53 1917 #May 27. signed book inscription. IB to William Lyon Phelps. Riverside, CT. Regrets they haven't met. (original property of Yale University)
- 54 1918 Feb. 21. a.l.s. IB to [Jim Gannon]. W. Palm Beach, Fl. IB has just finished a series of Doc Potter talks and tales for John Phillips, and will begin some "war stuff." "Chuck that Mat Ives thing into the refrigerator." (Gift of Mrs. Kim Gannon 11/28/79)
- 55 1918 May 26. a.l.s. IB to Jim [Gannon]. Riverside, CT. IB cannot go out Thursday as he has lumbago. (Gift of Mrs. Kim Gannon 11/28/79)

**Box 2 1919-1924.**

- 1 1919 Jan. 28. a.l.s. IB to Jim [Gannon]. Winter Park, Fl. IB sends rough draft of "tale of characters." Suggests manner it should be printed

- 2 1919 Feb. 13. a.l.s. 2 leaves. IB to Jim Gannon. Florida. IB sends some "tripe"; hopes it's enjoyed. More on arrangements for publications.
- 3 1919 Feb. 28. a.l.s. 2 leaves. IB to Jim [Gannon]. Winter Park, Florida. IB wants "lump sum of \$700 for eight installments." Mentions art editor William Steele in reference to illustrations.
- 4 1919 April 23. a.l.s. IB to Jim [Gannon]. Winter Park, Florida. Sends more material for publication.
- 5 1919 July 1. a.l.s. 2 leaves. IB to Jim [Gannon]. Riverside, CT. Discusses Lincoln's spirit and IB's troubles in finding definite sayings that show "the general principles on which Lincoln acted."
- 6 1919 Sept. 6. a.l.s. IB to Mr. Woolcott. Riverside, CT. IB was grateful, hopes to be able to return favor.
- 7 1919 Sept. 29. a.l.s. IB to Jim [Gannon]. Riverside, CT. Concerns work sent and payments received.
- 8 1919 Oct. 21. a.l.s. IB to Jim [Gannon]. Riverside, CT. Brief note on work for publication.
- 9 1919 Nov. 13. a.l.s. IB to Bim [James Pond] Riverside, CT. On trip to Minneapolis where IB's tale was well received. "Charge me a commission on \$250 for Minneapolis if that seems fair to you."
- 10 1919 Nov. 15. a.l.s. IB to Jim [Gannon]. Riverside, CT. IB encloses revised essay; some other news.
- 11 1919 Nov. 24. a.l.s. IB to Jim [Gannon]. Riverside, CT. "The arrangement you propose on *Private Gods* is all right." (Gift of Mrs. Kim Gannon 11/28/79)
- 12 1919 #Nov. 24. a.l.s. IB to Mrs. Wells. Riverside, CT. Thanks her for the gift of Silas Wright portrait and send condolences on death of her husband. (original property of Mrs. Solomon Russell of Ogdensburg)
- 13 1920 March 3. a.l.s. [initialed] IB to Jim Gannon. Winter Park, Florida. IB received "the big generous book of the serial so handsomely prepared for me."
- 14 1920 March 15. a.l.s. 2 leaves IB to Jim [Gannon]. Winter Park, Fl. IB sends essay; discusses them, his golf game, and women's "tremendous thirst for knowledge."
- 15 1920 \*May 4. copy. [Irma Jones] to IB. Lansing. Fan letter praising *A Man for the Ages*.
- 16 1920 May 7. a.l.s. IB to Jim [Gannon]. Riverside, CT. Forwards "a corking good thing... by that soldier lad."
- 17 1920 May 7. a.l.s. IB to Irma F. Jones. Riverside, CT. Note of thanks for letter received. (envelope enclosed)
- 18 1920 #May 12. a.l.s. 2 leaves. IB to Miss Howells. Riverside, CT. Sympathy note at the death of her father. (original property of Harvard University)
- 19 1920 July 28. a.l.s. 2 leaves. IB to Jim [Gannon]. Lake Placid Club, N.Y. Asks for \$1000. "It will help pay for golf balls and gasoline." Plans Canadian fishing trip.
- 20 1920 Sept. 13. a.l.s. IB to Jim [Gannon]. Lake Placid Club, N.Y. Sends essay.
- 21 1920 Nov. 15 a.l.s. IB to Prof. Hardie. Riverside, CT. IB thanks him for his "prompt attention to my requests." Sends book copy as thank you gift. (envelope)
- 22 1920 Dec. 20 a.l.s. IB to Mr. Scaife. Riverside, CT. Very brief.
- 23 1921 Jan. 12. a.l.s. IB to Mr. Gates. Winter Park, Fl. Sends condolences.
- 24 1921 Jan. 27. a.l.s. 2 leaves. IB to Jim [Gannon]. Winter Park, Florida. Discusses his fictional character, a villain named Travers, whom he now wants to acquit; "he developed such unexpected capacities."
- 25 1921 Feb. 25. a.l.s. IB to "Dear Doctor". Winter felt the truth of my Lincoln." Isn't sure he will write a play on Lincoln; negatively criticizes play by Drinkwater on Lincoln.
- 26 1921 \*Nov. 1. transcription. IB to Mr. Osborne. Reminisces about Stephen Crane. (filed with July 13, 1900 to Cora Crane)
- 27 1921 Nov. 12. a.l.s. IB to Mr. Harrison. N.Y.C. Brief. IB thanks him for photo. (photo in container 12 folder 4).
- 28 1922 Jan. 31. a.l.s. 2 leaves. IB to Mrs. Ward Priest [Barbara]. Winter Park, Fl. Speaks of his faith in the teachings of Christ. (envelope)
- 29 1922 Feb. 4. t.l.s. 2 leaves. IB to Jim (Gannon). Winter Park, Fl. "Bart" died, work ongoing, other thoughts. "The only great serials I remember were purely American...Look out for big American themes and real Americans to treat them."
- 30 1922 \*March 14. copy. IB to Mrs. Frank Cleaveland. Winter Park, Florida. Letter of condolence.

- 31 1922 March 16. a.l.s. IB to Jim [Gannon]. Winter Park, Fl. IB thanks Gannon for his interest in a sketch of Bart Hepburn and asks him to bring it to the attention of the Chase Bank officials. (gift of Mrs. Kim Gannon 11/28/79)
- 32 1922 May 24. t.l.s. IB et. al. to Mr. Herford. Invites him to be a member of the Authors Club.
- 33 1922 July 28. a.l.s. IB to Lewis Cook. Lake Placid Club, N.Y. IB invites Lewis out. (2 photos: IB with T. Morris Longstreth and IB with Cook - photos in container 12, folder 4; envelope)
- 34 1922 Aug. 6. a.l.s. [initialed] IB to Bim Pond. Canton. Makes arrangements for circular to be printed.
- 35 1922 Aug. 7. a.l.s. IB to Mr. Pond. Essex, N.Y. IB is preparing lectures on "What is the Matter with America ?" and "Ben Franklin." (facsimile enclosed; explanatory note on original)
- 36 1922 Aug. 8. a.l.s. 4 leaves. IB to Bim Pond. Lake Placid Club, N.Y. Concerns his lectures. "I have found my groove on the platform. It is Americanism and ... Decency."
- 37 1922 Aug 8. t.l.s. D. L. Chambers for Bobbs-Merrill to James Pond. Indianapolis. Discusses use of book jacket on publicity for lecture tour.
- 38 1922 [Sept.] a.l.s. [initialed] IB to Bim Pond. Lake Placid, N.Y. On lecture tour arrangements.
- 39 1922 Sept 3. a.l.s. [initialed] IB to Bim Pond. Lake Placid Club, N.Y. IB is making arrangements for lecture trips. "I make money much faster at home and have a lot more comfort."
- 40 1922 Sept 22. t.l.s. [initialed] IB to Bim Pond. Lake Placid, N.Y. On lecture tour arrangements.
- 41 1922 Nov 11. t.l.s. IB to Bim Pond. Evanston, Il. Lectures are going well. "I had rather a hard job in Toledo."
- 42 1922 Nov 24 a.l.s. [initialed] IB to Bim Pond. N.Y.C. Lists expenses. "It has been a pleasant, but not paying enterprise."
- 43 1923 Feb 20. t.l.s. [initialed] IB to Bim Pond. Winter Park, Fl. IB needs financial statements for tax report.
- 44 1923 March 14 t.l.s. IB to Bim Pond. Winter Park, Fl. Arranging lecture tour.
- 45 1923 May 16. t.l.s. IB to Mr. Harrison. N.Y.C. Brief letter of thanks; disparages the "Scudders who are writing book reviews these days."
- 46 1923 May 23. a.l.s. IB to Bim Pond. IB planning lecture topics. "Let us stop trying to save the Republic. Doubtless it will be able to save itself."
- 47 1923 June 6. t.l.s. Smith for Pond Bureau to IB. N.Y.C. Literary business note. Note added by IB.
- 48 1923 June 14. t.l.s. IB to Pond Bureau. Canton. Very brief; talk scheduled for Painesville.
- 49 1923 Aug 10. a.l.s. [initialed] IB to Bim Pond. Canton. On articles and lectures they are both involved in producing and publicizing.
- 50 1923 Aug 29. a.l.s. IB to Bim Pond. N.Y. IB will call a Miss Hill. "Of course I will not let her or anyone interfere in our campaign."
- 51 1923 #Dec 3. t.l.s. IB to Dr. Aldeman. Hotel Seymour, N.Y.C. IB invites him to visit at Winter Park.
- 52 1923 Dec 7. a.l.s. IB to Miss Dahlstrom. Winter Park, Fl. IB is unable to address the College Club of N.Y.C. (envelope)
- 53 1923 \*Dec 17. transcription. IB to Mr. McRae. Winter Park, Fl. IB reminisces -- pleasant memories.
- 54 1924 April 28 a.l.s. IB to "Dear Dick" [Dr. R.E. Sykes]. Winter Park, Fl. Thanks for condolences on death of IB's wife.
- 55 1924 May 1. t.l.s. IB to Bim Pond. Winter Park, Fl. Gratefully accepts condolences on his wife's death. "Mrs. Bacheller and I had jogged along together for 40 years."
- 56 1924 May 12. t.l.s. IB to Jim Gannon. Winter Park, Fl. IB asks for payment. Is surprised that Latham sought to change the terms agreed on, "but there is no accounting for taste." (autographed note added)
- 57 1924 Aug 1. a.l.s. IB to Bim Pond. Canton. Settling price and times of lecture tours.
- 58 1924 Aug 6. a.l.s. IB to Bim Pond. Canton. IB has anew talk entitled "My Best Asset" about faith in men.
- 59 1924 Aug 28. a.l.s. IB to Bim Pond. Hotel Seymour, N.Y. IB tells him to leave a date open.
- 60 1924 Sept 13. t.l.s. [initialed] IB to Jim Pond. Lake Placid Club. IB is not seeking lecture engagements. Encloses money for space in catalogue.
- 61 1924 \*Dec 20. transcription. IB to Arthur [Bacheller]. Winter Park, Fl. IB sends his best wishes for Christmas.

**Box 3****1925-1936.**

- 1 1925 Feb 11. a.l.s. IB to Jim [Gannon]. Winter Park, Fl. IB was offered \$1000 for an article, "So if you, for some reason or other, don't want it, shove it back to me soon."
- 2 1925 June 17. a.l.s. IB to [Bim Pond]. N.Y.C. IB is available for lecture in Oct., Nov., and Dec.
- 3 1925 \*July 3. transcription. IB to Hamilton Holt. IB asks him if he would consider the presidency of Rollins College at \$5000 a year and a home.
- 4 1926 Jan 10. a.l.s. 2 leaves. IB to Mr. Thomas. Winter Park, Fl. "Can you recall one of Fred. Remington's characteristic stories?"
- 5 1926 #Jan 26. a.l.s. IB to "Dear Friends". Winter Park, Fl. IB is asking for their opinion of something he has written.
- 6 1926 Feb 15. t.l.s. [initialed] with autograph postscript. IB to W. Manley. Winter Park, Fl. Brief, enclosing scrap of manuscript for Manley's daughter.
- 7 1926 #Feb 26. a.l.s. IB to "My Dear Friends". Winter Park, Fl. IB has sent them something in appreciation of their reviewing a manuscript.
- 8 1926 #Mar 10. a.l.s. IB to "Dear Friends". Winter Park, Fl. IB is sending another sheaf of copy for them to review.
- 9 1926 #July 19. copy. Bobbs-Merrill Co. to IB Bringing out uniform edition known as the Independence Bell Edition.
- 10 1926 \*July 23 copy. IB to Chambers. Lake Placid Club, N.Y. IB agrees to a 10% royalty on a 7 volume edition.
- 11 1926 Dec 20. t.l.s. IB to Pres. Hamilton Holt. N.Y.C. - Very brief. IB hasn't received answer from Holt yet; hopes that is a good sign.
- 12 1927 Apr 5. telegram. Edward Marshall to IB. Brooklyn, N.Y. Wants to handle film rights to *Dawn*.
- 13 1927 May 18. a.l.s. IB to R.E. Sykes. N.Y.C. Thanks for conducting funeral service for IB's sister. (envelope)
- 14 1927 #June 17. a.l.s. 2 leaves. IB to Clinton. Park Ave., [N.Y.C.] Thank you note from IB for the copy of "The Epic of Golf" Clinton had sent.
- 15 1927 Sept 5. a.l.s. IB to Bim [Pond]. Lake Placid Club, N.Y. IB suggests postponing tour for a year.
- 16 1927 \*Nov 28. copy. Bobbs-Merrill Co. to IB Arrangements on the sales of his manuscripts.
- 17 1927 \*Dec 20 copy. Bobbs-Merrill Co. to IB. Making an advance payment. Arrangements for the new North Country novel.
- 18 1927 Dec 22. a.l.s. IB to Dr.(Hamilton Holt ?). N.Y.C. Mentions dinner with Pres. Coolidge.
- 19 1928 Mar. 16. a.l.s. 2 leaves. IB to Bim [Pond]. Winter Park, Fl. On topics and dates of lecture tour. "If you think we can make it pay, go to it."
- 20 1928 Mar 24. a.l.s. IB to Bim [Pond]. Winter Park, Fl. "...go to it with your circular." Brief.
- 21 1928 Apr ? a.l.s. IB to Bim [Pond]. Winter Park, Fl. Suggests new lecture program.
- 22 1928 Apr 14. a.l.s. IB to Will [Manley] Winter Park, Fl. IB is unable to give much money.
- 23 1928 July 1. a.l.s. 2 leaves. IB to Bim [Pond]. [N.Y.C.] IB apparently cancels lectures. "There is still a keen demand for books and essays."
- 24 1928 Aug 6. t.l.s. from Bim Pond to IB. N.Y.C. Asks if IB wants to be in Annual Catalogue, states fee. With autograph reply from IB.
- 25 1928 #Sept 20. a.l.s. 2 leaves. IB to Clinton and Jessie. Hotel la Perouse, Paris. IB tells of travel through Europe.
- 26 1928 Sept 22. a.l.s. 2 leaves. IB to "Dear Doctor". Hotel la Perouse, Paris. After tour of Europe, IB soon to return to States. Mentions a Florida hurricane.
- 27 1928 Nov 8. a.l.s. IB to Will [Manley]. N.Y.C. Invitation to dinner at the Waldorf Astoria. (envelope)
- 28 1929 Feb 12. a.l.s. IB to Mr. Benson. Winter Park, Fl. Brief, friendly note.
- 29 1929 \*July 30. copy. George Shively for the Bobbs-Merrill Co. to IB. Confirming advances on new novel *The Hempen Rope*.
- 30 1929 Aug 4. a.l.s. 2 leaves. IB to Dr. (Holt ?) York Harbor, Me. Mentions additions to board, a new book in progress, the Depression, other news.

- 31 1929 Aug 12. a.l.s. [initialed] IB to "Dear Doctor"(Holt ?) York Harbor, Me. IB visited Mr. Rollins, discussed Rollins College, and a monument for Rollins thanks to R's donations.
- 32 1929 \*Oct 3. copy. IB to Doubleday, Doran & Co. N.Y.C. IB does not want to buy the plates for *The Master*.
- 33 1929 Dec 31. a.l.s. [initialed] IB to Bim [Pond]. Winter Park, Fl. Invites Pond to Florida.
- 34 1930 #Jan 8. a.l.s. [initialed] IB to Hamilton [Holt]. Winter Park, Fl. Discussed with Gen. Carty Holt's plan for change in education methods.
- 35 1931 \*Jan 22. transcription. IB to Dr. Shippen. Winter Park, Fl. Glad they are to be neighbors.
- 36 1931 Feb 8. a.l.s. IB to Hamilton [Holt]. Winter Park, Fl. "Our great problem among coeds is sex." IB wants "some clever young woman to set the girls straight."
- 37 1931 #Aug 15. a.l.s. IB to Hamilton [Holt]. York Harbor, Me. IB tells him not to miss Owen Young's talk at SLU.
- 38 1931 #Sept 17. a.l.s. 2 leaves. IB to Hamilton [Holt]. Woodbury House, Syosset, L.I. IB sorry he missed a trustee meeting. Writes of "Black days when fortunes are melting away like ice."
- 39 1931 #Oct 23. t.l.s. IB to Hamilton Holt. N.Y.C. IB informs him that he had better wait until a later date to set up an appointment with Owen Young.
- 40 1931 Oct 31. a.n.s. [initialed] IB to Mr. Day. Very brief response cut from the bottom of Mr. Day's note.
- 41 1932 Mar 17. t.l.s. IB to J. Boardman Noble. Winter Park, Fl. Invites him to 50th class reunion.
- 42 1932 #July 14. a.l.s. IB to Miss Field. N.Y.C. IB wants at least \$50 for his article about Winter Park to be published in the Golden Book.
- 43 1932 July 30. a.l.s. 2 leaves. IB to Walter [Kuser]. Syosset, L.I. Congratulations on Walter's marriage. (envelope)
- 44 1932 #Aug 2. a.l.s. 2 leaves. IB to Frederica Field. Woodbury House, Syosset L.I. IB wants to know when his article about Winter Park will appear in the Golden Book. (original property of Harvard University)
- 45 1932 #Nov 26. a.l.s. IB to Jessie. Winter Park, Fl. Condolences on the death of Clinton.
- 46 1932 Dec 5. a.l.s. IB to Sheldon Brewer. Winter Park, Fl. IB gives own "treasures" to newly married couple, mentions Eldredge trial. (envelope)
- 47 1932 #Dec 22. a.l.s. IB to Editor. Winter Park, Fl. IB wants to know when Winter Park will be written up in the Golden Book.
- 48 1933 Mar 6. a.l.s. IB to "My Dear Friends". Rollins College. About Rollins College: its virtues, its problems, "sinister whispers"; "the very small percentage of girls and boys who go wrong there will go wrong anywhere." IB attributes this to the "Freudian theories afloat."
- 49 1933 #Mar 29. a.l.s. IB to Jessie. Winter Park, Fl. They would be pleased if she would come to stay.
- 50 1933 Sept 25. a.l.s. IB to "Dear Will" [Manley] Sends on book "filled with my immortal assininity."
- 51 1933 Oct 10. a.l.s. IB to Hamilton [Holt]. N.Y.C. Refers to an article in *American Legion Monthly* where he mentions Holt.
- 52 1934 Jan 28. a.l.s. IB to Hamilton [Holt]. Winter Park, Fl. About a letter sent to Keppler; apparently IB has edited something of Holt's.
- 53 1934 Aug 8. a.l.s. IB to Will [Manley]. Winter Park, Fl. IB plans to return to Canton early Sept. Mentions the breakdown of "poor Mike" - "the dear fellow had ceased to do anything but smile and make pleasant remarks."
- 54 1935 Feb 7. a.l.s. IB to Mr. Beaman. Winter Park, Fl. To "the one in about 150 fellow alumni who have even answered my letter." Brief philosophizing. "I know human nature fairly well. I've lost a lot of money but I'm not broke."
- 55 1935 \*Apr. 24. transcription. IB to Dr. Shippen. Winter Park, Fl. Florida is really picking up. IB just completed a book.
- 56 1935 June 26. a.l.s. 2 leaves IB to Dr. R.E. Sykes. Syosset, L.I. Suggests a memorial service for Robert Ford at beginning of fall term. (envelope enclosed)
- 57 1935 Nov 2. a.l.s. IB to Cyril Clemens. N.Y.C. IB will speak on Mark Twain at the American Academy. (envelope)
- 58 1935 Nov 29. t.l.s. Frank Kellogg to IB. Washington, D.C. Planning to write his autobiography. May join IB in Florida later in the winter.

- 59 1936 Jan 24. a.l.s. IB to Mr. [Wm] Glenn. Winter Park, Fl. Offers story for publication to the editor of "The Sentinel." (envelope)
- 60 1936 Mar 31. a.l.s. 2 leaves. IB to Hamilton Holt. Winter Park, Fl. Sends condolences on the death of Zenie, Holt's wife.
- 61 1936 Nov 29. a.l.s. IB to Dora [Bacheller Haines] N.Y.C. IB unable to make Washington trip. Wants her to find "some bright young woman" to research Lincoln. "Keep well. I love you." (envelope enclosed)

**Box 4 1937-1943**

- 1 1937 Jan 14. a.l.s. IB to [J.G. Benack]. Winter Park, Fl. IB answers inquiry about initiate of SLU's ATO, mentions others. "Bobby Ford was probably the first pledge." (envelope)
- 2 1937 Jan 27. a.l.s. 2 leaves. IB to "Dear Charles" Winter Park, Fl. IB is strong and healthy; not much news.
- 3 1937 Mar 5. t.l.s. John D. Rockefeller, Jr. to IB. N.Y.C. Thanks IB for IB's warm words about the Rockefellers.
- 4 1937 #Apr 27. a.l.s. IB to Jessie. Winter Park, Fl. IB sends apologies for not attending a function she gave.
- 5 1937 \*Apr 14. transcription. IB to "Dear Arthur". Winter Park, Fl. Friendly letter. IB writes of a golf game with Ed Tinker. Sending him a copy of his grandmother's genealogy.
- 6 1937 Apr 14. a.l.s. IB to "Dear Charley". Winter Park, Fl. Mentions Stanton and the affair of the burnt letters, relative to "Lincoln's keen judgment of human nature."
- 7 1937 Nov 27. a.l.s. IB to Charley N.Y.C. Thanks him for book on beginnings of Connecticut industry.
- 8 1937 Dec 1. a.l.s. IB to "Dear Dick" [Dr. R.E. Sykes]. N.Y.C. Condolences on loss of Sykes' brother. (envelope)
- 9 1937 Dec 8. t.l.s. Dr. Sykes to IB. Thanks IB for letter of condolence.
- 10 1938 Apr 6. a.l.s. 2 leaves. IB to [Cyril] Clemens. Winter Park, Fl. IB does not think Strachey had much literary influence; unaware any influence on himself. "I try to imagine that I am talking to some good fellows...and let it go." (envelope)
- 11 10a 1938 May 12. a.l.s. IB to Dorothy [Cleveland Salisbury]. IB explains where the name "Irving" came from.
- 12 1938 May 20 a.l.s. IB to Mr. Blomgren N.Y.C. Thanks him for "your very fine words which greatly overrate my humble talents." Remarks on what constitutes a true liberal.
- 13 1938 Sept 21. a.l.s. 3 leaves. IB to Charley. Syosset, L.I. Thoughts on great men, European habit of taking mistresses, "fear that Freud's philosophy was just what a large number of our emancipated females were looking for." Comments on Forster.
- 14 1938 \*Sept 30. transcription. IB to Arthur. Syosset, L.I. IB sends best wishes. Glad to hear that Raymond is better.
- 15 1938 Dec 23. a.l.s. 2 leaves. IB to Charley. Winter Park, Fl. Christmas greetings; not much news.
- 16 1939 Feb 25. a.l.s. 2 leaves. IB to Cyril Clemens Winter Park, Fl. Describes meeting with Pres. Coolidge. (envelope)
- 17 1939 May 18. a.l.s. 2 leaves. IB to Hamilton [Holt] N.Y.C. On plans for celebrating his 80th birthday and upcoming dinner "in which you could do some advertising for the college."
- 18 1939 July 25. a.l.s. IB to Richard [Ellsworth]. Westport. Inquires when he was elected to the SLU Board of Trustees.
- 19 1939 Aug. t.l.s. Cyril Clemens to IB. Webster Grove, Ma. Will send copy of Twain's anecdotes; questions whether Ruth O'Dell's *Helen Hunt Jackson* gives correct account of syndicate. IB responds 8/9/39 in margin. (envelope)
- 20 1939 Aug 7. a.l.s. 2 leaves. IB to W. [Manley]. Westport. About the impaired effectiveness of the Christian Church, attributable to the motor car.
- 21 1939 Sept 5. a.l.s. IB to Cyril Clemens. Syosset, L.I. Discusses IB's books. (envelope)
- 22 1939 #Oct 1. a.l.s. IB to Jessie. Syosset, L.I. IB sends thanks for the poem she sent him.
- 23 1939 Oct 10. a.l.s. IB to Dr. R.E. Sykes. N.Y.C. Thanks for birthday wishes from Dr. Sykes. (envelope)
- 24 1939 Oct. 11. t.l.s. IB to Richard Ellsworth. N.Y.C. Thanks for good wishes on his 80th birthday.

- 25 1939 Oct 13. a.l.s. IB to Mrs. Sulzberger. N.Y.C. Thanks for evening. Praises their boy; talks theatre.
- 26 24 1939 \*Oct 20. transcription IB to Dr. [Eugene] Shippen. The Century Assoc. Thanks him for clever verses and message of good will.
- 27 25 1940 Feb 29. a.l.s. IB to Cyril Clemens. Winter Park, Fl. IB wants to obtain copy of *Pocket Magazine*; suggests a book swap. (envelope)
- 28 26 1940 #Mar 6. a.l.s. IB to Jessie. Winter Park, Fl. IB thanks her for her high esteem of him.
- 29 27 1940 Mar 7. a.l.s. IB to Dr. Grover. Winter Park, Fl. Sends condolences for "this great affliction."
- 30 1940 #Apr 12. a.l.s. 3 leaves. IB to Jessie. Winter Park, Fl. Discusses the violence shown in theatres and the damaging effects it has on young people.
- 31 1940 Apr 16. a.l.s. IB to Dr. Seelye. Winter Park, Fl. Thanks for contribution to the Bacheller professorship.
- 32 1940 Apr 21. a.l.s. IB to "Charley". Winter Park, Fla. News of IB's doings, work, golf.
- 33 1940 June 3. Envelope from letter to Cyril Clemens.
- 34 1940 #July 23. a.l.s. IB to Edwin. Westport. IB tells about the influence behind his writing.
- 35 1940 Nov 2. a.l.s. IB to Mr. Parrott. N.Y.C. IB agrees to read selections of *Eben Holden* over North Country radio.
- 36 1940 Nov 27. a.l.s. IB to Hamilton [Holt]. N.Y.C. Brief, mentions Maeterlinck's visit and the rising popularity of Wm. A. White of Emporia, Ka.
- 37 1940 Nov 29. a.l.s. IB to Cyril Clemens. N.Y.C. IB wants to return a favor.
- 38 1940 Dec 18. a.l.s. IB to "Charley". Winter Park, Fl. IB hopes arthritis doesn't bother him. Sends Christmas greeting.
- 39 1941 Jan 23. a.l.s. IB to Hamilton [Holt]. Winter Park, Fl. Brief thanks. "Surely your friendship has been one of the big things in my life."
- 40 1941 Jan 25. a.l.s. IB to Cyril Clemens. Winter Park, Fl. Reminisces about Markham.
- 41 1941 Apr 17. a.l.s. 7 leaves. IB to Williston Manley. Winter Park, Fl. Shares reminiscences of North Country, and thanks Manley for literary sketches. (envelope)
- 42 1941 #May 22. carbon of a typed letter. [Bob] to IB. Asks for the correct title of *Winds of Gods*.
- 43 1941 May 22. a.l.s. IB to Bob. N.Y.C. Correction on book's title, response to Bob's letter of May 22, 1941.
- 44 1941 June 24. a.l.s. IB to Bob. N.Y.C. Mentions afternoon with Mark Twain.
- 45 1941 \*Aug 16. transcription. IB to Arthur. Westport. IB sends regrets that he missed him when he called.
- 46 1941 \*Sept 26. transcription. IB to Dr. [Shippen]. Praises a poem Dr. Shippen has sent him.
- 47 1941 Oct 11. a.l.s. IB to Dr. R.E. Sykes. N.Y.C. Thanks him for his interest in the Bacheller Professorship at Rollins. (envelope)
- 48 1941 \*Dec. 16. transcription. IB to John Finnigan. Winter Park, Fl. IB thanks him for his kind review of *The Winds of God*.
- 49 1942 Jan 31. a.l.s. 2 leaves. IB to Edwin Grover. Winter Park, Fl. Remarks on speech and book to be published.
- 50 1942 May 7. a.l.s. IB to Bob. N.Y.C. Churchmen saying "everyone should read" his book.
- 51 1942 May 19. a.l.s. IB to Harry Lichtig. N.Y.C. Mentions Joseph Sizoo, "perhaps the most popular preacher in America", and his reactions to his book. Tells of IB's election to the N.Y. Historical Society.
- 52 1942 May 29. a.l.s. IB to Mrs. Carrie F. Sawyer. N.Y.C. IB unable to attend class reunion. "A stubborn cold seems to condemn me to a quiet prudent life at home." (envelope).
- 53 1942 Oct 27 a.l.s. IB to Mrs. Richard E. Sykes. N.Y.C. Condolences on the death of Dr. Sykes. (envelope).
- 54 1942 [Nov 3]. a.l.s. IB to Cyril Clemens. Manchester, Vermont. Read Truman biography with interest. "Tarkington was a dear friend of mine. In my generation I am sure there was no novelist of his distinction." (envelope)
- 55 1942 Nov 3. a.l.s. IB to Cyril Clemens. N.Y.C. IB hasn't received invitation to speak at Mark Twain Scholarly Banquet; won't be in town anyway.
- 56 1942 Nov 4. a.l.s. IB to Harry Lichtig. N.Y.C. Received returned letter of Dr. Sizoo. Mentions possibility that book can be made into movie.

- 57 1943 \*Jan 8. transcription. IB to Dr. Shippen. Winter Park, Fl. Likes Shippen's poem which he feels is "the stern indictment of a good man's soul."
- 58 1943 #Jan 26. transcription. IB to Arthur. N.Y.C. IB sends condolences on the death of Arthur's mother.
- 59 1943 May 30. a.l.s. IB to Harry Lichtig. N.Y.C. Doesn't think that *The Winds of God* provides a movie theme.
- 60 1943 \*Dec 4. transcription. IB to John [Finnigan]. N.Y.C. IB asking if he will send the paper to a New York address. Writes about his game of billiards.
- 61 1943 \*Dec 17. transcription. IB to Grace and Arthur. N.Y.C. IB sends his congratulations on a promotion.

**Box 5 1944-1951.**

- 1 1944 Jan 9. a.l.s. IB to Will [Manley] N.Y.C. Congratulates Manley on article in *Plaindealer* about Sunday School.
- 2 1944 Apr 4. a.l.s. IB to Richard [Ellsworth]. N.Y.C. Sends manuscript of novel.
- 3 1944 Apr 11. a.l.s. 2 leaves. IB to Richard [Ellsworth]. N.Y.C. More information on donated material. (envelope)
- 4 1944 Apr 20. a.l.s. IB to Richard [Ellsworth]. N.Y.C. "The title of that book was *The Harvesting*." (envelope)
- 5 1944 Apr 25. a.l.s. [initialed] IB to Richard [Ellsworth]. N.Y.C. Gives advice on handling donated materials. (envelope)
- 6 1944 June 21. a.l.s. IB to Richard [Ellsworth]. IB sends him a book and asks to have a typist copy some *Eben Holden* materials.
- 7 1944 \*June 22. transcription. IB to Richard [Ellsworth]. Explains why *Hurricane House* was never published. (transcription of last two paragraphs of June 21, 1944, letter to Ellsworth)
- 8 1944 \*July 2. transcription IB to John [Finnigan]. Manchester, Vt. IB asks to have the *Commercial Advertiser* sent to new address. IB will be 85 on the 26th of September.
- 9 1944 \*Nov 20. transcription. 2 leaves. IB to John [Finnigan] Ambassador Hotel, N.Y.C. IB writes about the high quality of Canton's citizens when he was a boy.
- 10 1944 #Dec 13. a.l.s. 3 leaves. IB to Peggy Manley. Century Assoc., N.Y.C. IB writes her about Stephen Crane.
- 11 1945 Jan 29. a.l.s. IB to Richard [Ellsworth]. Gives a family document on the death of Truman Bacheller, who was a member of the St. Lawrence Masons. (envelope)
- 12 1945 Feb 13. a.l.s. IB to Mrs. Carrie [Sawyer] N.Y.C. Sends condolences on death of Lawrence. "the thing we all call immortality is especially for men like him." (envelope)
- 13 1945 \*Feb 23. transcription. IB to John [Finnigan]. The Ambassador Hotel, N.Y.C. Comments on his screed about Nick Goodall.
- 14 1945 June 11. t.l.s. Stephen Fuller, Secretary of Society of Mayflower Descendants, to IB. IB elected member of society by right of descent from John Alden.
- 15 1945 June 12. a.l.s. IB to Richard Ellsworth N.Y.C. Letter about genealogy chart which IB has donated. (chart missing)
- 16 1945 \*Sept 21. transcription. IB to John [Finnigan]. Equinox House, Vt. Tells him how to spell Janauchek.
- 17 1945 \*Oct 4. transcription. IB to John [Finnigan]. Equinox House, Vt. Thank you for a telegram and newspapers IB received.
- 18 1945 Dec 22. a.l.s. IB to Richard Ellsworth. N.Y.C. IB found family tree of his mother showing direct descent from John and to give it to SLU. (Chart and envelope enclosed)
- 19 1945 #Dec 26. a.l.s. IB to Jessie. The Ambassador, N.Y.C. Writes about his wife's health.
- 20 1946 \*Jan 11. transcription. IB to John [Finnigan] The Ambassador, N.Y.C. Thank you for correcting IB's Wyoming tale.
- 21 1946 Feb 7. a.l.s. IB to Dr. Grover. N.Y.C. IB sends gift; feels his age, still "alive and unstrung as Mark Twain would put it."
- 22 1946 Apr 6. a.l.s. IB to Richard Ellsworth. N.Y.C. IB sends his best examples of scripts to the college. [SLU]
- 23 23a 1946 #Apr. 27. a.l.s. IB to Mr. Sanford. N.Y.C. Thanks Sanford for two letters about his family.

- 24 1946 \*June 17. transcription. IB to Dr. Holman. The Ambassador, N.Y.C. Sending some things to Holman. IB says he is old and his writing is bad.
- 25 1946 \*July 5. transcription. IB to John [Finnigan]. The Ambassador, N.Y.C. IB writes about his recollections of Spenser Judd.
- 26 1946 \*July 5. transcription. IB to John [Finnigan]. The Ambassador, N.Y.C. IB wants to know if he forgot to ask him to send the papers to this hotel.
- 27 1946 \*July 15. transcription. IB to John [Finnigan]. The Orvis Inn, Vt. IB tells him what type of headstone he wants on his grave.
- 28 1946 \*Sept 11. transcription. IB to John [Finnigan]. The Ambassador, N.Y.C. IB has written something about Clarke and wants him to type it up.
- 29 1946 \*[Sept 23]. transcription. IB to John [Finnigan]. The Ambassador, N.Y.C. IB writes about his recollections of Clarke.
- 30 1946 Sept 25. a.l.s. IB to Atwood [Manley]. N.Y.C. Encloses "The Story of a Passion" in a letter of thanks for "your admirable and kind editorial." Story is one of earliest which "set me going on my literary career." (envelope)
- 31 1946 Oct 5. a.l.s. IB to Mrs. [R.E.] Sykes N.Y.C. Thanks her for greetings. (envelope enclosed)
- 32 1946 \*Nov 30. transcription. IB to John [Finnigan] The Ambassador, N.Y.C. IB writes about his recollections of Henry Stickles.
- 33 1946 \*Dec 28. transcription. IB to Arthur Bacheller. The Ambassador, N.Y.C. Thank you for the good wishes of Arthur and Grace.
- 34 [1947] \*Feb 12. transcription. IB to John [Finnigan]. Fairfax, Va. Had a cold so went south for a while.
- 35 1947 \*Apr 23. transcription. IB to John [Finnigan]. Hotel Ambassador, N.Y.C. Sends him a copy of the poem "A Day With Philo Scott." (poem enclosed)
- 36 1947 \*May 16. transcription. IB to John [Finnigan]. Hotel Ambassador, N.Y.C. Writes that Joe Witherbee's nephew is making a headstone for IB and wants Finnigan to check and see how it is coming.
- 37 1947 June 20 a.l.s. IB to Cyril Clemens. N.Y.C. IB eager to read *The Man From Missouri*, a biography of Truman. (envelope enclosed).
- 38 1947 Sept 20. a.l.s. Joshua C. Chase to IB. Camden, Me. Thoughts on their birthdays. (envelope)
- 39 1947 Sept 26. t.l.s. Harry Adams Hersey to IB. Birthday card with poem and sketch.
- 40 1947 Sept 26. t.l.s. Cyril Clemens to IB Webster Grove, Ma. IB unanimously elected "Knight of Mark Twain" by members of the International Mark Twain Society.
- 41 1947 \*Sept 28. transcription. IB to Arthur. Syosset, L.I. Glad to hear from him. Reminds Arthur that he will be the only Bacheller left and will have a duty to perform when IB goes to his grave.
- 42 1947 Sept 30 - Oct 25. a.l.s. from Hamilton Holt, A.J. Hanna, and IB. Series of letters related to IB's possible winter stay in Florida. "I do not think that we ought to take the responsibility of having him unless one of his family comes with him."
- 43 1947 Oct 11. a.l.s. IB to Cyril Clemens. Thanks him for honour of being elected a Knight of Mark Twain. (envelope)
- 44 1948 \*Dec 9. transcription of excerpt. H. Holt to IB. Comments on their friendship.
- 45 1951 \*Dec 7. copy. D. Lawrence Chambers for Bobbs-Merrill Co. to Francis Ballard. Concerns renewal of copyright on Bacheller books.

## Box 6

### UNDATED

- 1 a.l.s. 2 leaves. IB to Jim [Gannon]. Winter Park, Fl. About a mix up in business with the B.M. Co.
- 2 a.l.s. IB to Jim [Gannon]. Winter Park, Fl. IB glad that "the Franklin tale" can be printed; other news.
- 3 Nov 21. a.l.s. 2 leaves. IB to "Dear Doctor". N.Y.C. Advice on book title wording; thinks best proposal is "Recent Evidence for Life After Death."
- 4 a.l.s. 2 leaves. IB to Hamilton [Holt]. Winter Park, Fl. IB doesn't like the idea that he'll be charged for theatre for a public reading.
- 5 a.l.s. IB to Dr. [Holt]. N.Y.C. Very brief, encloses notes on ideas "to help our drive."
- 6 a.l.s. IB to Will Manley. Canton, N.Y. Eulogizes "this land of my birth." Also advice; one ought to take children to the movies with caution, one ought not "mortgage the future," to buy things in the present.

- 7 Sept 7. a.l.s. IB to Will Manley. Sends "A Story of Passion" which "Signifies the beginning of my literary career."
- 8 a.l.s. IB to Will Manley. Shares stories from past; "when you and I were boys a lot of diseases were killing people." Other thoughts.
- 9 a.l.s. IB to "Dear Charley". A Christmas greeting addressed to "the singing heart." (envelope)
- 10 #a.l.s. 2 leaves. IB to Jim Pond. Winter Park, Fl. IB suggests topics for lecture program. (photo of IB on second leaf)
- 11 a.l.s. IB to Mr. Robinson. N.Y.C. IB is too short on money to subscribe to SLU. "...all my money is needed to carry on my business enterprises...You will be glad to learn that I am prospering..."
- 12 a.l.s. 2 leaves. IB to [Edgar M.] Bacon. Riverside, Ct. To fellow author and friend, IB is "...hoping to discover something likely to be of service to you." Invites him over. "We'll have another old time like those I recall so pleasantly."
- 13 a.l.s. [initialed]. IB to Richard [Ellsworth] Manchester, Vt. Very brief. (envelope)
- 14 a.c.s. IB to Richard [Ellsworth]. N.Y.C. IB sends a notebook for SLU library.
- 15 memo of a phone call. IB to [James Pond ?]. Concerns lecture dates.
- 16 a.c.s. IB to "Dear Friend". Syosset, N.Y. Thanks him for a poem he wrote to IB.
- 17 a.l.s. IB to Atwood Manley. N.Y.C. Concerns details of his burial plans. Cover letter by Dora Bacheller Haines to Mr. Manley gives some explanation.

**Microfilmed copies of letters in other repositories:**

- 18 Columbia University Library
- 19 Henry Huntington Library
- 20 Library of Congress
- 21 Princeton University Library
- 22 University of California at Los Angeles
- 23 Yale University Library

**SERIES 2 - MANUSCRIPTS**

**Box 7 ESSAYS, COMPLETE**

- 1 "Age and How to Live it Down; the Great Helpers in Having a Long, Happy and Successful Life". 10 leaves typed. (hand edited)
- 2 "America". 5 leaves typed - hand edited.
- 3 "The Brotherhood of Beggars". 2 leaves typed. [small piece cut off bottom of pg. 1]
- 4 "The Fable of the Two Skunks". 2 leaves typed.
- 5 "The Help Faith Gives One". 35 leaves typed. (hand edited). [although complete in itself, it seems to be part of a larger work, as the paging runs from 33-61]
- 6 "The New Country Life; Irving Bacheller Tells of Remarkable Changes in the land of Eben Holden." 6 leaves mss.
- 7 "A New Task in Pioneering". 9 leaves typed.
- 8 "The Rungs in My Little Ladder". 10 leaves typed - hand edited.
- 9 "The Story of My Mother". 3 leaves. mss.
- 10 [A.P. Stowell] 7 leaves mss.

**ESSAYS, FRAGMENTS**

- 11 "Are We in Debt to God". 1 leaf mss.
- 12 "The Days of My Boyhood". 1 leaf mss.
- 13 "The Little Land That Gave Us the Year One and Christmas". 8 leaves mss.
- 14 "Speed and Adventure, Their Effect on the Spirit of the World We Live In". 2 leaves mss.
- 15 [Benjamin Franklin]. 4 leaves typed - hand edited.
- 16 [Common Sense]. 8 leaves typed - hand-edited
- 17 [Debunking]. 2 leaves typed - hand-edited
- 18 [Eternal Life]. 3 leaves typed - hand-edited
- 19 [Jane Gentry]. 2 leaves typed
- 20 [Left Behind]. 4 leaves typed. printed in *Colliers* - Oct. 30, 1915 (see container 11)
- 21 [Personality]. 2 leaves mss. - hand-edited, 1leaf typed. (typed leaf seems to be a later version of mss. leaves)

22 [Power of Christianity]. 4 leaves typed. hand-edited

**SHORT STORIES: COMPLETE**

23 "The Black Shadows; a True Story". 6 leaves mss. -hand-edited (in a section of a notebook with "The Naturalized Girl" and "Told by a Prominent Official of Gt. Wall St. Bank")

24 "The Soloist of Center Pond". 9 leaves typed hand-edited

24a "A Story of the Big Timber" from August 1901 *Cosmopolitan*, 2 pages, two illustrations

**SHORT STORIES: FRAGMENTS**

25 [Mike loses his hands and feet to frostbite, but gets an education and a wife.] 7 leaves mss - hand-edited.

26 [Lost in the Fog] 20 leaves mss. hand-edited. (complete except that pg. 1 is missing)

27 [Riley, a young soldier in Mexico in 1847, finds love and adventure] 9 leaves typed. hand-edited.

**POEMS: COMPLETE**

28 "In Memoriam[sic]; To My Dead Classmate William L. Fitzgibbons" 2 leaves mss. (printed version in In Various Moods)

29 "In the Vale of Lauterbrunnen" 2 leaves mss. photocopied onto one sheet (no original). also: photocopy of a.l.s. IB to "My Masters" Paris. Suggestion for changing some lines in above. (no original)

30 "Lincoln; the Great Shepherd." 1 leaf typed with a different wording glued over the penultimate stanza.

31 "The Love That Didn't Pay; Being a Farmer's Argument on State Issues". 1 leaf mss. hand-edited.

32 "A Song to a Sweet Singer". 1 leaf mss. signed by IB)

33 "To Clinton & Jessie from IB" 1 leaf mss. photocopied (no original)

34 "To An Unhappy Shoat" 1 leaf typed.

35 "Whisperin' Bill" 2 versions: 2 leaves mss. hand-edited and 3 leaves typed hand-edited

**POEMS: FRAGMENTS**

36 "Lincoln; In the Memorial at Washington". 1 leaf typed - hand-edited.

**Box 8 MONOGRAPHS: COMPLETE**

(Bound in leather and shelved with the mss. collection before container 8).

- A Boy for the Ages.
- Darrel of the Blessed Isles.
- Dawn.
- Eben Holden.
- House of the Three Ganders.
- The Marryers.
- The Soloist of Center Pond.
- Uncle Peel.
- Father Abraham (2 mss vols. Transferred from ODY papers, Van Hornsville, Sept. 2005.

**Box 9 MONOGRAPHS: FRAGMENTS**

1 Alice in Blunderland. 115 leaves typed. hand-edited. (later version of Hurricane House)

2 Hurricane House by Grace Vanallen. 52 leaves typed. (early version of Alice in Blunderland - no pg. 9, but seems to be a mistyping of numbers, not a missing page.)

3 *The Illustrious Boy*. 33 leaves mss. torn from abound mss.

4 [Dawn, Jack, Isiah Peters, John Iredale] 89 leaves, some mss., some typed. hand-edited (Scrambled pages, probably from different versions of the story.)

5 [Hurricane House or Alice in Blunderland] 33 leaves; some mss., some typed. (scrambled pages, probably from different versions of the story)

6 [Vergilius, Grosset & Dunlop, 1904] 51 leaves mss. chart of corresponding chapters:

7 [Zeb and Bird] 39 leaves typed - hand-edited

**Box 10 NOTEBOOKS - all with hand-editing**

- 1 Black leather 3-ring binder with "Irving Bacheller" printed in gold on cover. Monograph fragment: *Eben Holden*; 10 leaves.
- 2 Composition book-black and white spotted cover labeled "Book B - Irving Bacheller" Monograph fragment: *The Harvester*; 67 leaves.
- 3 Composition book-rose marbling on cover. Monograph fragment: *The Road to Somewhere: a Tale of the Great Depression*; 91 leaves (seems to be an earlier version of *The Harvesting*.)
- 4 Composition book-black and white spotted cover labeled "Oxen of the Sun" in pencil with extensive writing in ink over the label. Notes: biographical information on famous industrialists (probably used for *Oxen of the Sun*) 3 leaves. Monograph fragment: continues the story of the characters in *The Harvesting*; 11 leaves.
- 5 Green cloth-covered book, titled "Book I"
- 6 Brown cloth-covered book, titled "Book II". Monograph fragment: *Hurricane House*. 34 leaves (continues from "Book I" above).
- 7 Composition Book-black and white spotted cover.  
*Complete Essays*: "The Adventures of a Great Editor" 10 leaves.  
*Fragmented Essays*: [reminiscences of a trip to Palestine] 3 leaves.  
*Fragmented Monographs*: [John Clare of Goose Hollow] 8 leaves.
- 8 Mt. Vernon Composition Book - green cover. Notes: "From the Journal of Simon Pinion" 55 leaves
- 9 Red cloth-covered book, stamped "Ledger" on cover. Notes: [Benjamin Franklin biographical material and pithy quotes from his diary) 45 leaves.
- 10 Black paper-covered book, stamped "Record" on cover. Notes: Miscellaneous interesting and humorous phrases and poems. 45 leaves.

**Box 11 SPEECHES: COMPLETE**

- 1 "Address of Mr. Irving Bacheller to the Stevenson Society, August 26, 1922". 3 leaves typed - hand-edited.

**SPEECHES: FRAGMENTS**

- 2 [Address to alumni fraternity brothers on what they should give the youths following them]. 2 leaves mss. - hand-edited.
- 3 [Fund raising address for Rollins College]. 4 leaves mss. - hand-edited.
- 4 [various moral exhortations on notepad of Hotel Ambassador]. 9 leaves mss.
- 5 [to himself ?]. "God help me know thy wisdom and thy power. May kindness fill my soul and keep it strong." 1 leaf mss.
- 6 "Notes for *Eben Holden*" 7 leaves typed-carbon copy.
- 7 "Edison's Career" 1 leaf mss. (notes on chronology of Edison's career).

**MISCELLANEOUS: COMPLETE**

- 8 "Flashes of Humor in A Man for All Ages". 6leaves mss.
- 9 "The Most Wonderful Thing This World Knows". 1 leaf typed.
- 10 [Anecdote of the tyrant who learns he is the greatest fool] 1 leaf mss. - hand-edited.
- 11 [Announcement that he will deliver the Memorial Day Address in Potsdam] Sent to friend who asked him to speak. 1 leaf mss. hand-edited.
- 12 "Diary of Irving Bacheller, March 20-24". 5 leaves typed. (on a boat trip visiting Pompeii, Alexandria, and Cairo).
- 13 "From the Battlefield". 20 leaves mss. (loose pages found in a Holland Linen tablet, later discarded, labeled "From the Battlefield" - these were written by IB for his wife on the battlefields of WW I.) also a.l.s. IB to Richard [Ellsworth]

- 14 [Article about Bacheller by somebody else]. 3 leaves mss. hand-edited by Bacheller.
- 15 [On the importance of a stiff spiritual backbone for Rollins College] 5 leaves mss.
- 16 [Reminiscences of WW I] 6 leaves mss. hand-edited; 2 leaves typed that are hand-edited (typed p. 4 is a later version of mss. pages)
- 17 Miscellaneous fragments. 11 leaves (4 mss., 7 typed)

### **SERIES 3 NON-MANUSCRIPT ITEMS BY BACHELLER**

#### **Box 12**

- 1 Articles and speeches by Bacheller clipped or photocopied from periodicals, books, and newspapers - alphabetical by title.
- 2 Scrapbook of Bacheller's "Art of Living" columns from *Watertown Times* (photocopies)
- 3 Reports of Bacheller lectures and interviews clipped from periodicals and newspapers - chronological. (photocopies)
- 4 Microfilm of *Still House of O'Darrow*. (stored next to container 11)
- 5 Transcriptions of a few Bacheller articles and poems.
- 6 *A Few Songs* - song book with words by IB, music by Ann Bacheller.

### **SERIES 4 CRITICAL MATERIAL ON BACHELLER**

- 7 Candle in the Wilderness
- 8 Dawn/Trumpets of God
- 9 Eben Holden
- 10 Father Abraham
- 11 From Stores of Memory
- 12 Great Moments in the Life of Washington
- 13 The Harvesting
- 14 House of Three Ganders
- 15 In the Days of Poor Richard
- 16 Light in the Clearing (additional material in **Double Oversize Drawer #1 in flat file in ODY 149**)
- 17 Man for the Ages
- 18 Master of Chaos
- 19 Opinions of a Cheerful Yankee
- 20 19a The Scudders
- 21 Winds of God
- 22 Lectures
- 23 Critical papers, articles and theses on Bacheller's works
- 24 Notes by Ed Blankman, SLU English professor, and Richard Gaines for article on Bacheller's folklore.

### **SERIES 5 BIOGRAPHICAL MATERIAL ON BACHELLER**

#### **Box 13**

- 1 Papers and journal articles about Bacheller; alphabetical by author.
- 2 Newspaper articles about Bacheller; chronological
- 3 Announcements and menus of testimonial dinners for Bacheller.
- 4 Photos and drawings of Bacheller alone or in groups. (also a large photo in **Double Oversize Drawer #1 in flat file in ODY 149**)
- 5 Photographs of Bacheller's homes.
- 6 Information collected by Ed Blankman on Bacheller's Adirondack camp, Robinswood.
- 7 Bacheller's honorary degree from Rollins College.
- 8 Elegy for Bacheller delivered at SLU by Rev. Dr. Sizoo. May 6, 1950.
- 9 Mementos of Bacheller Centennial, Canton, N.Y., 1959.
- 10 Miscellaneous biographical notes on Bacheller

### **SERIES 6 BIBLIOGRAPHICAL MATERIALS ON BACHELLER**

- 1 Bibliographical description of Bacheller's books.
- 2 Jackets from Bacheller first editions
- 3 Checklist of letters from IB to Hamlin Garland.
- 4 Criteria for determining whether a book is a first edition of *Eben Holden*.
- 5 Information on Bacheller copyrights
- 6 "The Major Repositories of the Works of Irving Addison Bacheller" -- graduate student project from Syracuse University by Don Auensen
- 7 "Bibliography of the Writings of Irving Bacheller" by A.J. Hanna. *Rollins College Bulletin*, volume 35, no. 1, September 1939. 2 copies

## **SERIES 7 BACHELLER'S FRIENDS, ASSOCIATES, AND CHARACTERS**

- 8 James Gannon
- 9 Nick Goodall
- 10 Philo (Fide) Scott

## **SERIES 8 MISCELLANEOUS**

- 11 Bacheller Syndicate Material
- 12 Publicity and programs from dramatizations of Bacheller's works
- 13 Ads for Bacheller lectures
- 14 Cartoon by Joe Beamish 3/23/32
- 15 Pamphlet on the Irving Bacheller Professorship of Creative Writing
- 16 Poster of Irving Bacheller Short Story Contest, 1942 - Rollins College "Central Florida's Most Famous Forgotten Man" *Reflections* magazine April 2006
- 17 Epitaph of Speaker of the House Sam Rayburn
- 18 Program for Annual Dinner of the New England Society in Brooklyn, 1926

### **Box 15**

- 1 Bacheller, Irving – Interview of 1946 – Direct Quotes
- 2 "The Lighthouse of the North Country" May 15, 1923
- 3 "Some of the "Old Boys" of St. Lawrence University" May 14, 1923
- 4 Bacheller, Irving - Review of *From Stores of Memory* by D. Lane 1938
- 5 Bacheller, Irving - Class of 1882
- 6 Bacheller, Irving - Article on Frank B. Kellogg
- 7 I. B.'s Director's pin from New England Society of New York
- 8 Medal from Grand Lodge of the State of New York (Masonic?) for distinguished achievement in the fine arts
- 9 Rollins College Bulletin *A bibliography of the Writings of Irving Bacheller* by A. J. Hanna
- 10 Audio novel: *Eben Holden*
- 11 Misc. clippings
- 12 I.B.'s ATO fraternity pin. Added Nov., 2005.
- 13 Advertising Brochure for "D'Ri and I" (donated by Robert & GiGi York, Laramie WY July 2007 - found in an old book)

### **Box 16**

Miscellaneous folders of Bacheller-related material—Letters, clippings, ephemera