Guide to the William A. Graham Collection of Television Scripts

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Collection Overview

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CALL NUMBER: YCAL MSS 482

CREATOR: Graham, William A., 1926-2013

TITLE: William A. Graham collection of television scripts

DATES: 1955-1968

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 12.3 linear feet (30 boxes)

LANGUAGE: English

SUMMARY: The William A. Graham collection of television scripts contains scripts and other material for American television anthology series and other programs from the mid 1950s through late 1960s.

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Key to the container abbreviations used in the PDF finding aid:

b. box

Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Gift of Mrs. William A. Graham.

Conditions Governing Access

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Processing Information

The collection received preliminary processing at the time of acquisition. During baseline processing of 2011, collection material was listed in the order found, with groupings by program.

Formerly classed as Za Graham.

William A. Graham

William A. Graham, born in 1926, was an American director of television programs and films for nearly five decades, from the mid 1950s until 2002. He directed programs for a number of popular anthology series in the 1950s and 1960s and then directed movies for television.

Scope and Contents

The collection contains scripts and other material for American television anthology series and other programs from the mid 1950s through late 1960s. Popular live drama series during the Golden Age of Television included Kraft Television Theatre and its successors, Sunday Showcase, Studio One, United States Steel Hour, Playhouse 90, and others. Some programs, such as U.S. Steel Hour, originated as radio programs in the 1940s, and the scripts are based on adaptations of radio plays, adaptations from novels and other works, and original scripts for television. There are also scripts for feature-length films from the late 1960s and other programs. In addition to scripts, some folders contain documents, correspondence, photographs, and clippings.

Arrangement

Organized by television series.
## Collection Contents

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1958 February 26

Kraft Mystery Theatre

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“Cop Killer”  
2 folders  
1958

Kraft Suspense Theatre

b. 5  
“The Hunt”  
1963 August 5

Pond’s Theatre

b. 5  
“The Glass Parlor”  
1955 April 7

b. 5  
“A Second Chance”  
1955 February 24

b. 5  
“The Silver Box”  
1955 March 17

Sunday Showcase

b. 5  
“Hollywood Sings”  
1960 March 31

b. 5  
“The Light in the Dark”  
1959 November 12

b. 6  
“One Loud Clear Voice”  
1960 January 4

b. 6  
“The Poison-Bait Trappers”  
1958 February 21

Miscellaneous

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“The Dentist Stood Pat”  
undated

b. 6  
“Let There Be Light”  
1964 December 24

b. 6  
“Sawdust on the Sidewalk”  
undated

b. 6  
“The Sea Monks”  
1965 March 19

Deadline

b. 6  
“One Tall, One Short”  
1959 August 27

b. 6  
“The Two Ounce Trap”  
1959 August 12

Dow Hour of Great Mysteries

b. 6  
“The Cat and the Canary”  
1960 August 11

Feature Films

b. 7  
“The Doomsday Flight”  
3 folders  
1966

b. 7  
“The League of Frightened Men”  
1967 May 1

b. 7  
“The Revolution of Antonio De Leon”  
1968 February 13
Feature Films (continued)

b. 7  "Trial Run"
     2 folders  1968

b. 7  "Waterhole No. 3"
     1966 May 19

b. 8  "Waterhole No. 3"
     2 folders  1966

United States Steel Hour

b. 8  "The Imposter"
     1960 February 25

b. 8  "The Investigator #1"
     2 folders  1958 May

b. 8  "The Investigator #2"
     2 folders  1958 May 28

b. 8  "The Investigator #4"
     1958 June 10

b. 9  "The Investigator #7"
     1958 July 14

Rexall Special

b. 9  "Swiss Family Robinson"
     1958 June 6

Avco Special

b. 9  "Space - Man's Last Frontier"
     2 folders  1959 May

Special

b. 9  "Bernstein in Berlin"
     1960 September 20

b. 9  "Bernstein - Jazz in Serious Music"
     1959 January 19

b. 9  "Bernstein - Romanticism in Music"
     1961 January 13

Special - Social Work

b. 9  "Investment in Life"
     undated

Pay T.V. Special

b. 9  "Show Girl" with Carol Channing
     1961 April 2

Purex Special

b. 9  "The Single Woman"
     1960 December 28

Special

b. 10 "Sol Hurok Presents"
      1967 December 8

b. 10 "The Sound of the Sixties"
      undated
### Omnibus

- **b. 10**  
  - "Dancing - A Man's Game"  
  - Date: 1958 December 21

- **b. 10**  
  - "H.M.S. Pinafore" - Gilbert & Sullivan  
  - Date: 1959 May 10

- **b. 10**  
  - "The Strange Ordeal of the Normandier"  
  - *3 folders*  
  - Date: 1959 April 12

### Special - population explosion

- **b. 10**  
  - "The People Trap"  
  - Date: 1966 July 9

### Pilot

- **b. 11**  
  - "And Then Came Bronson"  
  - Date: 1968 October 31

### Pilot - The Insider

- **b. 11**  
  - "Operation Hot Rock"  
  - Date: 1965 December 3

### Pilot Film

- **b. 11**  
  - "Three for Danger"  
  - Undated

### T.V. Pilot

- **b. 11**  
  - "The Witness"  
  - *2 folders*  
  - Date: 1960 September

### T.V. Series

- **b. 11**  
  - "The Eleventh Hour"  
  - *2 folders*  
  - Date: 1963 March 15

- **b. 11**  
  - "The Fugitive"  
  - *3 folders*  
  - Date: 1963-1964

- **b. 12**  
  - "Naked City"  
  - *2 folders*  
  - Date: 1962-1963

- **b. 12**  
  - "Twelve O'Clock High"  
  - *2 folders*  
  - Date: 1965 February

### Studio One

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  - "24 Hours to Dawn"  
  - Date: 1957 November 11

- **b. 12**  
  - "Please Report Any Odd Characters"  
  - *3 folders*  
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- **b. 12**  
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Playhouse 90

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Selected Search Terms
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Subjects
Live television programs -- United States
Motion picture producers and directors
Television plays
Television plays, American

Genres / Formats
Photographic prints
Television scripts

Occupations
Directors

Names
Graham, William A., 1926-2013

Corporate Bodies
Kraft Foods Company
United States Steel Corporation