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# Guide to the C. D. B. Bryan Papers

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## Collection Overview

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**CALL NUMBER:** YCAL MSS 1103

**CREATOR:** Bryan, C. D. B. (Courtlandt Dixon Barnes)

**TITLE:** C. D. B. Bryan papers

**DATES:** circa 1976-2000

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 20.08 linear feet (19 boxes)

**LANGUAGE:** English

**SUMMARY:** The C. D. B. Bryan papers, which span from 1976-2000, contain writings, research notes, clippings, interviews, printed material, and other papers by or relating to the life and work of C. D. B. Bryan.

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

b.      box

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## Administrative Information

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### Immediate Source of Acquisition

Gift of Mairi Bryan, 2011.

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### Conditions Governing Access

The materials are open for research.

## Conditions Governing Use

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## Preferred Citation

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## Processing Information

Collections are processed to a variety of levels, depending on the work necessary to make them usable, their perceived research value, the availability of staff, competing priorities, and whether or not further accruals are expected. The library attempts to provide a basic level of preservation and access for all collections as they are acquired, and does more extensive processing of higher priority collections as time and resources permit.

This collection received a basic level of processing, including rehousing and minimal organization.

Information included in the Description of Papers note and Collection Contents section is drawn from information supplied with the collection and from an initial survey of the contents. Folder titles appearing in the contents list below are often based on those provided by the creator or previous custodian. Titles have not been verified against the contents of the folders in all cases. Otherwise, folder titles are supplied by staff during initial processing.

This finding aid may be updated periodically to account for new acquisitions to the collection and/or revisions in arrangement and description.

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## C. D. B. Bryan

C. D. B. Bryan (1936-2009) was an American journalist and author. After graduating from Yale in 1958, Bryan taught at institutions including University of Virginia and Columbia University. His notable works include *P. S. Wilkinson* (1965) and *Friendly Fire* (1976).

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## Scope and Contents

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## Arrangement

Materials roughly maintain order found at time of acquisition.

## Collection Contents

b. 1	Baby Flowers, with correspondence with Kate Medina <i>5 Folders</i>	circa 1991
b. 1	Baby Flowers, with corrections <i>4 Folders</i> Includes annotated manuscript along with an invoice and notes from Linda Williams.	1991
b. 1	Baby Flowers, second draft with annotations <i>5 Folders</i>	circa 1991
b. 1	Baby Flowers, notes and correspondence	circa 1991
b. 1	Baby Flowers, chapter breakdown Typescript with a brief description of each chapters	circa 1991
b. 2	Baby Flowers, complete draft	circa 1991
b. 2	Beautiful Women; Ugly Scenes, draft <i>4 Folders</i>	circa 1983
b. 2	Beautiful Women; Ugly Scenes, annotated draft <i>4 Folders</i>	circa 1983
b. 2	Beautiful Women; Ugly Scenes annotated manuscripts with related correspondence <i>4 Folders</i>	1981
b. 2	Beautiful Women; Ugly Scenes, early partial draft with annotations	circa 1981
b. 2	Beautiful Women; Ugly Scenes, annotated manuscript and related correspondence Includes correspondence with Kate Medina.	1982
b. 2	Beautiful Women; Ugly Scenes--notes <i>2 Folders</i>	September 1982, October 1982
b. 2	Beautiful Women; Ugly Scenes, correspondence Includes correspondence with Kate Medina.	1982
b. 3	Beautiful Women; Ugly Scenes, draft <i>4 Folders</i>	circa 1982
b. 3	Beautiful Women; Ugly Scenes, chapters 1-3 Includes heavily edited and annotated drafts.	circa 1982
b. 3	Beautiful Women; Ugly Scenes, chapters 4-6 Includes heavily edited and annotated drafts.	circa 1982
b. 3	Beautiful Women; Ugly Scenes, chapters 7-9 Includes heavily edited and annotated drafts.	circa 1982

b. 3	Beautiful Women; Ugly Scenes, chapters 10-12 Includes heavily edited and annotated drafts.	circa 1982
b. 3	Beautiful Women; Ugly Scenes, chapters 13-15 Includes heavily edited and annotated drafts.	circa 1982
b. 3	Beautiful Women; Ugly Scenes, with notes <i>5 Folders</i> Includes notes and comments along with correspondence with Kate Medina.	circa 1982
b. 3	Beautiful Women; Ugly Scenes, partial draft <i>3 Folders</i> Includes draft covering chapter 4 to the end of book.	circa 1982
b. 3	Beautiful Women; Ugly Scenes, review from the L.A. Times	1983 August 28
b. 3	The Best Kid in the World, correspondence Contains correspondence with Carl Brandt including a list of characters.	1990 August 6
b. 3	The Best Kid in the World, transcript Includes transcript of interview with Donna Buckley.	1989 June 18
b. 3	The Best Kid in the World, correspondence Includes correspondence and manuscript notes from Kate Medina.	1986 February 23
b. 4	The Best Kid in the World, draft	undated
b. 4	Teen suicide prevention materials and writings	undated
b. 4	Child abuse book, writings and interview	1989
b. 4	Child abuse book, writings, interviews, legal materials	bulk 1987-1990
b. 4	Child abuse book, transcripts, and notes from a conversation with Sarah King	circa 1988
b. 4	Child abuse book, more transcripts	circa 1988
b. 4	Child abuse book, more transcripts	1989
b. 4	Child abuse book, cronology	July and September 1988
b. 4	Child abuse book, chapters 1-18	circa 1980s
b. 4	Child abuse book, King Vs. Farley hearings, transcripts and notes	1989
b. 5	Child abuse book, chapters 19-36 with edits	circa 1980s
b. 5	Child abuse book, transcripts and interviews	September to November 1988
b. 5	Child abuse book, interviews	March to May 1989
b. 5	Close Encounters of the Fourth Kind, first galley proof ( <i>3 boxes</i> )	

b. 5	Close Encounters of the Fourth Kind, second galley proofs with edits (3 folders)	1995 March
b. 5	Close Encounters of the Fourth Kind (3 folders)	circa 1990s
b. 6	Close Encounters of the Fourth Kind (2 folders)	circa 1990s
b. 6	Friendly Fire, treatment for ABC Television	circa 1979
b. 6	Friendly Fire, with corrections (3 folders)	circa 1979
b. 6	Friendly Fire, producers marked xerox	1977
b. 6	Friendly Fire, original with corrections	circa 1977
b. 6	Friendly Fire, draft without mission chapter	circa 1977
b. 6	Friendly Fire, film treatment second draft	circa 1977
b. 7	Friendly Fire, near final draft	circa 1977
b. 7	Friendly Fire, with edits (4 folders)	1976 March
b. 7	Friendly Fire, Mullens interview transcripts and related materials	1971 April
b. 7	The Great Dethrifle, with corrections	circa 1970
b. 7	The Great Dethrifle, bound galley proof	circa 1970
b. 7	The Great Dethrifle, cover and page proofs (2 folders)	circa 1970
b. 7	The Great Dethrifle, Bound Galley proof	1970
b. 7	The Great Dethrifle, cover and page proofs (2 folders)	circa 1970
b. 7	The Great Dethrifle, second galley proof	1970 July
b. 7	The Great Dethrifle, news clippings and contract (2 folders)	1970
b. 8	The Great Dethrifle, original draft (2 folders)	undated
b. 8	The Great Dethrifle, original draft (2 folders)	1966 December 2
b. 8	The Great Dethrifle, galley proof	circa 1970
b. 8	The Great Dethrifle, master proof	1970 June
b. 8	The Great Dethrifle, original with type setting notes (2 folders)	undated

b. 8	Heartland, "rough" parts 3-6 (5 folders) Includes correspondence with Norman Schwarzkopf, Tom Cameron, and others.	undated
b. 8	Heartland, original Mullens interview	1971 April
b. 8	Heartland, "book 1" heavily edited	circa 1971
b. 8	Heartland, newspaper clipping	1996 December 21
b. 8	National Geographic, "history chapters" (3 folders)	1986-1987
b. 9	National Geographic, with edits (3 folders)	circa 1987
b. 9	National Geographic Society, "Interviews Confidential"	1998
b. 9	Mayo Clinic research files, 1-23 (23 folders) Includes photocopies from books and periodicals, correspondence, and ephemera.	circa 1998-2000
b. 10	Mayo Clinic research files, 24-56 (33 folders) Includes photocopies from books and periodicals, correspondence, and ephemera.	circa 1998-2000
b. 11	Mayo Clinic research files, 57-65 (10 folders) Includes photocopies from books and periodicals, correspondence, and ephemera.	circa 1998-2000
b. 11	Mayo Clinic research file Includes Reitemeier articles, correspondence, and other materials.	1984, 1995
b. 11	Mayo Clinic, final version (2 folders) Includes letter to Hockema.	2000 July 11
b. 11	Mayo Clinic--anecdotes and anecdotal history (2 folders) Includes correspondence and photocopied articles.	1992
b. 11	Mayo Clinic, McGoon and Moffitt Includes photocopied articles.	undated
b. 11	Mayo Clinic, history (2 folders) Includes interviews and transcripts.	bulk 1995-1998
b. 11	Mayo Clinic, psychiatry and psychology booklets	bulk 1980-1991
b. 11	Mayo Clinic, research file Mayo Clinic Today publication.	1999 August



b. 11	Mayo Clinic, medical school	1972-1997
b. 11	Mayo Clinic, library history	undated
b. 12	P.S. Wilkinson (4 folders) Includes draft with annotations.	1965
b. 12	P.S. Wilkinson, draft (3 folders)	undated
b. 12	Report from MIT, Close Encounters (6 folders) Contains edited manuscript and notes.	undated
b. 12	Report from MIT (5 folders) Includes edited manuscript and notes.	undated
b. 13	Report from MIT, research Includes a draft for "Waiting, Watching and Wondering".	circa 1986
b. 13	Report from MIT, Claire's abductions Includes interviews and chronology.	1992
b. 13	Report from MIT, Claire and Diana, hypnosis sessions	1992
b. 13	Report from MIT, Close Encounters of the Fourth Kind Includes draft with edits for pages 1-370.	undated
b. 13	Teens and community (5 folders) Included proposals, notes, writings by others, photographs, and suicide research materials.	bulk 1983-1984
b. 13	Teens and community, other suicides (2 folders)	bulk 1983-1984
b. 13	Teens and community, research material (2 folders) Includes newspaper clippings, notes, and related materials.	circa 1970s-1980s
b. 13	Teens and community, suicide note with research notes	undated
b. 13	Teen suicide book, research Includes interviews with police and others.	1985
b. 13	Tim Mellon's "Railroad" (4 folders) Includes proposal, articles and notes, and interviews with Mellon and Pease.	bulk 1992 January 22-1992 April 10
b. 14	Architectural Digest book reviews (2 folders)	undated

b. 14	Edited typescript Includes publisher's notes.	undated
b. 14	Discovery, Onizuka interview	1984
b. 14	Esquire Magazine, drafts (4 folders)	circa 1985
b. 14	European Travel and Life, Sailing in Turkey (2 folders)	undated
b. 14	Harry N. Abrams, INC Includes introduction for "In The Eye of the Desert Storm."	circa 1990s
b. 14	Kodak material (2 folders) Includes an outline and "dummy lead paragraphs" for article.	undated
b. 14	Louis Auchincloss profile (2 folders)	undated
b. 14	Mademoiselle, What Men Need From WomenToday	
b. 14	New England Monthly, "Godspeed Manatee" (2 folders) Includes writings about Guilford, Connecticut.	undated
b. 14	National Geographic (2 folders) Includes lecture notes and draft of a travel essay on the Hebrides.	circa 1987
b. 14	The Nation, "Remembering Denny" book review	1993 May
b. 14	New York Times (2 folders) includes writings from the New York Times Book Review and the New York Times Magazine, including <i>Final Harvest</i> by Andrew Malcolm and a piece about the Challenger space shuttle explosion tragedy.	undated, circa 1986
b. 14	"Notes for New Zealand piece" Includes draft of essay written for <i>European Travel and Life</i> .	undated
b. 14	Postcard book (2 folders) Includes unpublished draft.	undated
b. 14	Rolling Stone and Life magazine Includes drafts and interviews for essays on Marilyn Monroe and the Kennedys.	undated
b. 14	Short story drafts, unpublished	circa 1960s
b. 14	Vietnam Literature	undated

b. 14	A Woman's Depression (3 folders) Includes research materials and writings related to ABC television show and book proposal.	circa 1983
b. 15	Beautiful Women, Ugly Scenes Includes notes, drafts, and comments from Kate Medena.	circa 1981
b. 15	Friendly Fire (25 folders) Includes transcripts from interviews, notes, and handwritten drafts.	circa 1972
b. 16	Friendly Fire, partial drafts (2 folders)	undated
b. 16	Friendly Fire (4 folders) Includes drafts, notes, and reviews.	1970s
b. 16	Friendly Fire, correspondence (2 folders)	1970s
b. 16	Friendly Fire, reviews	bulk 1976-1979
b. 16	The Misadventure, draft	undated
b. 16	Newspaper clippings and notes	circa 1973
b. 16	Notes on evaluation stories and "Children of the Late Departed"	undated
b. 16	P.S. Wilkerson, galleys (2 folders)	1964
b. 16	Personal and business papers (5 folders) Includes family wills and income tax forms.	1964-1979
b. 17	Interview transcripts, teen suicide book Includes photocopies that are flagged with notes, names, dates, and other information.	undated
b. 18	Mayo Clinic interviews, A-G (3 folders)	undated
b. 18	Mayo Clinic interviews, H-K (3 folders)	undated
b. 18	Mayo Clinic interviews, L-P	undated
b. 18	Mayo Clinic interviews, Q-Z (3 folders)	undated
b. 18	MIT Alien abduction notes	1992
b. 19	History of the Mayo Clinic, incomplete draft (2 folders)	1995-2000

b. 19

Mayo Clinic interviews

undated

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## **Selected Search Terms**

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

### **Subjects**

Authors, American  
Authors, American -- 20th Century  
Authors, American -- 21st century  
Authors, American -- Archives  
Authors, American -- United States -- Archives  
Journalists -- United States -- 20th Century

### **Occupations**

Novelists -- United States -- 20th Century

### **Names**

Bryan, C. D. B. (Courtlandt Dixon Barnes)