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BIOGRAPHICAL/HISTORICAL NOTE

1943  Born in Picayune, Mississippi on February 23rd.
1965  Received Bachelor of Arts from Mississippi College
1966  Received Masters of Arts from Mississippi College
1967  Married on January 27th to Patricia Parrott, they later divorced in 1990.
1970  Obtained Ph.D. from the University of South Carolina – Columbia. Published “Andrew Nelson Lytle: A Bibliography of His Writings” in Mississippi Quarterly.
1970-1974  Assistant professor of English at the University of Texas at Arlington.
1974-1976  Visiting associate research professor and bibliographer in Southern Studies Program at the University of South Carolina at Columbia.
1977-1979  Assistant professor of English at the University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg.
1979-1981  Received grant from National Endowment for the Humanities.
1979-1983  Associate professor of English at the University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg.
1981-1982  Professeur Associe’ at the University of Strasbourg.
1983--  Professor of English at the University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg.
1986-1989  Received grant from National Endowment for the Humanities.
1991  Received grant from National Endowment for the Humanities.
1994-1995  Received grant from National Endowment for the Humanities.
2005  Fulbright Senior Scholar at the University of Lodz, Poland.
In 1985, Special Collections at the Jean and Alexander Heard Library acquired a collection of working papers from Noel Polk on his bibliography of Andrew Nelson Lytle. The Noel Polk/Andrew Lytle Collection was a generous donation made by Mr. Polk himself.

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The basis for Noel Polk’s bibliography of Andrew Lytle stemmed from the Society for the Study of Southern Literature. The Society was created in 1967 to develop research tools to aid in the study of American Southern writers. The Society commissioned the Mississippi Quarterly, the Journal of Southern Cultures, to create a Bibliography Committee that would compile an ongoing bibliography of all books and articles about and by southern writers. Polk’s work is included in the Fall 1970 issue of the Mississippi Quarterly.

The Noel Polk/Andrew Lytle Collection consists of three boxes, one of which is oversize. The materials within this collection have been arranged in the following series: Correspondence, Research Materials, and Writings.
LIST OF SERIES AND SUBSERIES

Series I.  Correspondence

Series II.  Research Material

Series III.  Writings
SERIES AND SUBSERIES DESCRIPTIONS

Series I. Correspondence, 1925-1971 (0.5 boxes)

The Correspondence Series is made up of both incoming and outgoing letters. In order to maintain original order the incoming letters have been kept as they were, with the initial outgoing letter paper-clipped together. The correspondence has thus been arranged chronologically by the date of the initial outgoing letter. An interesting note, included within this series is a letter from the U.S. Senator Strom Thurmond that bears his signature. Most correspondence concerns Noel Polk obtaining information for his bibliography of Andrew Lytle’s works.

Series II. Research Material, [1968-1971] (1 box)

This series contains various materials used by Mr. Polk for his research when writing the bibliography. Included within the material are notes, correspondence, copies of Lytle’s writings, reviews of Lytle’s writings, and a notebook of notes for the bibliography. Arrangement?

Series III. Writings, Undated (0.5 box and 1 oversize box)

The Writings Series consists of typescripts, galley proofs, and a checklist of Polk’s “Andrew Nelson Lytle: A Bibliography of His Writings.” Some documents are marked while some have been left unmarked. This series contains oversize material.
CONTAINER LIST

Box 1

Series I. Correspondence

1. Correspondence: 1925-1951
2. Correspondence: June 8, 1968 – Aug. 25, 1969
7. Correspondence: March 12, 1970 – Feb. 25, 1971
8. Correspondence: Notes and fragments [1968-1971]

Series II. Research Material

9. Research Material: Copy of Andrew Lytle’s short story “Alchemy”
10. Research Material: Copies of Andrew Lytle’s Bedford Forrest and His Critter Company (1 of 3)
11. Research Material: Copies of Andrew Lytle’s Bedford Forrest and His Critter Company (2 of 3)
12. Research Material: Copies of Andrew Lytle’s Bedford Forrest and His Critter Company (3 of 3)
13. Research Material: Copy of Andrew Lytle’s A Christian University and The Word
15. Research Material: Copy of Andrew Lytle’s short story “Jericho, Jericho, Jericho”
16. Research Material: Copy of Andrew Lytle’s short story “Mister MacGregor”
17. Research Material: Notes for Lytle’s A Name For Evil, 1947 (1 of 2)
18. Research Material: Notes for Lytle’s A Name For Evil, 1947 (2 of 2)
20. Research Material: Copies of Lytle’s Periodical Articles (1 of 2)
21. Research Material: Copies of Lytle’s Periodical Articles (2 of 2)
22. Research Material: Reviews of Andrew Lytle works
23. Research Material: Notes
25. Research Material: Notes – Andrew Lytle’s The Long Night (1936)
26. Research Material: Notes on Lytle’s At The Moon’s Inn (1941) (1 of 2)
27. Research Material: Notes on Lytle’s At The Moon’s Inn (1941) (2 of 2)
29. Research Material: Notes on Lytle’s The Velvet Horn (1957)
Box 2

Series II. Research Materials (Continued)

1. Research Material: Notes on Lytle’s unpublished poems, stories, plays, and essays
2. Research Material: Notes and copies of Lytle’s Sewanee Review articles – Hero comparisons (1 of 4)
3. Research Material: Notes and copies of Lytle’s Sewanee Review articles – Hero comparisons (2 of 4)
4. Research Material: Notes and copies of Lytle’s Sewanee Review articles – Hero comparisons (3 of 4)
5. Research Material: Notes and copies of Lytle’s Sewanee Review articles – Hero comparisons (4 of 4)
6. Research Material: Andrew Lytle Secondary Sources (1 of 2)
7. Research Material: Andrew Lytle Secondary Sources (2 of 2)
8. Research Material: Andrew Lytle Checklist for University of Mississippi Press Book
9. Research Material: Notebook for Andrew Lytle Bibliography

Series III. Writings

10. Writings: Andrew Lytle Bibliography – Typescript (1 of 5)
11. Writings: Andrew Lytle Bibliography – Typescript (2 of 5)
12. Writings: Andrew Lytle Bibliography – Typescript (3 of 5)
13. Writings: Andrew Lytle Bibliography – Typescript (4 of 5)
14. Writings: Andrew Lytle Bibliography – Typescript (5 of 5)
15. Writings: An Andrew Lytle Checklist
16. Writings: Galley proof – Andrew Nelson Lytle: A Bibliography of His Writings (1 of 2)
17. Writings: Galley proof – Andrew Nelson Lytle: A Bibliography of His Writings (2 of 2)
18. Writings: Andrew Lytle’s Bibliography – First corrected galleys

Oversize Box 1

Series III. Writings (Continued)

1. Writings: Andrew Lytle Bibliography - Second Corrected Galley
2. Writings: Andrew Lytle Bibliography – Marked Galley
3. Writings: Andrew Lytle Bibliography – Marked Galley Mississippi Quarterly
4. Writings: Andrew Lytle Bibliography – Marked Galley Mississippi Quarterly
5. Writings: Andrew Lytle Bibliography – Marked Galley
6. Writings: Andrew Lytle Bibliography – Marked Galley
7. Writings: Andrew Lytle Bibliography – Marked Galley
8. Writings: Andrew Lytle Bibliography – Unmarked Galley Proof
9. Writings: Andrew Lytle Bibliography – Marked Galley Mississippi Quarterly