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Andrew J. Offutt papers, 1949-2013

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Creator: Offutt, Andrew J.
Title: Andrew J. Offutt papers, 1949-2013
Call Number: Manuscript Collection No. 1470
Extent: 29.5 linear feet (30 boxes) and AV Masters: 0.25 linear feet (1 box)
Abstract: Papers of white American science fiction, fantasy, and erotica author, Andrew J. Offutt, consist of writings, books, correspondence, school records, financial records, and audiovisual and born digital material.
Language: Materials mostly in English.

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Chris Offutt papers, MSS 1338

Source
Gift and purchase from Chris Offutt, 2017-2018

Custodial History
The Rose Library purchased part of the collection from Chris Offutt, son and literary executor of Andrew J. Offutt. Offutt gifted the rest of the collection to the Rose Library. Offutt arranged and packed the collection at his residence in Mississippi and shipped it to the Rose Library.

Citation
[after identification of item(s)], Andrew J. Offutt papers, Stuart A. Rose Manuscript, Archives, and Rare Book Library, Emory University.

Appraisal Note
Former Director and Curator of Literary Collections, Rosemary Magee, acquired the collection as part of the Rose Library's holdings in twentieth-century literature.

Processing
Arranged and described at the collection level by Meaghan O'Riordan, March 2019.

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Collection Description

Biographical Note
Andrew J. Offutt (1934-2013) was born in Taylorsville, Kentucky. He attended the University of Louisville (Kentucky) and worked as an insurance salesman in the 1950s prior to transitioning to writing full-time. While Offutt published the story, "And Gone Tomorrow," in the pulp science fiction magazine If in 1954, he considered the story, "Blacksword," published in the similar publication Galaxy Science Fiction in 1959 as the start of his career. His first science fiction novel was Evil is Live Spelled Backwards (1970). Offutt wrote numerous short stories in the Thieves' World series edited by Robert Lynn Asprin and Lynn Abbey, which featured his best-known character, the thief, Hanse, also known as Shadowspawn (and, later, Chance). He also wrote two series based on two of Robert E. Howard's characters: Conan and Cormac mac Art, an Irish Viking active in King Arthur's time. Under the pseudonym John Cleve, Offutt wrote several erotic fiction novels, including the erotic science fiction series Spaceways. As an editor, Offutt produced a series of five anthologies titled Swords Against Darkness, which included the first professional sale by Charles de Lint. He served as the president of the Science Fiction Writers of American (SFWA) from 1976-1978.
Offutt wrote at least 420 erotic works under more than 17 different pen names and house names, including Opal Andrews, Anonymous, Joe Brown, John Cleve, Camille Colben, Jack Cory, Jeremy Crebb, P.N. Dedeaux, John Denis, Jeff Douglas, Farrah Fawkes, Baxter Giles, Alan Marshall, Jeff Morehead, J. (John) X. Williams, Turk Winter, and Jeff Woodson. His first erotic novel was *Bondage Babes* in 1968 published under the name Alan Marshall. His primary pseudonym for this work was John Cleve, and he published under that name for the first time in 1969 with *Slave of the Sudan*.

Offutt was married to Jodie McCabe Offutt of Lexington, Kentucky, for more than fifty years. They had four children: Chris Offutt, Jeff Offutt, Scotty Hyde, and Melissa Offutt.

**Scope and Content Note**
The collection consists of the papers of Andrew J. Offutt from 1949-2013 and includes writings, books, correspondence, school records, financial records, audiovisual, and born digital material documenting his career as a science fiction, fantasy, and erotica author. Writings include manuscripts of Offutt's published and unpublished work, including work written under two of his pseudonyms, John Cleve and Turk Winter. There are also drafts of speeches he gave at conventions and during television appearances. Books comprise the majority of Offutt's bibliography, including works under pseudonyms and works included in anthologies and periodicals, such as pulp magazines. Correspondence primarily consists of literary and professional correspondence with some personal correspondence included, as well as correspondence from Offutt's employment as an insurance salesman. Additionally, there are school records primarily from Offutt's college career at the University of Louisville (Kentucky) that include papers and finals he wrote, as well as yearbooks. There is a small amount of financial records, including literary contracts and ledgers documenting royalties Offutt received from publications. Audiovisual material consists of interviews with Offutt and born digital material appears to mainly consist of writings. Also included are two board games based on science fiction and fantasy novels written by Offutt.

**Arrangement Note**
Arranged in alphabetical order by record type.

**Finding Aid Note**
An inventory of the books is available upon request.
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