# Ralph D. Blumenfeld:

## An Inventory of His Collection at the Harry Ransom Center

# **Descriptive Summary**

Creator: Blumenfeld, Ralph D. (Ralph David), 1864-1948

Title: Ralph D. (Ralph David) Blumenfeld Collection

**Dates:** 1872-1938, undated

Extent: 1 box (.42 linear feet)

**Abstract:** Collection chiefly contains correspondence to Ralph D. Blumenfeld,

American-born journalist and editor in charge of the British

newspaper *Daily Express* from 1902-1932. Correspondents include J.

M. Barrie, Noel Coward, W. S. Maugham and other notables.

Call Number: Manuscript Collection MS-0425

**Language:** English

**Access:** Open for research

#### **Administrative Information**

**Processed by:** Joan Sibley and Jamie Hawkins-Kirkham, 2011 **Note:** This finding

aid replicates and replaces information previously available only in a card catalog. Please see the explanatory note at the end of this finding aid for information regarding the arrangement of the manuscripts as

well as the abbreviations commonly used in descriptions.

**Repository:** <u>Harry Ransom Center, The University of Texas at Austin</u>

### **Miscellaneous:**

Unidentified author. Note re Henry de Vere Stacpoole, handwritten manuscript, 1 **Container** page, undated. 1.1

Baden-Powell, Robert Stephenson Smyth Baden-Powell, Baron, 1857-1941. 4 letters to Blumenfeld, 1931-1937.

Baldwin, Stanley Baldwin, 1st earl, 1867-1947. ALS to Blumenfeld, 14 June 1920.

Barrie, James Matthew, Sir, 1860-1937. ALS to Blumenfeld, 14 May 1924.

Belloc, Hilaire, 1870-1953. 4 letters to Blumenfeld, 1907-1911.

Bennett, Arnold, 1867-1931. TLS to Blumenfeld, 1 April 1921.

Buchan, John, 1875-1940. 4 letters and postcards to Blumenfeld, 1917-1935.

Caine, Hall, Sir, 1853-1931. Autobiographical sketch, signed handwritten manuscript with emendations, 1 page, undated; 5 letters to Blumenfeld, 1905-1923; ALS to Harmsworth, undated.

Corelli, Marie, 1855-1924. 13 letters to Blumenfeld, 1904-1922; ALS to Pearson, **Container** Mr., 1912.

Coward, Noel Pierce, 1899-. 2 ALS to Blumenfeld, 1930-1931.

Container 1.1

1.2

Douglas, Alfred Bruce, Lord, 1870-1945. Sonnet, Blackness descends on England like a pall..., signed typescript with added note, undated; 3 ALS to Blumenfeld, 1915-1935.

Glyn, Elinor Sutherland. 7 ALS to Blumenfeld, undated.

Container 1.3

Haggard, Henry Rider, Sir, 1856-1925. 3 ALS to Blumenfeld, 1904-1910.

**Container** 1.1

Hawkins, Anthony Hope, Sir, 1863-1933. 2 ALS to Blumenfeld, 1900.

Irving, Henry, Sir, 1838-1905. 2 ALS to Blumenfeld, 1872, undated.

Lucas, Edward Verrall, 1868-1938. ALS, TLS to Blumenfeld, 1935, undated.

Lutyens, Edwin L., 3 signed pencil sketches, 1929-1932; TNS to Blumenfeld, 1925.

Marsh, Edward Howard, Sir, 1872-1953. ALS to Blumenfeld, undated.

Container 1.4

Maugham, William Somerset, 1874- . ALS to Blumenfeld, undated.

Parkhurst, G. 3 ALS to Blumenfeld, 1915.

Pinero, Arthur Wing, Sir, 1855-1934. TLS to Editor of The Daily Mail (Blumenfeld), 11 September 1900.

Roberts, Lord. 12 letters to Blumenfeld, 1904-1913; ALS to Gwynne, 1908.

Container 1.5

Seaman, Owen, Sir, 1861-1936. 7 ALS, 1910-1927.

**Container** 1.4

Seton, Ernest Thompson, 1860-1946. ALS to Blumenfeld, 1925.

Stacpoole, Henry de Vere, 1863-. 25 letters to Blumenfeld, 1907-1919, undated.

Container 1.6

Stanley, Henry M. ALS to Blumenfeld, 1892.

Container 1.4

Sutro, Alfred, 1863-1933. ALS to Blumenfeld, 21 February no year.

Swinnerton, Frank Arthur, 1884- . ALS to Blumenfeld, 1922.

Terry, Ellen, Dame, 1848-1928. ANS to unidentified editor, 1906.

Walpole, Hugh, 1884-1941. 2 ALS to Blumenfeld, 1937-1938.

Watson, William, Sir, 1858-1935, ALS to Blumenfeld, undated.

Zangwill, Israel, 1864-1926. TLS to Blumenfeld, 1914.

## **Explanatory Note Concerning Manuscript Collections Cataloged in the Card Catalog**

Prior to 1990 when archival cataloging procedures were adopted at the Ransom Center, all manuscript collections were described in a card catalog.

#### **Organization of Collections:**

- Manuscripts for each author collection were organized into four categories:
- Works: manuscripts by the author, arranged alphabetically by title;
- Letters: the author's outgoing correspondence, arranged alphabetically by recipient name;
- **Recipient:** the author's incoming correspondence, arranged alphabetically by the author of the letter; and
- Miscellaneous: all other manuscripts and correspondence, arranged alphabetically by creator.

Materials that did not fit into these categories, such as art, photographs, books, and near-print materials such as newspaper clippings, were dispersed to other Ransom Center collections for cataloging and storage.

#### **Abbreviations Used in Descriptions:**

The symbols below were used in combinations. For example **ALS** means autograph letter signed; **Tccms** means typed carbon copy manuscript, etc.

- $\mathbf{A}$  = autograph (i.e., handwritten)
- $\mathbf{T} = \text{typed}$
- S = signed
- I = initialed
- Ms = manuscript
- Mss = manuscripts
- L = letter
- $\bullet$  **FL** = form letter
- $\bullet$  N = note
- $\mathbf{D}$  = document
- $\mathbf{C} = \text{card}$
- PC = post card
- cc = carbon copy
- $\mathbf{p} = \text{page}$
- pp = pages
- $\bullet l = leaf$
- $\mathbf{ll}$  = leaves
- $\bullet$  **nd** = no date
- inc d = incomplete date