

# Franklin M. Reck papers, 1909-1965

## Overview of the Collection

<b>Creator</b>	Reck, Franklin M. (Franklin Mering), 1896-1965
<b>Title</b>	Franklin M. Reck papers
<b>Dates</b>	1909-1965 (inclusive) 1909 1965
<b>Quantity</b>	4.5 linear feet, (3 containers)
<b>Collection Number</b>	Ax 692
<b>Summary</b>	Franklin M. Reck (1896-1965) was an author of books for young boys. The collection includes correspondence, notebooks, and literary manuscripts for books, articles, short stories, early works, and presentations to the Ford Foundation.
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<b>Languages</b>	English
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## Historical Note

Franklin M. Reck (November 29, 1896-October 15, 1965) was born in Chicago, Illinois and is known for authoring books for boys. His first book, *Sergeant Pinky* was published shortly after World War I and related his experiences of the war. He wrote widely on transportation, including a book, *The Romance of American Transportation*, originally published in 1939, and republished in a revised edition in 1963. Reck was also associated with magazine publishing. He was with *American Boy* from 1926-1941, *Farm Journal*, and was a consultant to the Publications Department of Ford Motor Company. In 1960, Reck received a Ford Foundation grant to study 4-H type clubs in Latin America. His final book, *Stories Boys Like*, was released the day he died.

## Content Description

The Franklin M. Reck Papers include correspondence (1909-1965) and manuscripts for books, articles, short stories, and presentations to the Ford Foundation. The strength of the collection is in breadth of

years the collection covers. The collection includes early works from the author and writings from his college years. It also includes manuscripts for books, articles, short stories, and presentations to the Ford Foundation. A large part of the collection is devoted to his travels in Latin America for the Ford Grant he received to study 4-H type programs in Latin America.

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### Preferred Citation

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## Administrative Information

### Arrangement

Collection is organized into the following series:

Series: Manuscripts

Series: Correspondence

Series: Notebooks

Series: Published Books

Series: Research for *Anuario para la juventud rural de las Americas*

### Processing Note

Collection processed by processing staff, March 1970.

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

## Detailed Description of the Collection

### Manuscripts

Container(s)		Description	Dates
Box	Folder		
1	1	College writings	
1	2	<i>On Time</i> . Carbon	1948
1	3	<i>The Romance of American Transportation</i> . Printer's copy.	1963
1	4	<i>The Romance of American Transportation</i> . First edition.	1939
1	5	<i>The Romance of American Transportation</i> . Draft for revised edition.	
1	6	Notebook	1962
1	7	Press book on <i>La Juventud</i>	1960
1	8	Market facts, Inc. reports	
1	9	Daily Journal. Latin American trip.	
1	10	Proposal for Ford grant.	
1	11	A program for Ford in the world markets.	
1	12	Article and short story Mss A-L	
1	13	Article and short story Mss N-Z	
1	14	Article and short story Mss. Untitled	
1	15	Stories Boys Like	
2	1	Stories Boys Like to Read	

Container(s)	Description	Dates
2 2	<i>The Dilworth story</i>	
2 3	<i>The 4-H story</i>	
2 4	<i>Short stories</i>	
2 5	<i>Magazine article. Ms</i>	
2 6	<i>On Time draft</i>	

## Correspondence

Container(s)	Description	Dates
<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>	
2 7	<i>Association of American Rail Roads</i>	
2 8	<i>Austin Airways LTD</i>	
2 9	<i>Crowell Publishing Company</i>	
2 10	<i>Farm Journal</i>	
2 11	<i>Newberger, Richard L.</i>	
2 12	<i>True Magazine</i>	
2 13	<i>USDA Soil Conservation Service</i>	
2 14	<i>White River Air Services LTD</i>	
2 15	<i>Calkins, John</i>	1949-1965
2 16	<i>Correspondence, Outgoing</i>	1913-1965
2 17	<i>Correspondence, Outgoing, 1909-1965</i>	1909-1965
2 18	<i>Correspondence, Incoming. 1</i>	1933-1939
2 19	<i>Correspondence, Incoming. 2</i>	1948-1965

Container(s)	Description	Dates
2 20	<i>Brandt and Brandt</i>	
2 21	<i>Calkins, John</i>	1949-1965
2 22	<i>Thomas Y. Crowell Company.</i>	1935-1938, 1958
2 23	<i>Farm Journal</i>	1948-1954
2 24	<i>Hill and Knowelton</i>	
2 25	<i>Ontario Department of Travel and Publicity</i>	
2 26		

## Notebooks

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Box	Folder	
2 27	<i>Costa Rica</i>	March, 1959
2 28	<i>Chile, Peru, Colombia, Venezuela</i>	June-August
2 29	<i>Tape Record</i>	
2 30	<i>Florida trip expense record, photo catalogue</i>	
2 31	<i>Chev. Motor Division notes</i>	
2 32	<i>Brokaw, Shooting, Saline</i>	August, 1961
2 33	<i>Photograph notes</i>	1957-1959
2 34	<i>State Park Trip, Arkansas Trip</i>	July-August
2 35	<i>Mexico, Costa Rica</i>	1961
2 36	<i>Canada Road Trip</i>	
2 37	<i>White River Trip</i>	

Container(s)		Description	Dates
2	38	<i>Florida</i>	1961
2	39	<i>South America Farmer Tour</i>	1960
2	40	<i>Expenses, Canada Trip</i>	1961
2	41	<i>Washington D. C.</i>	1964
2	42	<i>New Road Trip</i>	1963
2	43		

## Published Books

Container(s)		Description	Dates
Box	Folder		
2	44	The 4-H Story	1951
2	45	One Man against the North	1940
3	1	The Dilworth Story	1955

## Research for Anuario para la juventud rural de las Americas, 1960

Container(s)		Description	Dates
Box	Folder		
3	2	<i>Captions Anuario</i>	
3	3	<i>Table of Contents</i>	1960
3	4	<i>Portuguese Stories</i>	
3	5	<i>They Learn by Doing. Pg 5-9</i>	
3	6	<i>Argentina Club Tour. Pg 10 &amp; 11</i>	
3	7	<i>Smith Quote on projects. Pg. 12</i>	

Container(s)	Description	Dates
3 8	<i>Preface- Map Info.</i>	
3 9	<i>Acknowledgement pages</i>	
3 10	<i>Acknowledgement pages. English, for U. S. distribution</i>	
3 11	<i>Acknowledgement page. Harbor side</i>	
3 12	<i>4-S Clubs are transforming Boyaca, Colombia. Pg. 13-21</i>	
3 13	<i>They are top performers training day in Dinthell. Pg. 22-26</i>	
3 14	<i>Hybrid corn demonstration, Nicaragua. Pg. 27</i>	
3 15	<i>The boy who teaches men, Brazil</i>	
3 16	<i>Youth shows the way, Chile</i>	
3 17	<i>The boy who changed his father's mind, Brazil</i>	
3 18	<i>Los manzanos grow Potatoes, Guatemala</i>	
3 19	<i>Amalio serves his town, Puerto Rico</i>	
3 20	<i>Saving on the food bill, British Honduras</i>	
3 21	<i>Town dress maker, Venezuela</i>	
3 22	<i>Mexico Turns to Youth</i>	
3 23	<i>Gardens. Pg. 41-53</i>	
3 24	<i>Hot Lunches for Pintag, Ecuador</i>	
3 25	<i>Club Nurseries are expanding, Peru, Guatemala, Paraguay</i>	
3 26	<i>How Apucarana got its farm school, Brazil</i>	
3 27	<i>Heifer project Aids Club Work</i>	
3 28	<i>Here's how national committees promote club work</i>	

Container(s)	Description	Dates
3 29	<i>Opportunity for young plantation workers, Peru</i>	
3 30	<i>Almanac Section. Pg. 75-100.</i>	
3 31	<i>Handicraft from native materials, Peru</i>	
3 32	<i>Young weavers of rugs, Bolivia</i>	
3 33	<i>El Salvadorian seamstress</i>	
3 34	<i>Basket makers of Quilon, Chile</i>	
3 35	<i>Club Work carries on a tradition, Paraguay</i>	
3 36	<i>Block printing is easy, British Guiana</i>	
3 37	<i>Try broom making, Chile</i>	
3 38	<i>Gallery of outstanding leaders, quotes C. B. Smith</i>	
3 39	<i>Peralta missionary-Paraguay, Leader</i>	
3 40	<i>Victoria Segura-Colombia, Leader</i>	
3 41	<i>Myrna Ramos-Puerto Rico, Leader</i>	
3 42	<i>Mirta de Trevia-Panama, Leader</i>	
3 43	<i>Julio Cesar Ramirez V. -El Salvador, Leader</i>	
3 44	<i>Miguel Clemente-Puerto Rico, outstanding Leader</i>	
3 45	<i>Luis R. Alvear-Ecuador, Leader</i>	
3 46	<i>Sra. Hermania Avila-Chile, Leader</i>	
3 47	<i>Carlos Jimenez-Costa Rica, Leader</i>	
3 48	<i>Carolina Lores- Peru, Leader</i>	
3 49	<i>Suggess Ctory, Poultry, Uruguay</i>	



Container(s)	Description	Dates
3 50	<i>From farm to flock poultry enterprise, Uruguay</i>	
3 51	<i>Model poultry house in Chile</i>	
3 52	<i>Poultry for El Salvador. Pg. 120</i>	
3 53	<i>Fish from their own ponds, British Guiana</i>	
3 54	<i>Breeding pays, Uruguay</i>	
3 55	<i>Maximo Lopez-livestock man, Argentina</i>	
3 56	<i>Alfredo's rabbits, El Salvador</i>	
3 57	<i>Cuba, Pg126-127</i>	
3 58	<i>Clubes Agricoles- Action is schools, Brazil</i>	
3 59	<i>A community finds health, Puerto Rico</i>	
3 60	<i>Tomorrow's Honey producers, Nicaragua</i>	
3 61	<i>Turrialba, Costa Rica</i>	
3 62	<i>Ecuador has a 4-F camp, Uruguay, Paraguay, Guatemala</i>	
3 63	<i>Cinva Ram low-cost houses with soil cement, Ecuador</i>	
3 64	<i>Cumbo rebuilds itself, Venezuela</i>	
3 65	<i>Alfonso buys a tractor, Colombia</i>	
3 66	<i>Have fun at club meetings</i>	
3 67	<i>Three historic leader conferences</i>	
3 68	<i>Heifers for Brazilian boys</i>	
3 69	<i>A world of understanding, IFYE</i>	
3 70	<i>Statistical section</i>	

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3 71	<i>Argentina-statistical</i>	
3 72	<i>Bolivia-statistical</i>	
3 73	<i>British Guiana-statistical</i>	
3 74	<i>British Honduras-statistical</i>	
3 75	<i>Brazil-statistical</i>	
3 76	<i>Chile-statistical</i>	
3 77	<i>Colombia-statistical</i>	
3 78	<i>Costa Rica-statistical</i>	
3 79	<i>Ecuador-statistical</i>	
3 80	<i>El Salvador-statistical</i>	
3 81	<i>Guatemala- statistical</i>	
3 82	<i>Haiti-statistical</i>	
3 83	<i>Honduras-statistical</i>	
3 84	<i>Jamaica-statistical</i>	
3 85	<i>Mexico-statistical</i>	
3 86	<i>Nicaragua-statistical</i>	
3 87	<i>Panama-statistical</i>	
3 88	<i>Paraguay-statistical</i>	
3 89	<i>Peru-statistical</i>	
3 90	<i>Puerto Rico-statistical</i>	
3 91	<i>Surinam-statistical</i>	

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3 92	<i>Uruguay-statistical</i>	
3 93	<i>Venezuela-statistical</i>	
3 94	<i>Cuba-statistical</i>	
3 95	<i>Canada-statistical</i>	
3 96	<i>United States-statistical</i>	
3 97	<i>Index</i>	
3 98	<i>Outside back cover copy-Anuario</i>	

## Names and Subjects

### Subject Terms :

4-H clubs--Central America

Authors, American--20th century

Children's literature, American--Authorship

Young adult literature, American--Authorship

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