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Descriptive Summary

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Abstract            James V. Cunningham (1911-1985), poet and scholar. Assistant Professor
                      of English at the University of Chicago, 1946-1952. The Papers include
                      three drafts of The Judge is Fury (1947), and an early manuscript (The
                      Beacon: Poems 1931-1940) for The Helmsman (1942). The manuscripts are
                      typescript carbon copies, with holograph corrections made by the author.

Information on Use

Access

No restrictions.

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Biographical Note

James Vincent Cunningham was born in Maryland in 1911, and was educated at Stanford
University, where he received his Ph.D. in 1945. He has taught at Stanford, the University of
Hawaii, and the University of Virginia. He was Assistant Professor of English at the University of
Chicago from 1946 until 1952 and a Professor at Brandeis University from 1953 until his 1980
retirement.

Cunningham published several volumes of poetry and a volume of collected essays. He died in
Massachusetts in 1985.

Scope Note

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1931-1940) for The Helmsman (1942). The manuscripts are typescript carbon copies, with
holograph corrections made by the author. Most of the poems have been dated by Cunningham, and on some he has also indicated where he was living at the time they were written.

Related Resources
The following related resources are located in the Department of Special Collections:

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Subject Headings
• Cunningham, J. V. (James Vincent), 1911-
• Poets

INVENTORY

Box 1
Folder 1
  The Judge is Fury, Final draft
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Folder 2
  The Judge is Fury, Second draft
Box 1
Folder 3
  The Judge is Fury, First draft
Box 1
Folder 4
  The Beacon; Poems 1931-1940. Early manuscript for The Helmsman