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Biography

Joe K. Parrish was an El Paso-based writer of Southwestern history. His subjects include the Chamizal, Mexican land grants, the Mexican Revolution, and the Apache, Tigua, and Yaqui Indian tribes. Parrish is the author of *Coffins, Cactus, and Cowboys: The Exciting Story of El Paso 1536 to the Present*.

Series Description or Arrangement

Papers are arranged by subject matter largely in the same order they were received. Oversized material is separated.

Scope and Content Notes

The Joe K. Parrish papers date 1868 – 1969, bulk 1950 – 1966. The papers consist primarily of subject files Parrish drew on for his writings. Materials include research notes, correspondence, brochures, newspaper clippings, annotated bibliographies, unpublished manuscripts, photographs, photostats, a scrapbook, an oversized map, magazine articles, postcards, negatives, and color transparencies. Topics include the history of El Paso, Apache, Tigua, and Yaqui Indians, the Chamizal, the Mexican Revolution, and ancient history.

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1	4	Baylor, George W. and John R. (1935-1963). Annotated bibliography on West Texas.	1939- 1963
1	5	Biochemistry. Notes. Annotated bibliography from newspapers, magazines. Notes on brains of humans, animals. 1966 and 1965. <i>Parade</i> , April 21, 1963. "Today's Teenager: Menace of the Highways."	1963, 1965, 1966
1	6	Caballo Mountains—Palomas Cave. Annotated bibliography and manuscript.	
1	7	Cardiff Giant (The Stone Man). Newspaper clippings (1966). <i>Times</i> (Sundial). Once exhibited in El Paso in Mesa Gardens in 1899. Found in October 18, 1869 in Syracuse, New York. A booklet <i>The True, Moral and Diverting Tale of the Cardiff Giant or the American Goliath</i> . July, 1948.	1948, 1966
1	8	Cattle, Hides and Prices (1966). Correspondence with President and with the White House.	1966
1	9	Copyright in musical composition. Music sheet— "Texas Western March" words by Joe K. Parrish, music by Jack Pytcher.	
1	10	Construction and Engineering New World. Newspaper clippings (1958). Ancient civilization booklet on "Babylon" by Mary Margaret Fuller. Annotated bibliography.	1958
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1	13	Correspondence	1957- 1959
1	14	Crawford, Captain Jack, the Poet Scout. Magazine, <i>New Mexico</i>	January 1965

1	15	Cutting Incident (1886). Notes.	1886
1	16	Fitzsimmons-Maher Fight. Annotated bibliography.	
1	17	General background.	
1	18	Geronimo Parra and Captain John R. Hughes. Article 1890 from <i>Times</i> April 18, 1890. "Murderous Thieves Shoot Down a Deputy United States Marshal." Also manuscript.	1890
1	19	Gran Quivira. Newspaper clippings regarding Gran Quivira National Monument, New Mexico and small bibliography on Gran Quivira.	
1	20	Guadalupe Mountains. Xerox copies of article on "Guadalupe Mountain Gold" small sketch and other information.	
1	21	Guadalupe Park (1965). <i>A Fact Sheet: The Guadalupe Mountain Area of Texas</i> Correspondence; annotated bibliography. Photocopy from <i>New Mexico Highway Journal</i> "Secrets of the Guadalupe" by Carl B. Livingston.	1965
1	22	History: Local history and color. New articles (<i>Times</i> August, 1947) "Etta Clark's Mansion, Once a Gay Utah Street Parlor House, Yields to Progress" and others on the destruction of old buildings to allow for new in El Paso. "Southwestern Folk Songs"—Billy the Kid, etc., "Search Still Continues for Lost Padre Mine" (one of oldest mysteries in U.S.). City Marshal—Dallas Stoudenmire in 1881. Magazine <i>El Paso County</i> Centennial Museum December 1-3, 1950 (2 copies). Information on Cornudas Mountains.	1947, 1950
1	23	Jones, Captain Frank, Texas Ranger (1935). "The Murder of Captain Jones by Notorious Bosque Gang in San Elizario on June 30, 1893." Photostat copy of newspaper in <i>El Paso Daily Times</i> . Short notes on Jones and a Photostat copy of <i>El Paso Times</i> , November 13, 1950—"Ed Arten, Retired El Paso Railroad Man, Recalls Work as a Ranger, Gambler in Early Day West."	1935, 1950
1	24	Kipper, John (Sergeant) 1900-1901. Photostat of 1900 <i>El Paso Daily Herald</i> , Saturday, February 17, 1900. "This Morning's Startling Tragedy... A Crowd of Negro Soldiers from Fort Bliss Storm the Station House and One of Them is Killed." Also notes of the incident on sheets and one notecard.	1900
1	25	Land grants—notes for stories. Manuscript: The Fantastic Lawyers' War Over Presidio County" by J. Kittrell Parrish.	

1	26	La Nacha—Border Narcotics Queen newspaper Clippings and notes. Annotated bibliography taken from Haldeen Braddy. <i>Times and Herald</i> .	1943-1966
1	27	McGinty Club (McGinty Cannon). Photostats of newspaper articles. 1894 and 1895 and 1952. Notes included. "The McGinty Club" by Captain Jack Crawford the Poet Scout.	1894, 1895, 1952
1	28	Machinery. Articles from <i>Fate</i> booklet. 1957 and 1956. Article from <i>Berkeley Daily Gazette</i> Tuesday, December 30, 1958—"Solar System Model 2000 Years Old" by John Barbour and a letter of correction	1956, 1957, 1958
1	29a	<i>The Maldeen Breeze</i> . Magazine type booklets. 1944 and 1943 wartime put out for soldiers at Maldeen Army Air Field, Missouri.	1943, 1944
1	29b	<i>The Maldeen Breeze</i> . Continued. Also, <i>A Short Narration by Private First Class Joe K. Parrish</i> . An issue of <i>G.I. Galley</i> from New York, New York, January 1945. Copies in newspaper form. 1944.	1944, 1945
1	30	Medicine. Manuscript on present and past devices of ancient civilization.	
1	31	Mining and Metallurgy. Articles from <i>Fate</i> , June 1961, also manuscript on ancient civilizations.	1961
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1	33	Tom Mix—Deputy Sheriff. Article from magazine on Charles H. Thompkins, correspondence and annotated manuscript. "Census Record Year 1880" of Cameron County and map included. Notes on Tom Mix correspondence from 1965-1966.	1880, 1965-1966
1	34	"Amazing Achievements of the Ancient World." Manuscript by J. K. Parrish. 20 pages.	
1	35	Miscellaneous. "America's Mysterious Monsters from Hell." By J. K. Parrish, 18 pgs.	
1	36	Manuscripts "Gunfight at the Manning Saloon" and "We Search for the Goatman's Gold." 3 photos. Dallas Stoudenmire, Judge Magoffin, El Paso Street, 1882.	1882
1	37	Manuscript. "How Wes Hardin Stayed Fast on the Draw." J. K. Parrish, 2000 pgs.	
1	38	Ms. "When Wyatt Earp Tutored the Green Horn Gunmen" by J. K. Parrish. 2000 words.	
1	39	Ms. "Unique Chapel in the Desert." 7 Desert Chapel	

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1	40	Mars. Article from a magazine <i>Saga</i> , December, 1966.	1966
1	41	Mexican Grants. Lerma, La Prieta, Rancho de Ysleta, Lopez, Ynojosa. Negative 105 mm. of map grants. Also, 3 maps on fraudulent land grants of West Texas. Notes, description and details of land. Annotated bibliography	
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1	43	Miscellaneous clippings. Apache Indians, Tigua Indians, mostly on Indian customs and the west. Peter Hurd the artist excavation unearths history in Las Cruces, New Mexico (1966) <i>Times</i> , <i>El Paso Herald-Post</i> , 1959.	1959, 1966
1	44	Manuscript: Chamizal unpublished by J. K. Parrish. 11 manuscripts.	
1	45	Miscellaneous historical information. Newspaper clippings from Times and Post: Old Ysleta 1969 Mission, San Lorenzo Mission in Chihuahua, Organ Mts., Juarez Mission. Manuscript "Brief History of Mesilla" by A. J. Fountain clipping of <i>Herald-Post</i> . "John Hardin's El Paso Grave Marked" February 25, 1966 Information on landmarks. Notes <i>Ghost Stories</i> leaflets and brochures. Information on Nun Mother Maria de Jesus (Lady in Blue). Clipping 1966. <i>Times</i> , December 13, 1964, "Selman's Granddaughter Seeks to Find His Grave." Photo of Leon C. Metz and Edna Selman: clip on Calamity Jane in El Paso. "The Great Diamond Hoax." Manuscript "Short History of the District of El Paso" compiled by Lee A. Riggs 1938. Article photo on "El Paso's Browns Sent Baseball Fever High" <i>Times</i> , July 12, 1965.	1900-1969
1	46	Oddities. Notes on unusual cloud over Arizona in 1963. Article on "Visitors from Space."	1963
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1	48	Padre Mine. Notes and annotated bibliography from newspaper.	
1	49	Palomas, New Mexico (Ghost Town), map and annotated bibliography.	
1	50	Pedro (Chato) Nevarez. Bibliography and notes and some correspondence on subject.	

1	51	Yaqui Indians. 1 page of notes from "The Lone Star" 1885	January 31, 1885
1	52	Villa—Busch Treasure. Interview with Captain Henry Busch, July 18, 1964. Dogner-Busch-Villa Treasure. "American Tells Story of Finding Villa's Loot Worth Fabulous Fortune;" C. F. Degner Claims he has argument to share with Mexican Government" by Jack Turner.	1964
1	53	Treasure—San Andres Mountains. Articles taken from <i>Real West</i> January 1964. "Fabulous Treasure at Victoria Peak" by Kit Carson. Newspaper clippings Times, August, 1963 "Buried Treasure Proves Yield Fortunes in U.S." and others with correspondence between Parrish and Secretary of Treasure Dillon and Senator Anderson in 1964.	1963, 1964
1	54	Treasure of Pancho Villa. Interview with Tim D. Jong in March 1966; and notes from other sources: Haldeen Braddy's <i>Cock of the Walk</i> —Captain Emil L. Holmdahl arrested on second neutrality charge and on opening Villa's tomb and removing the head and stealing Villa's gold from Sierra Madre. Other notes on Mexican Treasure also from Pancho Villa's memoirs on how he accumulated the gold.	1966
1	55	Mss. Treasure—Organ Mountains. Notes and Manuscripts.	
1	56	Treasure—La Rue Mine. Notes from "A History of Mesilla Valley," Griggs, Geo., Mesilla, New Mexico, 1930 and El Paso Post manuscript: "The Army's Lost Gold Mine." by J. K. Parrish.	1930
1	57	Treasure—Miscellaneous. Notes and clippings. Maximilian Treasure (1966). Correspondence—Department of Development State of New Mexico (1900) "The Realization of a Dream" of buried treasure. Photos from Bill Selman and Parrish of supposed gold mine; references to buried treasure.	1900, 1969
1	58	Treasure—Mexico. Clippings— <i>El Paso Herald-Post</i> December 22, 1909. "Christmas Camp Fire Tales of the Hidden Treasure of Sierra Madre." Clippings from the Times Treasure, Mexico—Ojo Diablo. Interviews with various people. <i>Mexico Treasure</i> told by Cervantes 3/4/64. Interview with Richard Laiche 3/11/64.	1909, 1964
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2	64	Sailing, shipbuilding, navigation. From ancient civilization— annotated bibliography on "Astronomical Theory and Historical Data" "Ancient Mariners," "Life of Greece."	
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2	68	Reference material. Southwestern Literature. "A Regional Bibliography."	
2	69	Rangers, Rebels, and Redskins. Notes and agreement between Joe Parrish and Frank Arrufat regarding publishing of book <i>Historical Stories of the Southwest</i> .	
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2	73	Photographs. Inscriptions on rocks and book on <i>Amateur Scribe</i> .	
2	74	Photostatic copy. <i>Montezuma Weekly Times</i> vols. 1 and 2, December 14, 1868. Published in El Paso by A. H. French.	1868
2	75	El Paso County Centennial Celebration. 3 copies.	1950
2	76	Miscellaneous. Leaflets: <i>Boot Hill, Tombstone, Calamity Jane</i> .	

Map Case Drawer #16	_____	Photos and negatives. 2 packs of dry mounting tissue. Approximately 21. Also, prints from Fusselman Canyon, Mount Franklin Peak, 1959.	1959
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