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SERVOS, Launcelot Cressy (1879-1969). Author/Composer.

Originals, 1847-1963. 90 cm. Finding Aid No. 1216.

Launcelot Cressy Servos has been known as a writer, a golfer and an antiquarian. In 1898, he laid out and constructed the first golf course of Miami, Florida. He wrote a syndicated column on golf for various newspapers and, in the 1930's, was acknowledged as the leading Canadian authority on golf.

Servos authored several books and dramatic operas. He also owned the original manuscript of the "Golden Dog", written by William Kirby.

The Servos papers have been bequeathed to the Public Archives by Launcelot Cressy Servos and received in 1978 through the office of the Public Trustee, Ministry of the Attorney General, Ontario.

The finding aid No. 1216 is a file list.

Manuscript Material, n.d., 1920-1962. 50 cm (volumes 1-3).
Includes various manuscripts and operatic dramas written by L.C. Servos.

General, n.d., 1878-1962. 30 cm (volumes 3-4).
Includes newspaper clippings, miscellaneous items, some correspondence, and a diary.

Personal, n.d., 1847-1963. 10 cm (volume 5).
Correspondence and personal items including a marriage certificate for his mother, a copy of his last will and testament, and two letters from W.L. Mackenzie King.

Photographs have been transferred to the National Photography Collection.

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<u>Vol.</u>	<u>Manuscripts</u>	<u>Dates</u>
1	Abel Ambrose - Golfer Extraordinary: by L. C. Servos.	1950
	Bigmouth - The Great Chief of the Iroquois: by L. C. Servos.	n.d.
	Builders of an Empire: by L. C. Servos.	n.d.
	Builders of an Empire: music by Don Sebastian d'Estrilla.	n.d.
	Builders of an Empire: vocal score by by L. C. Servos and music by Don Sebastian d'Estrilla, 1921. There is also a letter written to Vida Peene from L. C. Servos telling her about the vocal score for Builders of an Empire.	1962
2	Builders of an Empire: radio production by L. C. Servos, music by Don Sebastian d'Estrilla.	1921
	Builders of an Empire: orchestra instrumenta- tion by L. C. Servos, music by Don Sebastian d'Estrilla. (4 files).	1921
	Frontenac and the Maid of the Mist (actual title is They Laid the Foundation): operatic drama by L. C. Servos.	n.d.
	The Golden Dog: by William Kirby - aierial drama by L. C. Servos.	n.d.
	He Also Built: operatic drama by L. C. Servos, music by Don Sebastian d'Estrilla.	1920
	He Also Built: small orchestration by L. C. Servos, music by Don Sebastian d'Estrilla.	1920

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2 (cont'd)	He Also Build: music by Don Sebastian d'Estrilla.	1920
3	They Laid the Foundation: operatic drama by L.C. Servos.	1920
	Laura Secord: operatic drama by L. C. Servos	1924
	Madelaine of Vercheres: operatic drama by L.C. Servos, music by Don Sebastian d'Estrilla.	1930
	Madelaine of Vercheres: operatic drama by L. C. Servos, music by Hubert Shorsé	n.d.
	The Professional Golfer: by L. C. Servos	1923
	Thomas Dongan - Governor of New York: by L. C. Servos	n.d.
	Words and music for miscellaneous songs	n.d.
General		
	Diagrams in pencil - reproductions for a special stage design of Niagara Falls for one of his plays.	n.d.
	Miscellaneous: Empty envelopes, receipts, blank music sheets, and newspaper clippings	1921, 1930, 1934, 1945-46, 1949, 1952-54, 1956, 1958-59, 1962
4	Miscellaneous: Newspaper clippings, photographs and correspondence (File # 1)	1906, 1925-59
	Miscellaneous: Newspaper clippings, photographs and correspondence (File # 2)	1906, 1925-59
	Miscellaneous: Newspaper clippings, photographs and correspondence (File # 3)	1906, 1925-59
	Diary: Newspaper clippings, photographs, correspondence, etc. This material mostly concerns L. C. Servos as a professional golfer and a golf instructor. Also, there is a pamphlet depicting the Servos family, produced by the Lundy's Lane Historical Society	1878-1929

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	Personal	
5	Correspondence:	
	Letter from the Reichbank in Berlin Germany, regarding Mark loans.	1936
	Letter from the Rodale Press regarding cancellation of agreement between them and L. C. Servos concerning the publication "Practical Instructions in Golf" - Also included are two copies of contracts.	1953
	Library of Congress - Certificates of Registration for claims to the Renewal of Copyrights for various literary works written by L. C. Servos. Also included are index cards from the Library of Congress.	1946-47, 1950-51, 1954
	Correspondence from Patent and Copyrights office in Ottawa, for the copyrights of various material written by L.C. Servos.	1919-21, 1923
	Letter from Patent and Copyrights office in Ottawa, stating that they need the registration numbers of various copyrights in order to record them. This concerns L. C. Servos' cousin, Courtenay Barber.	1947
	House insurance with the Economical Mutual Insurance Company.	1950, 1953, 1956, 1959, 1962
	An agreement between the Canadian National Exhibition in Toronto and L. C. Servos owner of the original manuscript "The Golden Dog", for placing it on exhibition.	1947
	Letter from Charles Edison, son of Thomas A. Edison, thanking L. C. Servos for the copy of his book "Practical Instructions in Golf".	1940
	Letter from W. L. Mackenzie King to Mrs. Hannah Servos, mother of L. C. Servos, thanking her for her letter and also congratulating her on having reached the "great age of 93 years".	1935

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5 (cont'd)	Letter from W. L. Mackenzie King to L. C. Servos thanking him for a copy of the drama "He Also Built".	1950
	Material from the Patent and Copyrights office in Ottawa concerning the manuscripts written by L. C. Servos. Also included are three Library of Congress index cards.	1920, 1924, 1926, 1928-30, 1938, 1956
	Letter addressed to the Under-Secretary of State in Ottawa requesting an Order-in-Council prohibiting in Canada the L. C. Page and Co., edition and other editions of "Le Chien d'Or", except those that have the sanction of William Kirby, grandson of the author, who shall be paid a proper royalty.	1919
	An official document granting L. C. Servos a Pardon for an offense he committed in 1918 for breach of a War Measures Regulation then in force.	1960
	Two provincial land tax bills for 160 acres owned by L. C. Servos	1942, 1944
	Letter to Reverend Smith, St. Marks Rectory, calling to his attention four stones that were used to mark off the location of two burial plots. Two of the stones were apparently marked wrong and L. C. Servos' father's grave is therefore not within the boundaries. L. C. Servos requested that these two stones be moved and placed so that the grave is included within the four stones. Also included are two receipts for these plots 1848.	1923
Miscellaneous		
	Marriage certificate of Hannah Servos, mother of L. C. Servos, married September 1878.	19 February, 1879
	Miscellaneous material concerning Hannah Servos: including newspaper clippings; receipts; notes; financial papers; land deeds; land assignments; Hannah Servos' last will and testament; legal papers; inventory of real and personal estate.	1847-49, 1892-93, 1896, 1901-02, 1907

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5 (cont'd)	Last will and testament of L.C. Servos. Also, Codicils to this last will and testament.	1950, 1951, 1960, 1962-63
	File concerning L.C. Servos, that was in the possession of Paul Hess, of the law firm Maloney and Hess, in Toronto. Contents concerns L.C. Servos' last will and testament.	1950-51, 1960-61