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Title: Michael Bonner Papers

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Abstract: Anne Bonner Glasscock, writing under the name Michael Bonner, published four novels of Western fiction from 1960-1966. The Papers contain outlines, characterizations, typescripts with annotations and revisions, and select galleys for the novels: *Kennedy's Gold*(1960); *The Iron Noose*(1961); *The Shadow of a Hawk*(1963); and *The Disturbing Death of Jenkin Delaney*(1966).

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Biography/History

Elizabeth Anne Bonner was born on February 19, 1924 in Dallas, Texas to Thomas and Annabelle (Newman) Bonner. She graduated from the University of Texas in 1944. In 1946, she married Raymond Kerns Glasscock. They had two children, Margaret and David. A Sacramento, California resident from 1953-1981, she worked for several years as director of Episcopal Community Services at St. Paul's Center.

Writing under the name Michael Bonner, she published four books of Western fiction. Her first novel, *Kennedy's Gold*, was published in 1960. Then followed *The Iron Noose* in 1961, *Shadow of the Hawk* in 1963, and *The Disturbing Death of Jenkin Delaney* in 1966. She later published a book of poetry, *Renaissance*.

She chose to write Western fiction because of "a life-long interest in the history of the westward movement in this country and a belief that this was one of the most vital factors in our national development. Also, a western is a good framework in which to demonstrate the eternal tension between order and lawlessness, good and evil; its dramatic possibilities are boundless."

Glasscock died on October 27, 1981.

Sources:

"Anne Bonner Glasscock." *Contemporary Authors*. Vols. 1-4. First Revision. Eds. James M. Ethridge and Barbara Kopala. Detroit: Gale Research Company, 1967. p. 373

"Elizabeth Bonner Glasscock." *Sacramento Bee*, October 29, 1981.

Scope and Content

The Papers contain outlines, characterizations, typescripts with annotations and revisions, and select galleys for her four novels: *Kennedy's Gold*(1960); *The Iron Noose*(1961); *The Shadow of a Hawk*(1963); and *The Disturbing Death of Jenkin Delaney*(1966). Also included are notes for two talks that she gave: one on the writing process and one to a sixth grade class.

The Papers consist of one series: Writings.

Indexing Terms

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Series 1. Writings ca. 1959-1966

Scope and Content Note

Arranged alphabetically by title.

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Box 1:2 *The Disturbing Death of Jenkin Delaney*, incomplete outline
Box 1:3 *The Disturbing Death of Jenkin Delaney*, rough draft outline
Box 1:4 *The Disturbing Death of Jenkin Delaney*, outline
Box 1:5 *The Disturbing Death of Jenkin Delaney*, final draft outline
Box 1:6-33 *The Disturbing Death of Jenkin Delaney*, drafts
Box 1:34 *The Disturbing Death of Jenkin Delaney*, manuscript
Box 1:35 *The Disturbing Death of Jenkin Delaney*, proof set
Box 1:36-38 *The Disturbing Death of Jenkin Delaney*, page proofs
Box 1:39 *The Disturbing Death of Jenkin Delaney*, final galley proofs
Box 1:40 *Iron Noose*, first draft
Box 1:41 *Iron Noose*, revisions
Box 1:42-44 *Iron Noose*, final manuscript
Box 1:45 *Iron Noose*, proof set
Box 1:46 *Iron Noose*, galley proofs
Box 2:1 *Kennedy's Gold*, beginning draft
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Box 2:3 *Kennedy's Gold*, second draft
Box 2:4 *Kennedy's Gold*, third draft
Box 2:5 *Kennedy's Gold*, working draft
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Box 2:9-12 *Shadow of a Hawk*, drafts
Box 2:13 *Shadow of a Hawk*, manuscript
Box 2:14 *Shadow of a Hawk*, final manuscript
Box 2:15 *Shadow of a Hawk*, proof set
Box 2:16 Sixth Grade Talk, notes
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Box 2:18 [Writing Process talk], notes