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Biography

Born on December 16, 1928, in Chicago, science fiction writer Philip Kindred Dick was the author of 35 books and six collections of short stories, most dealing with the nature of reality. Dick received the Hugo Award in 1962 for *The Man in the High Castle*, a fantasy novel about Hitler winning World War II. His anti-drug novel, *Flow My Tears, the Policeman Said*, won the Campbell Memorial Award in 1974. The movie *Blade Runner* was based on Dick's 1968 novel, *Do Androids Dream of Electric Sheep?*. Philip Dick died of heart failure following a stroke, on March 2, 1982.

Scope and Content

The bulk of the collection consists of correspondence from Dick to his publisher, Doubleday and Company, concerning the publication of his novels and stories. Also included are one letter by Ursula K. LeGuin and a few letters by Dick's collaborator Roger Zelazny, as well as several letters by others. Literary manuscripts by Dick include the outline and part of a draft of the novel *Flow My Tears, the Policeman Said* (HM 53576) and a fragment (page 23) of an unidentified novel (HM 53577).

The papers are in excellent condition. All are originals, except for two xerox copies: Dick's outline for his novel *Deus Irae* (FAC 1280) and Fred Zackel's plot summary for the novel *Cocaine and Blue Eyes* (FAC 1281).

- Dick, Philip Kindred: 3 literary manuscripts (FAC 1280, HM 53576-53577); and 56 letters.
- Dick, Philip Kindred: a series of 53 letters to Doubleday and Company (1967-1977) concerning the publication of his books and stories. HM 53578-53630.
- LeGuin, Ursula Kroeber: postcard (1974, February 4) to Philip K. Dick expressing her admiration for his writing. HM 53634.