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Folder 7: Letters

A.L.s. Chas. W. Gardner to ESG,
November 22, 1908.
A.L.s. Elisabeth to ESG, January 9, 1909.
A.L.s. Helen to ESG, May 31, 1909.
A.L.s. Helen to ESG, June 4, 1909.
A.L.s. Fem to ESG, July 12, 1909.
A.L.s. Helen to ESG, June 11, 1909.
A.L.s Marie and Charlotte to ESG, July 15,
1909.
A.L.s. Mother to ESG, July 15, 1909.
A.L.s. H.C. Dye to ESG, January 22, 1910.
A.L.s. Elisabeth to ESG, February 24, 1910.
A.L.s. Cara to ESG, October 11, 1910.
A.L.s. Cara to ESG, January 4, 1911.
A.L.s. Cara to ESG, January 9, 1911.
A.L.s. Elisabeth to ESG, January 1911 .
A.L.s. Amelia B. Keech to ESG, January 12,
1911.
A.L.s. Cara to ESG, January 14, 1911.
A.L.s. Cara to ESG, January 18, 1911.
A.L.s. Elisabeth to ESG, January 21, 1911.
A.L.s. Cara to ESG, July 2, 1911.
A.L.s. Amelia B. Keech to ESG, July 18,
1911.
A.L.s. Helen to ESG, July 19, 1911.
A.L.s. Amelia B. Keech to ESG, July 20,
1911.
A.L.s. Cara to ESG, July 21, 1911.
A.L.s. Chas. W. Gardner to ESG, June 29,
1912.
A.L.s. Mother to ESG, June 29, 1912,
A.L.s. Mother to ESG, June 17, 1912.
A.L.s. Chas. W. Gardner to ESG and
Natalie, February 2, 1913
A.L.s. Mother to Children, February 2,
1913
T.L.s. Your Old Side Kick to ESG, August
19, 1913.
A.L.s. Box to ESG, September 4, 1913.
A.L.s. Helen to ESG, undated.
A.L.s. Elisabeth to ESG, undated.
A.L.s. Helen to ESG, undated.
AL. Your Big Sister to ESG, undated.
AL. ___ to ESG, undated.
AL. ___ to ESG, undated.
P.C.s. Elisabeth to ESG, December 31,
1908.
P.C.s.J. to ESG, August 2, 1909.
A.N.s E.E. Keech to ESG, undated.
A.N. Your Twin Sister to ESG, July 17,
1910.
A.N. Your Auntie to ESG, undated.
A.N.s. Elle to ESG, undated.
A.N.s. Helen to ESG, undated.
A.N.s. Robert Wilke to ESG, undated.
A.L.s. Erle Stanley Gardner to "Girl,"
undated.

Folder 8: Telegrams

Telegram. Mitchell and Dye to ESG, July 10
Telegram. Howard M. Legget to ESG, July 12.
Telegram. Chas. W. Gardner to ESG, January 30, 1910.
Telegram. Chas. W. Gardner to ESG, February 3, 1910.
Telegram. Mother to ESG, July 17, 1910.
Telegram. C.W. Gardner to ESG, January 18.
Telegram. A.B. Keech to ESG, July 18, 1911.
Telegram. ESG to H.F. Orr, April 4, 1965.
Copy of Telegram addressed to Robert Butler.

Folder 9: Ephemeral Materials

Page 1. a. Oroville High School 1908 commencement program. b. 4 Stanford Laundry Co. Palo Alto receipts dated October 1, 1908 – December 30, 1908.

Page 2. Theatre Program for "Arms and the Man," dated October 1908.

Page 3.

a. Name cards from Cara Mea Keech, Frau Elisabeth Wilke, Marna Keech, card with message from Spinx, note with no signature.

b. ESG name cards and receipt from Palo Alto Electrical Works.

Page 4. Grand Opera House program, Santa Ana, 1909-1910 season.

Page 5. Newspaper clipping regarding re-election of Robert Butler as principal of Oroville High School. Newspaper clipping re: Oroville High Schools' Girls Annual High Jinks Party, dated September 25, 1908.

Page 6.

a. Hornung Drug and Jewelry Co. envelope for post cards, handwritten note on back dated April 7, 1910. Envelope from Law Offices of S.W. Charles, Frederick Schneider, attorneys at law, Palo Alto, with a pencil sketch of eyeglasses and the name Mercer and Isle of ... (Mercer was a Palo Alto High School teacher).

b. The White Pass and Yukon Route purser's check stamped June 7, 1907, 1909 calendar for months of February to December.

Page 7.

a. Elmer Starr, Valparaiso, Indiana, souvenir post card envelope.

b. 2 envelopes from the Law Offices of S.W. Charles, Frederick Schneider, Attorneys at Law, Palo Alto. Both envelopes have pencil sketches. One has a sketch of a house, barn, yard, fruit trees, trees, flower garden, horse or mule drawn wagon, wagon driver and fields. The other a house with fence, trees, clothesline with laundry, well, hen with chicks, man and woman in Sunday dress, and a small child in front.

Page 8. Notes with pencil sketches of stick people having conversations, addition. Pencil sketch of ship with smokestacks, notes regarding Chico's delegates, possible debate notes.

Page 9. Notes, History repeats itself, typed "Variety is the spice of life. Give me Cayenne pepper."

Page 10. Typed notes re: courtesy as a possible way to get to the top, overcome obstacles with flattery.

Page 11. Western Union Telegraph Co. Envelope addressed to ESG c/o E.E. Keech, envelope addressed to E.E. Keech. Envelope with note dated April 11, 1910.

Page 12. Vandermast and Son receipt, Santa Ana, handwritten note on back, not signed.

Page 13. Note from Dr. J.W. Wilson re: vaccination for ESG, dated September 2, 1908.

Page 14. Blue Bond notebook, circa 1908. Miscellaneous jottings regarding various school courses, arithmetical calculations, personal schedules, itemized expenses, etc. Included are two pencil sketches by ESG.

Page 15. 5 x 7 ¾ unsigned pen and ink original illustration, circa 1921.

"The man who went to the wrong berth," a possible illustration for "Nellie's Naughty

Nightie," a short story by Erle Stanley Gardner published in *Breezy Stories*, August 1921.
Page 16. Possible financial accounts or records, May 29, 1908. 2ll
Page 17. Mimeographed personal daily schedule.

Folder 10: Manuscripts

TS. Mock complaint ordering debt Hattie M. Smith to pay sums to E.S.G., note on back indicates document served on Hattie Smith by Erle Stanley Gardner, Sheriff. June 2, 1908. 2ll

TS. Mock legal paper regarding women and their wives. Handwritten note on back, undated. 2ll

TS. Typed manuscript, possible composition for schoolwork, undated. 2ll

TS. Typed notes about school and life, Palo Alto High School teacher Mercer is mentioned, undated. 3ll

TS. Typed manuscript titled "Rules; Not New Year Resolutions", undated. 1ll

TS. Typed manuscript, keep abreast of your work, etc., undated. 1ll

TS. Typed manuscript appears to be about success in life. These papers are typed on paper from the law offices of S.W. Charles, Frederick Schneider, Attorneys at Law, Palo Alto. (E.S.G. had an after-school job typing legal papers for a law firm in Palo Alto. He attended high school in Palo Alto in 1908.) undated. 3ll

TS. Typed manuscript refers to legal terms, quasi-contract, statutory crimes, typed on paper from law offices of S.W. Charles, Frederick Schneider, Attorneys at Law, Palo Alto. (E.S.G. had an after-school job typing papers for a law firm in Palo Alto. He attended high school in Palo Alto in 1908.) undated. 1ll

TS. Typed manuscript refers to life as it is. This manuscript is also typed on paper from the offices of S.W. Charles, Frederick Schneider, Attorneys at Law, Palo Alto. (E.S.G. had an after-school job typing papers for a law firm in Palo Alto. He attended high school in Palo Alto in 1908.) undated. 3ll

TS. Typed poem about an attorney, author unknown. Handwritten note indicates typist is practicing on new typewriter, note initialed C.K., possibly Cara Keech. Heading on paper is Gates Iron Works, company has many offices listed. undated. 2ll

TS. "James J. Jimpson, Witch Killer" is a story about a boy who leaves home and opens an office in a small town, saves the townspeople from a witch, and gets back home before his parents return home from Europe. (Possible schoolwork) undated. 5ll

MS. Handwritten legal notes, possible accounts for clients, undated. 3ll

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Folder 11: News Clippings

Oxnard Press-Worrier Extra, Volume 38, Number 272, Oxnard CA., Tuesday, May 21, 1946.
Headline re: Erle Stanley Gardner.

"Perry Mason creator was local lawyer." *Looking Back, Vista*, Sunday, Dec 4, 1983, pp. 13, 14.