



## **Betty Swallow Collection**

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### **Betty Swallow Collection Inventory**

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#### Box One

- 1) June 23, 1937
  - a. One typescript, 7 pages long
  - b. Original letter
    - i. 4 pages, single spaced, one sided
    - ii. Typewritten, with a hand written post script
- 2) September 8, 1937
  - a. One typescript, 7 pages long
  - b. Original letter
    - i. 3 pages, single spaced, one sided
    - ii. Typewritten
- 3) June 9, 1938
  - a. One typescript, 9 pages long
  - b. Original letter—VERY FRAGILE
    - i. 6 pages, single spaced, one sided
    - ii. Typewritten—ink badly faded
- 4) July 21, 1938
  - a. One typescript, 12 pages long
  - b. Original letter—VERY FRAGILE
    - i. 8 pages, single spaced, one sided
    - ii. Typewritten, with hand written PS and PSS
- 5) September 2, 1938
  - a. One typescript, 12 pages long
  - b. Original letter—VERY FRAGILE
    - i. 8 pages, single spaced, one sided
    - ii. Typewritten, with hand written PS and PSS
- 6) November 1938
  - a. One typescript, 7 pages long
  - b. Original letter
    - i. 5 pages, single spaced, one sided
    - ii. Typewritten
  - c. Original envelope in file
    - i. “About Chamberlain’s Peace” handwritten on reverse
- 7) November 1938
  - a. One typescript, 5 pages long
  - b. Original letter

- i. 3 pages, single spaced, one sided
    - ii. Typewritten
- 8) November 24, 1939
  - a. One copy of original, 3 pages
  - b. Original letter
    - i. 3 page, single spaced, one sided
    - ii. Typewritten
- 9) January, 1939 or 1940
  - a. One typescript, 9 pages long
  - b. Original letter—VERY FRAGILE
    - i. 6 pages, single spaced, one sided
    - ii. Typewritten
- 10) January 11, 1940
  - a. One typescript, 7 pages long
  - b. Original letter—FRAGILE
    - i. 5 pages, single spaced, one sided
    - ii. Typewritten, with hand written PS
  - c. Original envelope in file
- 11) March 7, 1940
  - a. No typescript
  - b. Original letter—VERY FRAGILE
    - i. 4 pages (various sizes of paper), single spaced, one sided
    - ii. Typewritten
- 12) April 10, 1940
  - a. No typescript
  - b. Original letter—VERY FRAGILE
    - i. 5 pages (on scrap paper), single spaced, one sided
    - ii. Typewritten
- 13) May 8, 1940
  - a. No typescript
  - b. Original letter—VERY FRAGILE
    - i. 6 pages, single spaced, one sided
    - ii. Typewritten
- 14) May 30, 1940
  - a. No typescript
  - b. Original letter
    - i. 5 pages, single spaced, one sided
    - ii. Typewritten with handwritten PS
- 15) July 10, 1940
  - a. No typescript
  - b. Original letter
    - i. 5 pages, single spaced, double sided
    - ii. Typewritten, with handwritten notations in margins
- 16) June 19, 1940
  - a. No typescript
  - b. Original letter

- i. 3 pages, single spaced, double sided
    - ii. Typewritten, with handwritten note in header on page 1
  - c. Original envelope in file
- 17) June 19, 1940—FALL OF FRANCE
  - a. No typescript
  - b. Original letter
    - i. 1 page, single spaced, double sided
  - c. Typewritten
- 18) August 9, 1940
  - a. No typescript
  - b. Original letter
    - i. 1 page, single spaced, double sided
    - ii. Typewritten
- 19) August 24, 1940
  - a. No typescript
  - b. Original letter
    - i. 4 pages, single spaced, double sided
- 20) September 26, 1940
  - a. Old typescript that looks like it could be an original document
  - b. Original letter
    - i. 2 pages typed (legal size), single spaced, double sided, 3<sup>rd</sup> page handwritten
    - ii. Typewritten except for final page
- 21) October 16, 1940
  - a. 4 typescripts
    - i. 1<sup>st</sup>=7 pages long
    - ii. 2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>=3 pages long each
  - b. Original letter—FRAGILE
    - i. 3 pages, single spaced, double sided
    - ii. Typewritten
- 22) November 15, 1940
  - a. 2 typescripts—2 pages long
  - b. Original letter
    - i. 2 pages, single spaced, double sided
    - ii. Typewritten on “Great Western Railway” stationery
- 23) December 21, 1940
  - a. Three typescripts
    - i. 1<sup>st</sup>=4 pages long
    - ii. 2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup>=2 pages long
  - b. Original letter
    - i. 4 pages, typed on scrap paper—3<sup>rd</sup> page “Great Western Railway stationery”—4<sup>th</sup> page on memorandum paper
  - c. Original envelope in file
    - i. Side has been sealed with a sticker that reads “Opened by/ Examiner 4469”

- 24) February 8, 1941
- a. One typescript, 3 pages long
  - b. Original letter
    - i. 5 pages—1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> single spaced and one sided; 3<sup>rd</sup>—5<sup>th</sup> pages double spaced and one sided (may not be original)
    - ii. Typewritten
- 25) March 6, 1941
- a. No typescript
  - b. Original letter
    - i. 3 pages on “Great Western Railway” stationery, single spaced, double sided
    - ii. Typewritten, with handwritten PS
- 26) May 5, 1941
- a. No typescript
  - b. Original letter
    - i. 4 pages—1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> on “Great Western Railway” stationery, single spaced, double sided; 4<sup>th</sup> page handwritten on plain paper
    - ii. Pages 1-3 typewritten, page 4 and PS handwritten
  - c. Original envelope in file—VERY FRAGILE
- 27) August 17, 1941—Swallow diagnosed with TB
- a. One typescript, 2 pages long
  - b. Original letter
    - i. 3 pages, one sided
    - ii. Handwritten in pen
- 28) November 15, 1941
- a. One typescript, 5 pages long
  - b. Original letter
    - i. 3 pages, double sided
    - ii. Handwritten in pencil
  - c. Original envelope in file
- 29) December 30, 1941
- a. One typescript, 4 pages
  - b. Original letter
    - i. 2 pages—1<sup>st</sup> page folded in half so that 4 sides are written on; 2<sup>nd</sup> page double sided
    - ii. Handwritten in pencil
  - c. Original envelope enclosed
- 30) March 6, 1942
- a. One typescript, 6 pages long
  - b. Original letter
    - i. 2 pages, single spaced, double sided
    - ii. Typewritten on “Great Western Railway” stationery
  - c. Original envelope in file
    - i. Sealed with sticker that reads “OPENED BY/EXAMINER 4951”
- 31) July 11, 1942
- a. One typescript, 8 pages long

- b. Original letter
    - i. 3 pages, single spaced, double sided
    - ii. Typewritten
  - c. Original envelope in file
    - i. Sealed with sticker that reads “Opened By/Examiner 1593”
- 32) November 20, 1942
- a. One typescript, 4 pages long
  - b. Original letter
    - i. 1 pages, single spaced, double sided
    - ii. Typewritten on “Great Western Railway” stationery
  - c. Original envelope in file
    - i. Sealed with sticker that reads “opened by/examiner/4638”
- 33) May & July 1943
- a. No typescript
  - b. Original letters (2)
    - i. 1<sup>st</sup> letter—2 pages, single spaced, double sided
      - 1. typewritten on “Great Western Railway” stationery
    - ii. 2<sup>nd</sup> letter—2 pages, single spaced, double sided
      - 1. typewritten on “Great Western Railway” stationery
      - 2. page 1 has been censored
  - c. 3 original envelopes in file
    - i. One marked “Go Great Western” and sealed with a sticker that reads “opened by/examiner 5255”
- 34) February 1945—May 1946
- a. No typescript
  - b. Original letters (8)
    - i. 1<sup>st</sup> letter, May 28, 1946—1 page, double sided
      - 1. handwritten
    - ii. 2<sup>nd</sup> letter, 1945—3 pages, single spaced, double sided except pg. 1
      - 1. typewritten, pages 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> on “Great Western Railway” stationery
    - iii. 3<sup>rd</sup> letter, 1946—5 pages, single spaced, one sided
      - 1. typewritten on “Great Western Railway” stationery
    - iv. 4<sup>th</sup> letter, 1946—3 pages, single spaced, one sided
      - 1. typewritten on “Great Western Railway” stationery
    - v. 5<sup>th</sup> letter, February, 1945—3 pages, single spaced, one sided
      - 1. typewritten on “Great Western Railway” stationery
    - vi. 6<sup>th</sup> letter, 1946—3 pages, single spaced, one sided
      - 1. typewritten on “Great Western Railway” stationery
    - vii. 7<sup>th</sup> letter, August, 1945—4 pages, single spaced, one sided
      - 1. typewritten on “Great Western Railway” stationery
    - viii. 8<sup>th</sup> letter, April, 1946—3 pages, single spaced, one sided
      - 1. typewritten on “Great Western Railway” stationery
  - c. 6 original envelopes in file

35) September 1946—December 1950

- a. No typescript
- b. Original letters (8<sup>th</sup>)
  - i. 1<sup>st</sup> letter—Sept. 28, 1946; 4 pages, one sided
    1. handwritten on notebook paper
  - ii. 2<sup>nd</sup> letter—March 24, 1947; 2 pages, single spaced, double sided
    1. typewritten on “Great Western Railway” stationery
  - iii. 3<sup>rd</sup> letter—May 10, 1949; 3 pages, single spaced, one sided
    1. typewritten on “Great British Railways” stationery
  - iv. 4<sup>th</sup> letter—Christmas card with handwritten signature and note; “Southport, England./1947.”
  - v. 5<sup>th</sup> letter—December 17, 1950, Christmas card, note on back
  - vi. 6<sup>th</sup> letter—September, 24, 1949; post card book from Ireland with handwritten note
  - vii. 7<sup>th</sup> letter—Christmas card with handwritten note, “Best wishes &/thanks—always./Betty,” “England/1946”
  - viii. 8<sup>th</sup> letter—August 18, 1969; returned note from Helen Bradley
- c. 6 original envelopes in file

36) Miscellaneous typescripts

37) Bradley Correspondence

- a. No typescript
- b. Original letters (2)
  - i. 1<sup>st</sup> letter—August 9, 1940; 2 pages, handwritten note from Philip Dyman requesting Swallow’s address
  - ii. 2<sup>nd</sup> letter—August 6, 1941; 1 page, single spaced, one sided regarding reading the letters on the “War Letters” program
    1. typewritten on “Gilmore War Letters” stationery
    2. original envelope in file

38) Swallow Pictures (1939-1949)

- a. May 15, 1941; “This is Mum and me in our Garden”
- b. May 10, 1949; Swallow and group of girls
- c. Photo of Swallow
- d. Photo of Swallow and sister-in-law; “This is me and my sister-in-law among the Cornish heather and bracken. Looks quite peaceful, doesn’t it?”
- e. May 15, 1941; “This is me, my brother and his wife taken at Richmond, just before I went away to the San. I’d lost a stone and I look terrible!”
- f. Marcy 24, 1947; photo of Swallow
- g. 1941; “This looks like the answer to the question ‘I wonder how I look when I’m asleep?’ Snapped by my brother, while I was taking a nap.”
- h. 1946; “This isn’t a very good snap, but I thought you might like to have it. The film has a paper negative & isn’t any too clear & I look worn out & sour, also the English climate doesn’t help!”
- i. 1941; “This was taken in Cornwall last year it is with my sister in law but the printing isn’t too good. I wasn’t feeling any too good, and I look quite fed up!”

- j. Sept. 1944; photo of Swallow
- k. Picture postcard of Swallow
- l. Postcard from St. Malo
- m. Postcard from Gwithian
- n. Picture post card; war declaration
- o. Jan. 1946; picture postcard of Swallow and friend in grass skirts
- p. May 10, 1949; photo of Swallow and unidentified man
- q. Picture post card of Swallow and sister-in-law
- r. Photo of Swallow and soldier

Box 2

- 1) "Dispatches from the London Front"—senior thesis by David White
- 2) Chronology of Swallow's illness and changing residence
  - a. Compiled by Joel Starr, June 1982
- 3) Original Swallow envelopes
  - a. Folder marked "Item # 1087"
    - i. 2 original Swallow envelopes—VERY FRAGILE
    - ii. Envelope from Bradley to WCM&L
  - b. Swallow envelopes, 1937
    - i. Christmas card signed by Swallow, marked "London Eng./1937."
    - ii. 3 original envelopes
  - c. Swallow envelopes, 1938
    - i. Christmas card signed by Swallow, marked "London/England/1938."
    - ii. 3 original envelopes
  - d. Swallow envelopes 1939
    - i. Patriotic Christmas card signed by Swallow, marked "London: England/Xmas. 1939."
    - ii. 2 original envelopes
  - e. Swallow envelopes 1940
    - i. 11 original envelopes
      - 1. 4 envelopes have been opened and resealed with a sticker by censors
- 4) Swallow Newspaper Clippings
  - a. 22 clippings, mostly regarding WWII, which Swallow enclosed in her letters
  - b. Original envelope, sealed with a sticker marked "OPENED BY/EXAMINER 6914"