



## The Way it Wasn't: From the Files of James Laughlin (Hardback)

By James Laughlin

New Directions Publishing Corporation, United States, 2007. Hardback. Book Condition: New. 236 x 180 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book. With an accent on humor, The Way It Wasn't is a scrapbook loaded with ephemera letters and memories, clippings and photographs. This richly illustrated album glitters like a magpie's nest, if a magpie could have known Tennessee Williams, W.C. Williams, Merton, Miller, Stein, and Pound. In C : I wish that nice Jean Cocteau were still around. He took me to lunch at the Grand Vefours in the Palais-Royal and explained all about flying saucers. He understood mechanical things. He would advise me. In P : There was not much gracious living in Pittsburgh, where at one house, the butler passed chewing gum on a silver salver after coffee. And: The world is full of a large number of irritating people. In H there's Lillian Hellman: What a raspy character. When I knocked at her door to try to borrow one of her books (hoping to butter her up) she only opened her door four inches and said words to the effect: Fuck off, you rapist. Marketing in M : I think it's important to...

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