

Chaplain

Acc#	00.0004
CollName (Full)	Ray Robinson
ScopeNote	<p>Ray Robinson Jr. was a private in the US Army. He was sworn into the Army in May 1942 and served in both England and France during the war with the 347th Engineers. The collection includes a series of v-mails to his parents and his sister. He mostly talked about his family and things he thought to be odd in England. He tells how England is different from the US e.g., weather, pounds instead of dollars, and driving on the left side of the road. He also references blackouts, C & K rations, and seeing the Queen. There was very little mention of his jobs or duties, except for a single instance of returning to the rifle range. One of the V-mails is censored. The collection also includes a v-letter from the Chaplain of the 347th Engineers to Pvt. Robinson's mother in which he stresses the importance of encouragement for the men from home. Pvt. Robinson wrote of plans to return to the States (Newport News) on the SS David Shanks on the 2-3 October 1945. It also includes a copy of Stars and Strips article about Colonel Harry Hulen's outfit of engineers who "hitch-hiked" from the states to England. Ray was presumably a part of this unit.</p>
Extent/Location	Gen Coll: 1 folder

Acc# 00.0556
CollName (Full) Margaret M. Long
ScopeNote This collection contains materials for two siblings, John Robert Long, who served as a Catholic chaplain in the US Navy, and Margaret Mary Long, who was a United Service Organizations (USO) hostess in Syracuse, New York. John attended Chaplains' School at William and Mary. He was inducted in July 1944 and discharged in August 1966. He served with the Seabees in California from September 1944 to November 1945 and in the Philippine Sea Frontier from November 1945 to June 1946.

The (Box 2 of 2) ½ box contains materials relevant to World War II:
"Principles and Types of Speech," War Department Education Manual
"Building Good Sentences," War Department Education Manual
"The Seabees," (undated) US Navy pamphlet
"A Brief Chronology of the Chaplain Corps United States Navy" (1983)
"The Priest goes to War," published by the Society for the Propagation of the Faith (1945)
The Chaplains' Aid Association Bulletin, September 1945
"Helpful Hints to the Navy Recruit," pamphlet from Syracuse, New York Service, Sacrifice, Loyalty: Guarding Freedom's Flame, The Story of America's Twentieth Century Overseas Veterans by Connie Clark (1992)
"Song and Service Book for Ship and Field: Army and Navy" (1942)
"ATB Photo Album: Little Creek, Virginia," Atlantic Fleet Amphibious Training Base (1945)
Color reproduction of paintings by Arthur Beaumont
The History of the Chaplain Corps, United States Navy, Volume II, by Clifford M. Drury, 1939-1945
Los Angeles U.S.O. newsletters, 1944
"Welcome to Members of the Armed Forces of the United States," National Park Service pamphlet (1945)
Coral Cryer, Ship Repair Base-Navy 3864 newspaper, January 1946
Chaplain form letters confirming attendance of mass and the receiving of communion
Postcard of US Naval Hospital, Balboa Park, San Diego, California
Newspaper clipping of WAVES swearing in
Christmas card from US Naval Receiving Station, Luzon, 1945
"Star of the Sea," Christmas Program, Little Creek, Virginia
Armstrong Seminary Commencement Announcement, July 1945
Miscellaneous postwar religious and military documents, letters, and pamphlets

The (Box 1 of 2) full box contains primarily post-World War II materials from John's service until 1966:
"The History of the Cruiser-Destroyer Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet, 1902-1966"
Third Naval District Chaplain's Newsletter, 1967 & 1970
Retired Naval Personnel Newsletter, 1970
"U.S. Navy Chaplains Program Support Guide: Fiscal Year 1985"
"Chaplains U.S. Navy, October 1968"
The Polynesian, 1963
Official US Navy photographs, including photos of a chaplain performing religious services, aircraft, and personnel
"192nd Anniversary, Navy Chaplain Corps, 1967"
Military Ordinariate Newsletter, 1944-1966
"Military Ordinariate Annual Report, 1965"
A History of Navy Chaplains Serving with the U.S. Coast Guard (1983)
"The United State Air Force Academy Cadet Chapel," pamphlet
"U.S. Navy Chaplains Corps, Bureau of Naval Personnel: Items of Interest,"

1976
 Catholic Bulletin, Smoky Hill Air Force Base, 1948
 The Gator Amphibious Force newsletter, 1948
 "Navy Editors' Manual" (1949)
 The History of the Chaplain Corps, United States Navy, Volumes 1, 4, 5, 7, & 9
 1955 reel of sound recording tape of Christmas hymns, carols, and mass
 The History of the Chaplain Corps, United States Navy: Biographies, 1972-1981, Volume 8
 Bird of Midway and Laysan Islands (1956)
 Sea Rations (1964)
 Military Travel Guide, 11th Edition (1978)
 Reader's Digest: Humor in Uniform, Jests, Jokes and Witty Anecdotes from the War Years (1969)
 "Life Insurance," War Department Education Manual
 "Art through the Ages," War Department Education Manual

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Acc# 00.0717

CollName (Full) L.A. Mitchell

ScopeNote L. A. Mitchell (Army Air Corps, 1942-1945) completed flight training in Texas and crew training in Washington state. He discusses the living conditions at each installation that he trained at and he comments on the places where his wife stayed while base-hopping with him. Mitchell was sent to England as a co-pilot in a B-17 squadron. He was made a pilot after twenty-nine missions and also served as a tail gunner on the lead airplane. He shares his impressions of the local people in England. Mitchell also talks about chaplain services available before flights and the debriefings following the completion of each mission. Mitchell was a flight instructor in Arizona and Colorado after his return to the States. He was discharged following V-E Day.

Extent/Location Gen Coll: 1 folder

Acc# 01.0171.0980

CollName (Full) Odis L.G. Chapman

ScopeNote Odis L.G. Chapman served in the Navy as a machinist's mate second class aboard the USS Boise.

The collection consists of 14 black-and-white photos (both from his time in service and afterward), letters, clippings, and identification cards. Upon honorable discharge, Chapman had achieved the rank of machinist's mate second class. The photos that are included are of his time with his family, a stop in India, and Chapman in uniform. One photo is of a four-year-old girl in front of a bonds sign. The letters are from his time aboard the cruiser USS Boise and are addressed to his sisters and his mother. There are also letters from 20 years later from a veterans' hospital.

The collection also includes the memorial record from his funeral in 1965, which includes his GED scores and diploma from 1954, a copy of his birth certificate, military discharge papers, letters of recommendation, a Veterans' Citation, and drawings done by his daughter, with most of the collection dealing with his postwar life. Also included is a letter on USS Boise stationery from the ship's chaplain to his wife on the chaplain's impression of Chapman.

Extent/Location TBC Coll: 1 folder

Acc#	01.0443
CollName (Full)	Dr. Ward J. Fellows
ScopeNote	<p>The collection of Ward J. Fellows, contains an oral history transcript of an interview provided by the Reichelt Program for Oral History. Fellows, a Congregationalist pastor in New England and graduate of Union Seminary in New York, volunteered as a chaplain in the 401st Heavy Bombardment Group in the Army Air Force, in Europe. In the interview, he talks about his childhood, attending college and seminary, starting out as a minister, hearing about the attack on 7 December 1941, chaplain training, crossing the Atlantic, counseling men in his unit, handling services before bombing raids and funerals for men who were killed, writing letters to family members of the men, V-E Day, and postwar reunions. Fellows counseled one man in his unit who was quite upset by what he experienced during a stay in Russia (he was a pilot transferring planes to Russia).</p>
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Acc# 02.0458

CollName (Full) Clarke Brandt

ScopeNote

The collection of Clarke Brandt, contains an oral history transcript. George (Bob) Caron was a tail gunner on the Enola Gay. The oral history includes Caron's eyewitness account of the bomb being dropped on Hiroshima. Also included is "War Buddies," which covers the relationship between a soldier and his canine companion through his years as a member of the US Marine Corps. "War Buddies" is written by Earle Welch and Dick Roberts.

Also included are:

"One More River to Cross"- (Lt. Cot. Ray Kubey, USAF Ret.), which details Kubey's experience with the "Dutch" underground from September 1944 to March 1945.

8th AF News; June 2002- Reunion information October 1-6, Chapel of the Fallen Eagles, Charles D. Beard Jr. Memorial Gardens.

8th AF News; March 2002- 60th anniversary of the Mighty Eighth, the Pin-up girl centerfold, Strategic Air Command Reunion.

8th AF News; December 2002- 65th General Hospital, Annual Reunion photos- Report; Straight from Jake!

8th AF News; March 2003- Max Juchheim, Fighter Ace

8th AF News; December 1998- News articles about the 8th Air Force Society, which cover the 1998 Annual Historical Society Reunion and the events and stories pertaining to the unit during WWII.

8th AF News; June 2001- Story of Robert "Rosie" Rosenthal= Rosie Riveter's Crew. Story of William Patton Jr. Heritage Museum Activities. This covers events and stories pertaining to the unit during WWII.

8th AF News; September 2001- Medicine in England. Hospitals that served the 8th Air Force. Mighty Eighth Air Force Week, October 8th-14th, Reunion 2001, October 25-28, Irving, Texas.

The Air Forces Escape: Evasion Society. Communications (Special Edition), a membership directory that includes regular members, US friends, widows of members, helpers living in the US, and Canadian friends and helpers.

"Who is to live? And Who is to die?" by LTC Clarke M. Brandt- This contains short narrations of why some military men died unexpectedly and suddenly, while others avoided death through an unusual set of circumstances.

"I am MIS" by LTC (Ret.) Clarke M Brandt and Nobuo Furuiye- The experiences of a member of the military intelligence service in the Pacific Theater of Operations (PTO) during WWII.

"Life and Memories Before, During and after WWII, 1939-1945" by Joyce Warren nee Reeman--This is the story of a young woman named Joyce who experienced the war after Germany and England declared war. From 1944 until the end of the war in Europe, Joyce worked in the canteen at the American Air Base in Lavenham, England, home of the 487th Bomb Group. She describes her experiences with the Americans.

"A Peacetime Sweetheart, A Wartime Bride" by Jean Peterson nee Myatt-Peterson tells of her college boyfriend, Howard M. Peterson, who enlisted and became a bomber pilot. She describes her engagement, marriage, and coping during the time that her husband was flying 35 missions in Europe.

"Gefreiter Fahlbusch and his Father" written by LTC (Ret.) Clarke M Brandt- A WWII story of two German prisoners of war.

"Absence Makes the Heart Grow Fonder" by Virginia R. Vandegriff nee Roberts- Vandegriff describes her daily activities as a civilian during WWII. During the war, she was married to her husband, Bob, who eventually became a POW in Austria. Her account chronicles her days as a university student, meeting her husband, and finally the declaration of war on Japan following the attack on Pearl Harbor.

"The World War II Years of Marguerite" by Marguerite Eraser nee Brouard- This book describes Marguerite Eraser nee Brouard, a citizen and resident of France during the German occupation of France, in which she details the collective efforts of her family to assist and help several downed Allied airmen to avoid capture and help them to escape to safety.

"Hide-and-Seek With The German Army (Part II)" by LTC (Ret.) Clarke M. Brandt and Richard M. Smith- This book follows all ten men of the Smith B-17 from the time it was attacked and shot down to each member of the crew returned to Allied control. Seven men were rescued by several different French underground groups and returned to England, while three gunners were seriously wounded and captured by the Germans.

"War Stories of An Army Brat, 1939-1945" by LTC (Ret.) Clarke M Brandt- In the book, LTC Brandt relates his memories as a son of an Army Dental Corps Officer. He tells about being in Alaska on 7 December 1941, the evacuation from Alaska in February 1942, life in Iowa until the return of his father, and recollections of life in Salt Lake City where his dad was stationed. He concentrates on those activities connected with the military and the impact of the war on daily life.

"More European Adventures than I'd Planned" by Robert A. Vandegriff - This is the story of a young B-17 gunner of WWII. The book includes descriptions of bombing runs to aerial combat to evading Germans with the French underground to being a Kriegie.

"European Adventures" by Robert A. Titus - Titus was a B-17 navigator who was shot down and moved into Switzerland by the French underground where he worked for the OSS in Bern until he returned to the USA as part of a German for American trade between the Germans and the Swiss.

"Hiroshima, I Saw it First" by George (Bob) Caron/Tail Gunner- Bob Caron, tail gunner on the Enola Gay was interviewed at some time by George Pair, and his transcript of the interview was typed, apparently meant for a limited number of people. This copy came from a high school teacher in Parker, Colorado. In it, Caron describes his military service and the flight to Hiroshima with the first A-bomb used in warfare. He later published a book for sale.

"My Part in WWII, Memories of Air Station 137- Lavenham, England" by William Michaels (Senior MSGT, USAF Retired). Michaels tells of his service in the 669th Aero Engineering Squadron, 487th Bomb Group at Air Station 137 in Lavenham, England.

"One Hundred Fourteen Days in German Occupied France" by Milton J. Willis

Jr.- This is the story of T/Sgt. Milton J. Willis and T/Sgt. Kenneth A. Morrison, both B-17 radio operators who were shot down, and with the help of the French underground evaded the Germans and moved into Spain from where he returned to American control.

"Childhood Memories: The War Between Imperial Japan and the United States," written by Junichi Moriyama and Translated by Major Takashi Ishikawa (Japanese Defense Force) - Japanese Defense Force member Moriyama briefly describes a few memories of being young in Japan during World War II.

"Tales of A Kriegy" by Col. Jimmie Kanaya, MSC US Army (Ret.)- This contains two letters written by Kanaya, then a lieutenant in the 442nd RCT, dealing with a situation concerning the Battle of the Lost Battalion in France in late 1944 that resulted in his capture by the Germans. He also describes a temporary escape from a German POW camp.

"The Chaplain and the Culture of Death" by Chaplain (LTC) James R. McClements (US Army Retired)- McClements discusses death from impressions gained as a draftee assigned to the infantry in the 1950s and in much greater detail based on being a Protestant chaplain in the 1st Cavalry Division (Air Mobile) in Vietnam during the mid-1960s.

Extent/Location Gen Coll: 1 flat box of MS Video Coll

Acc# 03.0033

CollName (Full) Warren & Helen Lachman

ScopeNote Warren L. Lachman, of Morris Plains, New Jersey, joined the Army Oct. 16, 1940, and was a medic with the 102nd Div., 9th Army. He trained at Camp Croft, South Carolina. The collection consists mainly of personal letters to his wife, Helen Lachman, and to his young daughter, Sharon. His letters are rich in detail of Army life, including "signs of the times" such as Charlie McCarthy's radio show, 3.2 beers, Axis Sally, Frank Sinatra, and Ernie Pyle's book, "Brave Men" (1945). He complained about the slow mail service and soldiers from the ETO being sent to the war in the Pacific. He was stationed in Holland, Belgium, England, and Germany. He received a Bronze Star (3/45). The collection includes military documents, letters to and from Catholic chaplains, Dutch coins, newspaper clippings, military ID, and other related ephemera.

Extent/Location Gen Coll: 1 full box; AT Coll: Box 28

Acc# 03.0052

CollName (Full) Virginia Tull

ScopeNote Virginia Tull talks about her and her late husband's war experience. He was drafted while still in Seminary school in Louisville, Kentucky. He was assigned to an administrative position with the 7th Bombardment Group in Salt Lake City, Utah. Once her husband was assigned overseas, Tull took a secretarial position with Crescent Hill Baptist Church, where she worked on and off on the Home Front during his absence. In December of 1943, her husband returned from serving in India and elsewhere. He became a chaplain while serving in the military. Tull and her husband moved to New York following the war so that her husband could finish his Ph.D. at Columbia. Home Front.

Extent/Location Gen Coll: (1) 1/4 box; MS box in Rm 414, on top of Oldson's map drawers

Acc#	05.0125
CollName (Full)	Eugene J. Wenzel
ScopeNote	<p>Wenzel served in Company K, 24th Infantry Division in Hawaii. Collection contains an Army jacket with insignia from the 24th Infantry Division (Hawaiian), Division photographs, and a Christmas dinner menu and pamphlet for Company K, dated December 1940.</p> <p>Eugene J. Wenzel served as a Sergeant in the Army from 1941 to 1945 in the Pacific Theater. Wenzel was trained in Oahu and was stationed at Pearl Harbor on the day of the attack. This extensive collection does not include references to the happenings on that day, only a letter informing his family that he was okay. Pictures included show military men in uniform, camp life, army nurses, weapons, and Wenzel's friends, family and girlfriends. Artifacts include post-war pamphlets on the film "Tora, Tora, Tora" and books on Pearl Harbor. There are also copies of the "Taro Leaf Newsletter" which was a publication of, by, and for those who served the 24th Infantry Division. Other items include: army jacket, canvas bag, pins, medals, a bullet box, a rosary, German, US, Romania, British, and Mexican coins, plastic drink stirrers, patches, 6 silk handkerchiefs from Panama, a metal cigarette, a dog tag, a Pearl Harbor survivor hat, 3 metal watches, an ID tag, a small plastic box, and pocket guides to Hawaii and New Guinea. Correspondences included in the collection include 41 letters, 15 V-mail, 1 telegram, 6 greeting cards, and 9 post cards written from Wenzel to his mother. In writing to his mother, Wenzel rarely references combat or anything with the war. Topics of conversation, early on, give great detail about life in boot camp, but once Wenzel is shipped out, topics of conversation focus mainly on inquiries about family and friends. Money is often discussed, specifically the Wenzel family's lack of it and Eugene's attempt to send as much as he can home. Wenzel writes often of his hope that life will continue just as he left it when he returns home from the war. Wenzel is an enthusiastic participant in the war; he often speaks of his desire to exact revenge on the Japanese. Some grievances do show up in his letters when he is denied furlough. Letters in the collection from army chaplains to Wenzel's mother also seem to infer that Wenzel's time in the army did not always suit him. Wenzel wrote to his mother about social activities that he and his friends engaged in including drinking, bowling (he worked at a base bowling alley), and even desecrating Japanese supplies for their own amusement. Wenzel mentions other soldiers' interests in prostitutes in Panama, but Wenzel said that he did not have dealings with them. Wenzel mentioned that he was injured, but impressed on his mother that he was not badly wounded. Mrs. Wenzel's letters to her son catch him up on the goings-on at home and she often chides him for not writing more often. Other letters in the collection include a single letter from Wenzel's father to Wenzel, several letters from Wenzel's home town friends who have also joined the war effort to Mrs. Wenzel, Wenzel's best friend Joseph Kretzman's letters to Mrs. Wenzel, and letters from Wenzel's friend James Morinaha written to Wenzel and his family in the 1960s. There is one Japanese post card included in the collection that was sent from Wenzel to his mother in 1944. Wenzel apologizes for sending Japanese material to his mother but assures her that it was the only writing material that he could find. This letter, sent on 22 May 1944, is one of the few that discussed combat.</p>
Extent/Location	Gen Coll: [1] 1/2 box & [1] 1/4 box; Oversize Photos Box 6; Gen Coll: Oversize Box 5; AT Coll: Full Box; Uniform Rack 2; Small Textiles Box 1

Acc# 06.0163
CollName (Full) Tony Symonds
ScopeNote Collection includes "Indoctrination Lectures"- a government issued outline of lectures for newly indoctrinated troops (8th Air Force Replacement Depot, APO 635). Topics include orientation lecture, lecture on security, medical lecture, chaplain's talk, and movie "Welcome to Britain." Collection also includes two books, "The World's Great Letters" (issued by the Armed Services) and "Mastery Units in Modern History."
Extent/Location Gen Coll: 1 folder

Acc# 07.0101
CollName (Full) Shollie McConnell
ScopeNote This collection includes two silver trays, a photograph, two short internet biographies of Paula M. Milton and Major General Lester Johnson Whitlock, and one summary appraisal report valuing the two silver trays at \$2,600. General Whitlock's daughter, Anne, gave the trays to Paula Milton as a gift. When Paula died, the trays passed to her mother Shollie McConnell. After Mrs. McConnell's death, no Whitlock family could be located so the trays were donated to the Institute on World War II and the Human Experience. Added to the collection are material from George E. McConnell and John P. Milton, the husbands of the donors. These additions include George McConnell's marriage record, naval separation record, and honorable discharge certificate. The material on John P. Milton includes honorable discharge certificate, naval separation documents, draft notice, mass produced "letter" from his chaplain, signed letter from Harry Truman, dependent identification certificate, claim for unused leave, and his death certificate.
Extent/Location Gen Coll: 1 folder; AT in Cabinet #1 in Rm 700 and Ph, Dc in Rm 430

Acc# 98.0114
CollName (Full) Robert M. Smith
ScopeNote The collection contains two sets of documents relating to two different, apparently unconnected people. The first is Sergeant Melvin H. Rupert, who served in the Army in the Pacific Theater (PTO). The second is Robert Smith, who served as a defense worker with Beech Aircraft Corporation and later as a training officer at Camp Howze, Texas.

Sgt. Rupert was a Kansas boy who was drafted into the Army. He was trained as a rifleman in an infantry unit at Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas and Camp Roberts, California in spring 1942. Rupert fought and died in the Pacific Theater in July 1944 from wounds received in action in New Guinea. Included are photographs of Rupert; his training certificate and draft card; a letter and poem from him; the telegrams that notified his parents of his being wounded and his death; his Purple Heart; and letters of sympathy by Rupert's chaplain, commanding officer, and friend who wrote to his parents.

The other set of documents relates to Robert Smith. The documents include five certificates from Beech Corporation, which are related to Smith's defense training. One has a Disney-designed "Beechcraft Busy Bee" cartoon. Also included are a ration book with stamps and copies of letters Smith received, two from Lt. Col. Ed Minion and three from George Estes.

Extent/Location AT Coll: Box 7

Acc# 98.0272
CollName (Full) Jim Arcaro
ScopeNote This collection includes photographs and one copy of the "Coconut Log," the newsletter of the 29th United States Navy Construction Battalion, which was located in the Philippine Islands. This newsletter was published on 14 July 1945. Topics include Home Front news, Pacific war news, peacetime training, a chaplain's corner, and the laying of pipes in camp. There is a brief history of the 29th Battalion from 1942 to 1945. The battalion was founded at Camp Allen, Virginia, and members trained at Camp Bradford and were dispersed to various parts of England. In 1945 the entire battalion went to Samar and Leyte, where they were until the end of the war.

Extent/Location Gen Coll: 1 folder

Acc# 98.0383
CollName (Full) Erick L. Erickson
ScopeNote This collection includes a manuscript about Erick L. Erickson's experience as a crew member of the chaplain, and historian for the USS Saratoga CV-3 and USS Saratoga CV-60. Erickson describes the role of the USS Saratoga CV-3 and its role in the Pacific in the days before the invasion of Iwo Jima. He begins his narrative in February 1945 with the arrival of the carrier to Japan. He describes attacking and being attacked aerially, the recovery process when under fire, kamikaze pilots, burial at sea, and the capabilities of this carrier.

Extent/Location Gen Coll: 1 folder

Acc# 98.0391
CollName (Full) Arthur Edwin Brenton
ScopeNote The collection includes Arthur Edwin Brenton's original diary of events while serving aboard the USS Pennsylvania, 1942 until spring 1945, in the Pacific as a member of the US Marine Guard. Also included are various Orders of the Day, ephemera from their stop in Australia, newsclippings, a newsletter "Chaplain on the Bridge," an original ship's menu for Thanksgiving 1944, as well as a newsletter entitled, "Second Call for BB38," for the men aboard the USS Pennsylvania.
Extent/Location Gen Coll: 1 folder

Acc# 98.0869
CollName (Full) Clayton Rice
ScopeNote Oral History transcript states that Clayton Rice (1943-??) discusses his experiences in the Pacific Theater of World War II and as a reserve chaplain in later years. Rice served on an LSM in 1945; he never saw combat but was one of the early American visitors to Japan after the Peace Treaty was signed.
Extent/Location Gen Coll: 1 folder

Acc# 99.0113
CollName (Full) Frederick Lawler
ScopeNote Frederick Lawler served in the US Army Air Corps in New Guinea, the Philippines, the European Theater (ETO), and the Middle East. Marion (Burgess) Lawler served in the SPARS, the Coast Guard Women's Reserve.

Frederick Lawler served from June 1943 to April 1945. He trained at the Army Air Force Technical Training Command, Gulfport Field, Mississippi and Dale Mabry Field, Tallahassee, Florida.

Marion Lawler was honorably discharged in December 1943 for a "physical disability."

This collection contains letters, telegrams, and V-Mails between Frederick "Freddy" Lawler, his "darling wife" Marion, and his daughter Ann (Adams) Lawler from July 1943 to April 1948. His letters discuss entertainment, religion (including chaplains and going to church services), food and health, and censorship. Some of his letters were censored--there are pieces cut out of the letters. There is a congratulatory V-Mail from Dorothy Burgess on 2 August 1944 for the birth of the couple's baby.

The miscellaneous documents include a German-language map of Germany, a 13 July 1943 newspaper clipping about Marion Burgess, a commission letter from Major General Edward F. Witsell, Marion Lawler's certificate of discharge, and an Army certificate for First Lieutenant Dorothy Irene Burgess.
Extent/Location Gen Coll: [1] 1/2 box

Acc# 99.0183

CollName (Full) 494th Bomb Group Association

ScopeNote The 494th Bomb Group Association compiled these records from their time in service with the 7th Air Force. Included are official records (copies), including flight records, crew rosters, general orders, citations and awards, and other documentation on their flights and service. The collection has documents on the following bombardment squadrons serving within the 494th: 308th, 365th, 373th, 461st, 864th, 865th, 866th, and the 867th. Some information on the 5th Air Force, 13th Air Force, 14th Air Force, and the 11th Bomb Group is included. Personal memoirs written by the following pilots or crew members include (box #): Raymond J. Barker (7), T.C. Cartwright (1), Sam Fouts (7), Donald Kyle (7), Rolf Steu (7), Ben M. Snyder (7), and Richard "Dick" Stansfield (10) (Stansfield was the first president of the Association from 1990-1991). There is a list of members by alphabet and by home state.

Also, the collection includes extensive correspondence between Association members, especially from Dave Rogers (who was president when the collection was donated), including reunion plans, recollections and memories, and other official business of their association. The collection has news clippings, copies of obituaries, letters of condolence, newsletter submissions, etc.. Newsletters include, but are not limited to, the following: "Liberator Briefing: Journal of the International B-24 Liberators Club" (Boxes 1, 8) and "Kelly's Kobras" (Box 6). The collection is extensive at over ten cubic feet of material, plus microfilm from Maxwell Air Force Base and the National Archives. There are 75 books, six audio tapes, and four videos.

There are large reconnaissance aerial photos, apparently taken or used by the 494th Bomb Group in October 1944, of locations on the island of Luzon in the Philippines. Included are shots of the areas in and around Manila, some of which show the POW camps of Santa Tomas and Bilibid, Corregidor Island, Clark Air Field, Nichols Air Field, and other points.

Also, there are smaller aerial photos of points on Luzon in October 1944 and in early 1945, including photos of Bam Bam Town, Bunawan, Cebu City, Clark Air Field, Diklom Airfield, Mabalacat, Mindanao Island, and Tacolaban on Leyte. There are also photos of points in Japan taken in early 1945, including ones of Miho Air field in Honshu, Miyakonojo Airfield, Tomitaka Airfield, and other sites in Kyushu, including notations of possible munition sites.

Cassette tapes: 1) KOFI - talk 08/05/02 - Angel's Weep, 2) Bert Lee Show KTKT Tuscon 12/01/99, 16 copies, 3) 494th Bomb Group Association Business meeting in 1988, 2 tapes

Video tapes: 1) Lonesome Lady Story by NHK Public TV, Hiroshima, Japan, Tom Cartwright, B-24 pilot; 2) 05/03/02: #1 Return to Hiroshima, JMC Tom C., #2 Big John JMC; 3) Return to Japan with Tom Cartwright 10/99, Hiroshima A-Bomb Memorial; 4) Hell in the Pacific -- Palau Island

UPDATED: The collection also contains a manuscript entitled "494th Bombardment Group (H) History WWII". This manuscript is a compilation of information and quotes from archival records, a unit history, letters, diaries, and personal stories from airmen. The manuscript includes photographs from and about the 494th Bomb Group and the missions they completed, as well as stories on particular individuals from the group. The 494th Bomb Group completed missions in the Pacific Theater. Locations mentioned include Orlando, Wendover?, Mountain Home, Kauai, Corregidor,

Zamboanga, Koror, Shanghai, and Hiroshima. It includes information about the five squadrons within the 494th: 864th, 865th, 866th, 867th, and the 494th HQ Squadron.

Retired Colonel Samuel D. Maloney was a B-24 pilot and airplane commander in the 866th Bomb Squadron of the 494th Bomb Group in the 7th Bomber Command, 7th Air Force. This collection consists of several articles he wrote for the "Pinepost", a publication in Davidson, North Carolina. The first covers his experience of Christmas 1944 while training at Muroc Air Field in California's Mojave Desert: four of them traveled to Los Angeles and had dinner paid for by Joe Yule (Mickey Rooney's father) and comedian Billy Reid. They then traveled to a show and Chinatown. The second article is a remembrance of Chaplain (Capt.) Milton Dowden who served in the 494th in the Pacific Theater. The chaplain would be at every plane departure and return once receiving permission to fly as an additional crew member over Shanghai, though the flight was canceled. He also led a somber prayer service after the bombing of Hiroshima. The third article is about Maloney aboard the USS Alkaid heading from Palau to Okinawa in June 1945. Having had ministry interest prior to service, he led a 600-strong Sunday service and a Bible study of over 100 people for all religions. He remarks how glad he was that it was interracial, as members of an African American Army unit attended. The fourth article covers WWII experiences, both on the Home Front and of servicemen in the foreign theater. The last article details the "Lonesome Lady," a B-24 that left Okinawa with nine servicemen to attack Honshu Island. The plane was shot down with the pilot and the copilot being captured and taken to Hiroshima. The pilot was taken to Tokyo, and four days later Hiroshima was bombed. The article details what happened to the rest of the flight crew and the erection of a memorial at Hiroshima to the Americans who died there.

Extent/Location

Gen Coll: 10 full boxes, (1) 1/4 box; Mag Coll: 1 Box; Oversize Photo Box 99.0183; Gen Coll Oversize Box 8 (in folder); Small Textiles Box; AU Coll: 16 tapes; Video: 4; Stacks: 75 books

Acc#

99.0254

CollName (Full)

Daniel Fredrick

ScopeNote

Memoir entitled "The Life History of a Minister's Son, Who Also Became a Minister, Chaplain, and Teacher," by Daniel Henry Fredrick, 106 pages, about Frederick's time with the AAC/AAF in the Pacific and the US Mainland. Fredrick served as an Army Chaplain in Hawaii, New Guinea, the Philippines, and Japan. His duties included, but were not limited to, burying soldiers and writing letters to their families. After the war, he became a pastor at a church in Ohio before serving in the Korean War. Following the Korean War, Fredrick served in France and Germany before returning to the United States and making a home in Georgia. Fredrick also worked in Ethiopia. He retired in Phoenix, Arizona.

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ScopeNote	David Hortin calls his memories of World War II. He explains that his father joined the Army Air Corps as a Chaplain in 1943. Hortin states that the family moved to Boston for his father's military training and then followed him to Colorado where his father was stationed for the remainder of the war years. Hortin describes what it was like to be the son of a base chaplain.
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