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Descriptive Inventory

MSS 330 WORLD War II, 1939-1945 – Letters

½ box. 13 folders. 154 items. 1942-1955. Originals, photocopies.

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COLLECTION NOTE

This collection consists primarily of letters written by former Western Kentucky University students while serving in the armed forces during World War II. The writers include both men and women serving in all branches, both in the United States and overseas. The letters date mostly from 1942-1945 and are written to faculty and staff at Western Kentucky University or to parents and friends. Letters in Folders 2 through 5 are arranged in alphabetical order by correspondent, while Folders 6 through 11 relate to a single correspondent. A few letters have been typescripted, either in place of or accompanying the original. The main topics of the letters are military training, military duty, and the writers' impressions of the state or country in which they are stationed. Some of the writers also pass along news of other classmates.

Additional materials include press releases, newspaper articles, marriage announcements, and letters from wives or family members giving information about their husbands or sons. This collection also includes a history and travel log of the U.S.S. Stevens, a U. S. Navy destroyer that was commissioned in 1943 and saw action in the Pacific theatre.

SHELF LIST

BOX 1	Name	1942-1955	154 items
Folder 1	Inventory		1 item
Folder 2	Correspondents Allen – Griffin	1942-1944	31 items
Folder 3	Correspondents Hale – Lurding	1942-1945	24 items
Folder 4	Correspondents Matthews – Swearingen	1942-1945	32 items

Folder 5	Correspondents Temple – Young	1942-1945	16 items
Folder 6	Carver, Lester G. – Letters (typescripts)	1942-1943	5 items
Folder 7	Forsythe, Belmont – Letters	1942-1955	8 items
Folder 8	Ganter, Freddie – Letters published in <i>Glasgow Times</i>	1942-1943	6 items
Folder 9	Helm, John Blakey and Katherine (Sullivan) Hoffman – Letters	1943	5 items
Folder 10	Holbrook, Charles T. and E. T. Holbrook – Letters	1942-1945	19 items
Folder 11	White, Chester – Letters	1942-1945	4 items
Folder 12	Anonymous – Letter about military life (typescript)	n.d.	1 item
Folder 13	U.S.S. Stevens – History and travel log, 1943-1945	n.d.	2 items

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Letters

Letters written to parents, friends, faculty and staff of Western Kentucky University by students during their service in World War II. Includes some press releases, newspaper articles, photos. Also includes a history and travel log of the U.S.S. Stevens.

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 Bratcher, Waldemar D.
 Brown, Hewell S.
 Bryant, Clarence O.
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 Crabill, E. Blake – Relating to
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 Cuthbertson, Sterrett, 1882-1962 – Letters to
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