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MSS 330  WORLD War II, 1939-1945 – Letters


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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.

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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 and photos. Also includes a history and travel log of the U.S.S. Stevens. ½ box. 13 folders. 154 items. Originals, photocopies.

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