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## Carl F. Biddle Collection

**Creator:** Carl F. Biddle  
**Dates:** 1937-1949  
**Quantity:** 1 Folder  
**Acquisition:** Kenneth Clarke, January 26, 2018  
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## Biographical Note

Carl F. Biddle was born January 12, 1922 at Fostoria, Ohio. He enlisted in the Marine Corps on December 29, 1941. Biddle served in the Pacific Theater, and participation in battles on Guadalcanal and Peleliu. He attained the rank of Corporal by the time of his separation on January 7, 1946.

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## Scope and Content of the Collection

The Carl F. Biddle Collection contains materials from Biddle's service in the Marine Corps during World War II. Some materials are from post-war when Biddle applied for veteran pension and disability. The collection includes military documents, passes, postcards, and ephemera.

## Arrangement

The collection arrived in no discernable order. PMML staff have organized the collection by item type, then chronologically.

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## Separations

Item ID	Call Number	Description	Location
800358021		Long green wool overcoat with 1st Marine Division SSI; Corporal Chevron insignia; single service stripe	
800358022		Green wool jacket with 1st Marine Division SSI ; Corporal chevron insignia; single service stripe; two ribbon bars; Marine Corps collar pins	
800358023		Tan button-down shirt	
800358024		Green wool pants	

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## Key Subjects

This collection is indexed under the following headings in the Library's online catalog. Researchers interested in materials about related topics, persons, or places should search the catalog using these subject headings.

## Subjects

Europa (Ship : 1930-1961)  
United States. Marine Corps.  
United States. Marine Corps. Marine Division, 1st.  
World War, 1939-1945.

## Container List

Box	Folder	Item ID #	Title	Dates
SM	1		<b>Carl F. Biddle Collection</b>	<b>1937-1949, u.d.</b>
		800358001	Souvenir photograph of koala, "Koala Park, Sydney"	u.d.
		800358002	Souvenir photograph of two koalas, "Koala Park, Sydney"	u.d.
		800358003	Souvenir photograph of emu, "Koala Park, Sydney"	u.d.
		800358004	Blank postcard of St Patrick's Cathedral, Melbourne	u.d.
		800358005	Blank postcard of the Yarra at Princes Bridge, Melbourne	u.d.
		800358006	Blank postcard of Collins Street, Melbourne	u.d.
		800358007	Blank postcard of Queen Victoria Gardens, Melbourne	u.d.
		800358008	Blank postcard of Finders Street Station and Approach to the Shrine, Melbourne	u.d.
		800358009	Blank post card of the SS Europa	u.d.
		800358010	First Marine Division Christmas/New Year's card, signed with addresses from men in unit	u.d.
		800358011	Note that allows Biddle to receive Liberty card	u.d.
		800358012	Multiple passes/cards taped to scrapbook page: Crew Mess Pass; Authorized Liberty pass; Short poem "O	u.d., 7/2/1942

	Lord, give me the strength..."; U.S.S. Europa Meal Pass; Ancient Order of the Deep Certificate, 2 July, 1942	
800358013	Brochure Norddesutscher Lloyd [German Shipping Company] for SS <i>Bremen</i> [Ocean Liner, sister ship to SS <i>Europa</i> ]	1937
800358014	Commissioning Ceremonies of the <i>USS Europa</i> AP-177 pamphlet	8/25/1945
800358015	Copy of separation papers with stamp that reads "Ohio World War II Compensation Applied For" [photocopy]	Oct-46
800358016	U.S Marine Corps Report of Separation	1/2/1946
800358017	Detailed Instructions/General Instructions for claim for veteran benefits	u.d.
800358018	To Carl Biddle from LT Winer of Veteran Administration: letter about receiving application for pension and what else he needs to submit	5/23/1946
800358019	To Carl Biddle from JT Graham of Veterans Administration: letter about claim being reviewed	7/8/1949
800358020	To Carl Biddle from JT Graham of Veterans Administration: letter about application for disability compensation	8/1/1949