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Jack B. Mattern Collection

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Biographical Note

Jack B. Mattern was born September 22, 1912 to Harold and Grace Mattern in Pennsylvania. He married Margaret R. and was a traveling salesman of electrical supplies before the war.

Mattern enrolled in the United States Navy on March 14, 1943 and became part of the 93rd Naval Construction Battalion. During Christmas 1943, Mattern was stationed at the Mbanika Island, of the Russell Islands, to build warehouses, storage areas, and dock facilities. It was during his time on this South Sea Pacific Island that he sent the Christmas card seen in this collection. Mattern was discharged on October 28, 1945 with a final rank of EM2c.

Jack B. Mattern passed away on January 10, 2002.

Scope and Content of the Collection

The Jack B. Mattern Collection consists of one Christmas card "Designed and produced in the jungles on a South Sea Pacific Island by the Ninety-Third Construction Battalion." The card was sent from Jack to "Duchess" on December 3, 1943.

Series One: Christmas Card

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Subjects

United States--Navy--Construction Battalion, 93rd.
World War, 1939-1945--Engineering and Construction.

Container List

Folder	Item ID #	Title	Dates
1	800185001	Christmas card from the 93rd Construction Battalion (Designed and Produced in the Jungles on a South Sea Pacific Island). From: Jack; To: Duchess.	12/3/1943