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Walter R. Noennig Collection

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Biographical Note

Walter R. Noennig was born on May 11, 1919 in Altenburg, Missouri. Although he only completed two years of high school, Noennig enlisted in the Army on March 18, 1943 and joined the 71st Infantry Division, 14th Canon Company. During his tour, Noennig served in Germany, France and Austria. He worked as an interpreter in both Germany and France during the war.

While stationed in Leiphien/Donau, Germany, Noennig met Anne Schrezenmaier. They corresponded for four years after Noennig returned to the United States. He was discharged from the Army in 1946.

After finishing his time in the Army, Noennig spent 30 years working at Chromcraft/Harvard Industries. He followed he work there with 20 years at The May Company until he retired.

Noennig and Schrezenmaier married in 1949 and had two sons. Noennig died on September 25, 2007 at the age of 88.

Awards

Combat Infantry Badge

U.S. Army World War II European Theatre Ribbon with two combat stars

U.S. Army Good Conduct Ribbon

Scope and Content of the Collection

The collection contains papers of Corporal Walter R. Noennig as well as a uniform, patches, combat ribbons, pins, a bracelet and newspapers. The bulk of the collection concerns Corporal Noennig's military service for the years 1943-1946.

The collection contains a pair of orders given to Corporal Noennig. The first is a General Order awarding Corporal Noennig with the Combat Infantryman Badge. The second order is a Transfer Order to have Corporal Noennig considered for the Good Conduct Ribbon.

The collection also includes a handwritten letter from Corporal Noennig's wife, providing details of Corporal Noennig's service in World War II.

The collection also contains a World War II Army uniform, which includes a number of ribbons, badges, and patches. A 71st Infantry bracelet is also included.

The remainder of the collection consists of newspapers published in 1945.

Arrangement

The collection arrived with no discernable arrangement and was rearranged in a more efficient working order by PMML staff. The collection is contained within one archival folder.

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Separations

Title: *Red Circle News*
Author: United States. Army, 71st Infantry Division
Call Number: v.1 no. 4 Aug 18, 1945

Title: *Red Circle News*
Author: United States. Army, 71st Infantry Division
Call Number: v.1 no. 6 Sept 1, 1945

Title: *Red Circle News*
Author: United States. Army, 71st Infantry Division
Call Number: v.1 no. 9 Sept 22, 1945

Title: *The Right of the Line*
Call Number: v.1 no. 2 July 14, 1945

Title: *The Right of the Line*
Call Number: v.1 no. 7 Aug 18, 1945

Title: *The Right of the Line*
Call Number: v.1 no. 12 Sept 22, 1945

Title: *The Right of the Line*
Call Number: v.1 no. 13 Sept 29, 1945

Title: *Stars & Stripes*
Author: United States. Army. European Theater of Operations. Information and Education Division.
Call Number: v.1 no. 80 July 26, 1945

Title: *Stars & Stripes*
Author: United States. Army. European Theater of Operations. Information and Education Division.
Call Number: v.1 no. 140 Sept 24, 1945

Title: *Stars & Stripes*
Author: United States. Army. European Theater of Operations. Information and Education Division.
Call Number: v.1 no. 141 Sept 25, 1945

PMML Item#	Call Number	Item	Location
300409	REALIA 00385	14 th Regiment Pins (4)	
300410	REALIA 00386	U.S. Army brass disc pin	
300411	REALIA 00387	U.S. Army Infantry brass disc pin	
300412	REALIA 00388	U.S. Army Coastal Artillery brass disc pin	
300413	REALIA 00389	U.S. Army Combat Infantry (First Award) badge	
300414	REALIA 00389	U.S. Army World War II Victory Ribbon	
300415	REALIA 00390	U.S. Army World War II European Theatre Ribbon, with two combat stars	
300416	REALIA 00391	U.S. Army American Campaign Ribbon	
300417	REALIA 00392	U.S. Army Good Conduct Ribbon	
300418-300420	REALIA 00393	Anti-Aircraft Command Patches (3)	
300421	REALIA 00394	European Theater of Operations Patch	
300422	REALIA 00395	71 st Infantry Metal Bracelet	
300423	REALIA 00396	U.S. Army Uniform (World War II, enlisted)	

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.

Names

Noennig, Anne., 1930-
 Noennig, Walter R., 1919-2007

Subjects

United States. -- Army. -- Infantry Division, 71st.
World War, 1939-1945 -- Correspondence.

Detailed Description of the Collection

Folder One

Noennig Papers

General Orders- Award of Combat Infantryman Badge, 1945

Transfer of Enlisted Man Order, 1945

Letter from Anne Noennig to Pritzker Military Library, 2007