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William S. and Harry S. York Collection

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Biographical Note

Harry and William York were born in Illinois to Sarsfield H. and Winifred Estelle York. Harry and William were the two eldest boys of at least seven children. While both boys grew up, the family lived in Cook County, Illinois. During World War II, while William was working on the Alcan Highway, Harry, serving in the Air Corps, was stationed in Europe.

Chronology

1908	Harry S. York was born
1914	William S. York was born
1941	Harry S. York Enlisted in the Army
March 8, 1942	Construction officially began on the Alcan Highway Project
October 28, 1942	Alcan Highway Project was declared finished

Scope and Content of the Collection

The one folder William S. and Harry S. York Collection is comprised of World War II related photographs and correspondence from both William S. (Bill) and Harry S. York to family members. William's letters touch on family and his experiences while working on the Alcan Highway Project. Harry's letters address aspects of his service as in the Air Corps and combat in Europe.

Arrangement

There is no apparent arrangement of the letters within the folder.

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Separations

Item Number	Description	Date	Location
80002906	Small Paratrooper Photograph of Bill York	n.d.	Photography Collection
80002907	Photograph of Bill York in Official Uniform	n.d.	Photography Collection

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

Armington, Eleanor
York, Harry Sarsfield
York, William Stewart

Subjects

United States. -- Army Air Forces. -- Fighter Group, 318th
World War, 1939-1945 -- Correspondence.
World War, 1939-1945 -- Alaska.

Geographic Locations

Harvey (Ill.)

Container List

Folder One

York Collection

- 80002901 Donation Letter, 2009
- 80002902 Bill's Easter Letter, 1942
- 80002903 Bill's Handwritten Letter, 1942
- 80002904 Transcription of Bill's Handwritten Letter, n.d.
- 80002905 Unknown Handwritten Letter, n.d.
- 80002908 Harry's Handwritten Letter to EI, n.d.
- 80002909 Harry's Handwritten Letter to EI, 1945