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Summary Information

Repository: University Archives and Historical Collections

Creator: Palm, Charles Donald

Title: Charles Donald Palm papers

ID: UA.10.3.431

Date [inclusive]: 1910-1919

Physical 0.25 Cubic Fee

Description:

0.25 Cubic Feet, 9 folders

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English.

Material:

Preferred Citation

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Biographical Note

Charles Donald ("Don") Palm of East Lansing, Michigan, was the son of Dr. and Mrs. Milton Palm, and he attended Michigan Agricultural College (now Michigan State University) as a sub-freshman in 1910-1911. He served with the U.S. Ambulance Service in 1917-1918, later transferring to Ordnance (3rd Company, 5th Battalion, 1st Regiment). He was then shipped to Europe in 1918 with the American Expeditionary Forces.

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Scope and Contents

Don Palm's papers consist mostly of letters and postcards he wrote to his family while serving in the ambulance corps and in the army. He was stationed at Camp Allentown, Pennsylvania; Camp Hancock, Georgia; Camp Merritt, New Jersey; and Mehun, France. The letters detail camp life and describe wartime in France. Palm's assignment overseas consisted primarily of cleaning guns. His duties were apparently not very demanding, and one of his greatest concerns was gaining membership in Freemasonry.

The collection includes a photograph of a young girl in formal attire and two negatives. The negatives are of a man on a bicycle and a family posed in a garden. The photographs seem to be Palm's family

Administrative Information

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Controlled Access Headings

- Armed Forces -- Prayers and devotions
- World War, 1914-1918 -- France
- Letters (correspondence)
- Photographs
- Postcards -- Postcards
- United States. Army. Ambulance Service
- United States. Army -- Military life -- History

Collection Inventory

Correspondence				
Title/Description	Instances			
1910- November 1917	box LFD 4	folder 1		
December 1917-June 1918	box LFD 4	folder 2		
July-August 1918	box LFD 4	folder 3		
August-November 1918	box LFD 4	folder 4		
December 1918-March 1919, Undated	box LFD 4	folder 5		

Envelopes, 1917-1918

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box LFD 4 folder 7

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Prayer Book for Soldiers and Sailors, 1917	box LFD 4	folder 6				
Photographs						
Title/Description	Instances					
Portrait of Young Girl in Formal Dress, undated	box LFD 4	folder 8				

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Negatives					
Title/Description	Instances				
Family Posed in Garden, undated	box SC Photo 1				
Man on Bicycle, undated	box SC Photo 1				

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