

GEORGE C. MARSHALL RESEARCH FOUNDATION

COLLECTION SUMMARY SHEET

COLLECTION: THOMAS T. HANDY PAPERS
ACCESSION NUMBER: 102
DONOR: Mary Parker
DATE OF GIFT: August, 1984
SIZE: 4 linear feet
INCLUSIVE DATES: 1935-1981

BIOGRAPHICAL AND SUBJECT SUMMARY:

Thomas Troy Handy (1892-1982) graduated from Virginia Military Institute in 1914. He served in both World Wars achieving the rank of general in 1945. During World War II Handy served as both Assistant Chief of Staff for Operations and Deputy Chief of Staff under George C. Marshall. From 1949-1954 Handy was stationed in Germany serving as commander-in-chief of the U.S. troops in Europe in the NATO command and as the deputy commander-in-chief of the U.S. European Command. After his retirement in 1954, Handy joined the Research Analysis Corporation.

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION AND ARRANGEMENT:

This collection is arranged in chronological order. Three phases of Handy's life are represented: Deputy Chief of Staff (1944-1947) Commander U.S. Zone of Germany (1949-1954) and staff of Research Analysis Corporation (1957-1969).

RESTRICTIONS: None
LOCATION: Vault upper level
COLLECTION REGISTER AVAILABLE: Yes

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Thomas Troy Handy Papers 1935-1981 7 boxes 4 linear feet

Biographical Sketch

Thomas Troy Handy was born in Spring City, Tennessee, March 11, 1892. He was graduated from Virginia Military Institute in 1914 with a Bachelor of Science degree. He was commissioned a second lieutenant of Field Artillery November 30, 1916, and promoted to first lieutenant the same date.

General Handy's first assignment was as a student at the Provisional Officers' Training School at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. In April, 1917, he joined the Seventh Field Artillery at Camp Wilson, Texas, and the following June was transferred to the Fifth Artillery at El Paso.

In August 1917, General Handy went with the Fifth Field Artillery to Le Valdohan, France. He later went to Saumur, France, as an aide to the Commanding General of the Field Artillery School being established there. In January, 1918, he joined the 42d Division with headquarters at Rolompont, France. He took part in the engagements of the Luneville Sector, Baccarat Sector, Champagne Defensive, Chateau-Thierry Offensive, St. Mihiel and Argonne Sectors, Aisne-Marine and Defense Sector of Lorraine.

In August 1918, General Handy was assigned to the 151st Field Artillery, with which he served until May 1919, when he was assigned with the Ninth Field Artillery at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. He entered the Field Artillery School at Fort Sill in January 1920, completed the battery commanders course a year later and joined the 15th Field Artillery at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. In August 1921, he was named assistant professor of military science and tactics at Virginia Military Institute, and four years later returned to the Field Artillery School at Fort Sill, where he completed the advanced course in June 1926.

General Handy then entered the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, and upon graduation in June 1927 was assigned to the 10th Field Artillery at Camp Lewis, Washington. In May 1928 he was transferred to the Third Field Artillery Brigade at Camp Lewis as plans and training officer and later became executive officer.

In July 1929, General Handy was assigned to Quarry Heights, Panama Canal Zone, as assistant chief of staff for intelligence of the Panama Canal Department. Two years later he became an instructor at the Field Artillery School at Fort Sill. In August 1934 he entered the Army War College, graduated the following June and entered the Naval War College from which he graduated a year later.

General Handy then was assigned to the operations section of the War Plans Division, War Department General Staff. In July 1940 he assumed command of the 78th Field Artillery Battalion (Armored) at Fort Benning, Georgia.

From 1942-1944, he was assistant chief of staff in the operations division of the office of the Army Chief of Staff in Washington, D.C., followed by three years (1944-1947) as Deputy Chief of Staff of the U.S. Army. He was promoted to four-star general on March 13, 1945.

General Handy was commanding general of the Fourth U. S. Army at Fort Sam Houston from 1947-1949, and for the next three years he was commander-in-chief of the U.S. troops in Europe in the NATO Command. In 1952-1954, he was deputy commander-in-chief of the U.S. European Command, until his retirement in March 1954 from active Army Duty after more than 37 years.

Following his retirement from the Army, General Handy joined the Operations Research Office (ORO) which later became the Research Analysis Corporation (RAC) in Washington, D.C. He was a senior staff member of ORO and RAC from 1954 until December 1969. The U.S. Army conferred its highest civilian honor-- the Distinguished Civilian Service Medal--on him March 6, 1970 at the Pentagon.

Thomas Troy Handy died in April, 1982, at the age of 90.

Awards and Decorations

Distinguished Service Cross
Distinguished Service Medal (two Oak Leaf Clusters)
Legion of Merit
Croix de Guerre with Gilt Star (France)
Legion of Honor, Cross of Commander (France)
Croix de Guerre with Palm (Belgium)
Cross of Grand Officer of the Order of Leopold (Belgium)
Special Grand Cordon of Yun-Hui (Republic of China)
Abdon Calderon Star (Ecuador)
The Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, with rank of
Honorary Knight Commander (Great Britain)
Distinguished Civilian Service Medal (highest U.S. Civilian Award)

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Scope and Content

The Handy Papers consist of four series. Three of these series coincide with phases of General Handy's career: Deputy Chief of Staff of the Army, Commander U.S. European Command and Senior Staff Research Analysis Corporation. Each of these series consists mostly of correspondence.

Material in the Deputy Chief of Staff series (.25 linear feet) consists of correspondence between Handy and officers including Lucian K. Truscott, Matthew B. Ridgway and George S. Patton. Letters in this series tend to discuss issues pertaining to the waging of World War II and are arranged alphabetically.

The bulk of the collection (1 linear foot) is made up of documents from Handy's years as Commander in the U.S. Zone in Germany. This series, too, is comprised of correspondence. However, the letters are much less substantive than those in the first series. Most of this correspondence is congratulatory or perfunctory in nature relating to parties, holiday greetings and thank you notes. These letters, too, are arranged alphabetically.

The third series covering Handy's retirement years is also small (.25 linear feet). Included are both correspondence and reports from the Research Analysis Corporation (RAC). This correspondence, arranged chronologically, is personal in nature between Handy and former associates. The RAC material mainly documents one report Handy worked on while there.

There is one last series of Related Material (.25 linear feet). This consists of Memorabilia, Photographs and Clippings.

A. M. Weber

8 February 1985

(102) Thomas T. Handy Papers

Container List

Box/Folder(s)

DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF, 1944-1947

1	1	Edwards, E. B., 1945-1946
	2	Huebner, Clarence R., 1947.
	3	Patton, George C., 1944-1945
	4	Rawlingson, R. M., 1945
	5	Richardson, Robert C., 1945
	6	Ridgway, Matthew B., 1945-1946
	7	Smith, Walter Bedell, 1944-1945
	8	Truscott, Lucian K., 1945
	9	Wedemeyer, A. C., 1945, 1947
	10	Wilson, Arthur K., 1945
	11	Brett - Kroner
	12	Lowry - Wooten
	13	Correspondence re: death of George Ben Johnson <i>Handy</i> <i>(500)</i>

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	14	Abbey - Aknaz
	15	Albert - Arms
	16	Arnold - Ayers
	17	Badre - Bay
	18	Beasley - Besancon
	19	Beard - Blume
	20	Boatner, Haydon L.
	21	Bolling - Bradley, J. Sladen
	22	Bradley, Omar N.
	23	Brand - Bryan
	24	Buckley - Burns
	25	Burress, W. A.
	26	Busch - Byrd
	27	Cain - Cannon, Craig
	28	Cannon, John K. - Cassidy
	29	Chambliss - Christiansen
	30	Clark - Collins, Harry J.
	31	Collins, J. Lawton
	32	Collins, James - Cox
	33	Craig - Culin
2	1	Dahlquist - Davis
	2	deBettencourt - DeWitt
	3	Diller - Duryea
	4	Ebbott - Edleman
	5	Eddy, Manton S.
	6	Edwards - Eichenroht
	7	Eisenhower, Dwight D.
	8	Elliott - Exton
	9	Farley, James A.

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2	10	Fechteler - Ferris
	11	Finck, E. R.
	12	Finley - Fitts
	13	Fleming - Forest
	14	Forrestel - Fox
	15	Francois-Poncet - Futch
	16	Gailey, C. K.
	17	Gale - Galloway, Irene O.
	18	Galloway, James V.
	19	Gard - Gazouraud
	20	George - Goodwin
	21	Grabau - Grow
	22	Gruenther, Alfred M.
	23	Gruver - Gudenus
	24	Guillaume, Augustine
	25	Gunn - Gysels
	26	Hackman - Hammond
27-30		Handy, Alma H.
	31	Handy, Bolling H.
	32	Handy, Laurins I.
33-35		Handy, Mary O.
	36	Handy, Thomas T.
	37	Hausen - Harrison
	38	Hart, Charles E.
	39	Hart, William J. - Hayward
	40	Heard - Hickey
	41	Hill, John G.
	42	Hinds - Hobson
3	1	Hodes, H. I.
	2	Hodge - Homer
	3	Honnen - Howze
	4	Hudson - Hughes
	5	Hull, John E.
	6	Hulsey - Hutter
	7	Immell - Irving
	8	Irwin, Stafford LeRoy
	9	Ivanov, Semyon Pavlovich
	10	Jack - Jenkins, L. C.
	11	Jenkins, Rueben - Johnson, Leon
	12	Johnson, Louis
	13	Johnson, Mays - Jordan
	14	Juin, Alphonse
	15	Juskalian - Juttel
	16	Kannheiser - Kelly, John E.
	17	Kelly, John S.

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	19	Keyes, Geoffrey
	20	Keyser, George W.
	21	Kebler, A. Franklin
	22	Kiernan - Kuwait
	23	Lajouanie - deLassus
	24	deLattre, Jean
	25	Lawson - Lewis
	26	L'Hopital - Lovett
	27	Lowry, Sumter L.
	28	Lubiagov - Lucey
	29	Lutes, LeRoy
	30	Lynch, G. E. - Lynch, Robert
	31	McAuliffe - McCarthy
	32-35	McCloy, John J.
	36	McCormick - McIntyre
	37	McKee - McNutt
	38	Macatee - Marras
	39	Marshall, George C.
	40	Marshall, C. J. - Mayo
4	1	Mead - Meyer
	2	Mickelsen - Milton
	3	Molitor - Mouzon
	4	Mueller - Mussett
	5	Nash - Naylor
	6	Nicholsen - Noble
	7	Noce, Daniel
	8	Noiret, Roger J. C.
	9	Nold - Norris
	10	Norstad, Lauris
	11	North - Nye
	12	Occhialini - O'Donoghue
	13	Oglesby - O'Neill
	14	Oppenheim - Overesch
	15	Pace, Frank
	16	Palmer, Williston B.
	17	Panacoast - Partridge
	18	Parties
	19	Patterson - Paules
	20	Peacock - Pfeifer
	21	Phillips - Pirtle
	22	Pohl - Putnam
	23	Quisada - Quinby
	24	Radford - Ray
	25	Read - Rheem
	26	Record - Riddleberger

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4	27	Ridgway, Matthew B.
	28	Riley - Royce
	29	Ruben - Ryan
	30	Sacks - Satterthwaite
	31	Schlesser, Guy
	32	Schmidt - Scott
	33	Seaton - Sexton
	34	Shackelford - Shuster
	35	Sibert - Sims
	36	Skeel - Snyder
	37	Sobolta - Spry
	38	Stohlman - Stokes
	39	Stone, Charles P.
	40	Stone, Earl - Strickland
	41	Strickler, Daniel B.
5	1	Strong - Sullivan
	2	Sun, LiJen
	3	Swart - Symington
	4	Tabar - Tavel
	5	Taylor, Maxwell D.
	6	Taylor, Robert K.
	7	Teague - Textor
	8	The American - Thurman
	9	Timberlake - Titus
	10	Todd - Tsakalotos
	11	Tseng, Hsi-Kuei
	12	Tulley - Tyson
	13	Uncles - Upthegrove
	14	VanBrunt - VanWagoner
	15	Vaughn - Vittrup
	16	Vogel - Voorhees
	17	Walker - Walter
	18	Ward, Orlando
	19	Warren - Watson
	20	Webb - Weyrauch
	21	Whatley, Joel D.
	22	Whedon - Whitcomb
	23	White - Wilkes
	24	Williams, Edward - Williams, S. T.
	25	Willing - Wise
	26	Wood - Wright, Henry
	27	Wright, Jerauld
	28	Wright, Lawrence - Wyman
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RESEARCH ANALYSIS CORPORATION, 1958-1969

		Correspondence
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	31	1959
	32	1960
	33	1961
	34	1962
	35	1963
	36	1964-1965
	37	1966
	38	1967
	39	1968
	40	Personnel, 1955-1969
	41	PIGSAH IV, 1957
	42	Strategic Concepts - Study 36
	43	Ellis A. Johnson - "The Nature of War."
	44-46	Appraisal of Army Audit Report

RELATED MATERIAL

6	1	Memorabilia
		Photos
	2	Album: T. T. Handy Birthday - Research Analysis Corp., n.d.
	3	Alma H. Handy
	4	George S. Patton; Charles P. Stone
	5	T. T. Handy, Jean deLattre de Tussigny US Zone Germany, 1950
	6	John W. Martyn Retirement, 1960
	7	Research Analysis Corporation
		Clippings
	8-9	T. T. Handy
7		PHOTO ALBUM - Handy trip to Japan, 1946.

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SEPARATION RECORD

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The following items have been removed from the collection:

Description of items	Location
One name plate Thomas T. Handy (61-939)	Museum Storage Box 11