

COLLECTION: Quartermaster Corps-Technical Branch Collection

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BIOGRAPHICAL/HISTORICAL FEATURES:

The Technical Branch of the OQMC performed a public relations role during and after World War II. The Branch organized and supervised Army exhibits, civilian corporations production awards, and the promotion of QMC activities through press and radio releases.

FORMS OF MATERIAL:

The majority of material consists of press release, fact sheets, and performance reports. Other material consists of correspondence, Army directives, clippings and published printed material. A small amount of Mr. Henry Milne's personal memorabilia, cards and church pamphlets may also be found.

MAJOR CORRESPONDENTS:

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SUBJECTS:

Exhibits
QMC related Press Releases
QMC Performance
Caption and Photographic credits

ARRANGEMENT:

The collection is arranged according to activities of the OQMC. These series are further subdivided into alphabetical order.

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Biographical Sketch

The Technical Information Branch of the Office of the Quartermaster General performed a public relations role during and after World War II. Branch activities included organizing civilian corporation awards for production, the set up and supervision of Army exhibits, and promotion of QMC activities through press and radio releases. Information specialists, such as Henry U. Milne, carried out the supervising tasks of the Technical Information Branch.

Scope and Content

This collection of Quartermaster Corps material consists of nearly 40 years of government printed material. The majority of this collection is comprised of Technical Branch material regarding the set up and supervision of special Army exhibits, as well as numerous press releases covering QMC activities. Among the special exhibits included are the California Pacific International Exposition of 1935, Golden Gate International Exposition of 1940, and continuous military post demonstrations. Press releases cover such subjects as addresses and statements, awards presentations, and the K-9 Corps.

A much smaller photo series contains captions and photograph credits as well as requisition forms. There is an analysis of the QMC performance in World War II which covers civilian, fiscal, planning and central facets of the QMC. This lengthy report was compiled by the OQMC and describes the role and efficiency of this organization in a mobilized war effort.

Some personal memorabilia of Mr. Milne and small amount of correspondence round out this collection.

Container List

Box/Folder(s)

Description

QUARTERMASTER CORPS

Exhibits

1 1 Atlanta, Georgia, 1944
2 Armed Forces Day: Uniform Display, 1954
3 Bellwood, Virginia, 1943-1945
4 California Pacific International Exposition,
1935
5 Charlotte, North Carolina, 1943-1944
6 Fort Lee, Virginia, 1944-1945; 1955
7 Memorial Day, 1947, Sydney, Australia
8 Mississippi Free State Fair, 1943
9 Notebook: Golden Gate International
Exposition, 1939-1940
10 Quartermaster Day, 16 June 1947
11 Schedule of Events

Press Releases

12-13 Addresses and Statements
14 Army Directives, 1944; 1950-1957
15-18 Awards
19 Biographies
20 Clothing
21 Early Press Releases, October 1903
22 Equipment

2 1-2 Filed Press Releases
3 Food
4-5 Insignia
6 K-9 Corps
7 Korean Atrocities
8 Notebook re QMC
9 Procurement of European Horses
10 Uniform Regulation
11 "Unknown Soldier" Entombment, 1921

Photo

12-13 Captions and Credits
14 Queries and Requisitions

QMC Performance: World War II

3 1 Civilian
2 Field Progressive Branch
3 Fiscal
4 Historical Section
5 Organization Planning and Control
6 Provost Marshal
7 Publications Branch
8 Work Measurement Program
9 World War II Performance Review

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QUARTERMASTER CORPS (continued)
Printed Material

3 10 History and Outline of OQMC
11-12 Article: Business Week 31 Oct. 1942;
Military Collector and Historian, March 1954
13-14 Brochure: Quartermaster Organization,
functions, and facilities, 1 March 1954;
Quartermaster Training Service Journal,
4 May 1945
15-16 Clippings re QMC; re Uniforms
17 Congressional Record, Speech of Carl Hinshaw,
28 May 1945
18 Newsletter: American Public Relations
Association, 23 Feb. 1956; 11 July 1956
19 Report: Department of State, article re
International affairs

HENRY U. MILNE
20-21 Personal Papers

Correspondence
22 Milne, 1943; 1957
23 Commendation 1943; 1945
24 Commerce 1920; 1923; 1934
25 QMC 1942-1943
26 Notes 1946
27 Shipping Board, 1918-1919

4 1 Newspaper: The QM Courier 2/1/43
2 Newspaper: War Times 4/28/44
3 Sample Election War Ballots
4 Exhibit Layout
5 Poster: War Dept. Decorations
6 Clipping: Insignia
7 Prints
8 HQ Army Command, Fort Monroe
9 Poster: China loans 1/20/23
10 Poster: Confidential Press Release 3/23/19
"Hurley tells of World Shortage of Ships"
11 Work Measurement Chart
12 Poster: Your Flag