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COLLECTION SUMMARY SHEET

COLLECTION: John P. Lucas Diary
ACCESSION NUMBER: 38m
DONOR: A. N. Garland
DATE OF GIFT: n.a.
SIZE: 1 ff/20 items
INCLUSIVE DATES: 1943

BIOGRAPHICAL AND SUBJECT SUMMARY:

John Porter Lucas (1890-1949) of Kearneysville, West Virginia, graduated from West Point in 1911. During World War I he served both in the United States and France where he was awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received in action. During World War II he held a variety of stateside commands before going to England in 1943 to serve under D. D. Eisenhower. He served in a staff capacity in the North African and Sicilian Campaigns until September 1943 when he took command of the VI Corps of Mark Clark's Fifth Army in Italy. After the war, Lucas served as Chief of the Military advisory group in Nationalist China (1946-1948) and as deputy commander of the Fifth Army in Chicago until his death in 1949.

The diary was kept by Lucas during the Sicilian Campaign and covers daily events such as tank movements and visits from staff members.

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION AND ARRANGEMENT:

The diary is a copy of the one Lucas kept; it is on twenty sheets of papers in one folder.

RESTRICTIONS: none
LOCATION: Minor collections file cabinet
COLLECTION REGISTER AVAILABLE: no