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COLLECTION SUMMARY SHEET

COLLECTION: JOHN McAULEY PALMER PAPERS
ACCESSION NUMBER: 173m #40
DONOR: Mary Palmer Rockwell
DATE OF GIFT: N.A.
SIZE: 24 Pieces
INCLUSIVE DATES: September 11, 1919-July 10, 1953

BIOGRAPHICAL AND SUBJECT SUMMARY:

Mary (Polly) Palmer Rockwell of Wolfeboro, New Hampshire, is the daughter of General John McAuley Palmer and the wife of George H. Rockwell. Her father, General Palmer, attended West Point in 1888, took part in the Boxer Revolution in China, and served under General John Pershing in France during World War I. He retired in 1926, and became the author of several military biographies. In 1946, he was recalled to active duty by General Marshall.

The collection consists mainly of letters from Palmer to his children and wife Maud, and letters exchanged between Palmer and Marshall. The letters are mostly personal, with comments about family, friends, and events. Included is Secretary of War Henry Stimson's final news conference statement (dated September 19, 1945, and which mentions Marshall), and a news release and biography on General Wade Haislip, concerning his retirement. There is also a letter from Col. Walter Grant to Palmer re a reception for Pershing at Union Station, September 1919.

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION AND ARRANGEMENT:

The papers are arranged chronologically within one folder and are copies of the originals.

RESTRICTIONS: None
LOCATION: Minor Collections File Cabinet
COLLECTION REGISTER AVAILABLE: No