George S. Patton Papers

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Collection Summary

Title: George S. Patton Papers
Span Dates: 1807-1979
Bulk Dates: (bulk 1904-1945)
ID No.: MSS35634
Creator: Patton, George S. (George Smith), 1885-1945
Extent: 26,100 items ; 78 containers plus 23 oversize ; 40 linear feet ; 10 microfilm reels
Language: Collection material in English
Repository: Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.
Abstract: United States Army officer. Correspondence, memoranda, diaries, journals, writings, speeches and lectures, military papers, scrapbooks, military publications, maps, photographs, and other papers relating primarily to Patton's military career as a student at the U.S. Military Academy (1904-1909), member of John J. Pershing's Punitive Expedition into Mexico (1916), aide-de-camp to Pershing and later tank commander in Europe during World War I, and commander of forces in Europe and North Africa during World War II.

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

People
Allen, Terry de la Mesa, 1888-1969--Correspondence.
Arnold, Henry Harley, 1886-1950--Correspondence.
Ayer, Charles Fanning, 1865-1956--Correspondence.
Ayer, Frederick, 1917?-1974--Correspondence.
Bradley, Omar Nelson, 1893-1981--Correspondence.
Brown, Arvin H.--Correspondence.
Clark, Mark W. (Mark Wayne), 1896-1984--Correspondence.
Clay, Lucius D. (Lucius DuBignon), 1897-1978--Correspondence.
Codman, Charles R.--Correspondence.
Crittenberger, Willis Dale, 1890-1980--Correspondence.
Devers, Jacob L. (Jacob Loucks), 1887-1979--Correspondence.
Dillingham, Walter Francis, 1875-1968--Correspondence.
Doolittle, James Harold, 1896-1993--Correspondence.
Eddy, Manton S. (Manton Sprague), 1892-1962--Correspondence.
Eisenhower, Dwight D. (Dwight David), 1890-1969--Correspondence.
Ennis, Riley Finlay, 1897- --Correspondence.
Flint, Harry Albert, d. 1944--Correspondence.
Gay, Hobart R. (Hobart Raymond), 1894- --Correspondence.
George, Charles P., 1886-1946--Correspondence.
Gillem, Alvan Cullom, 1888-1973--Correspondence.
Grow, Robert W., 1895-1985--Correspondence.
Haislip, Wade H. (Wade Hampton), 1889-1971--Correspondence.
Handy, Thomas T. (Thomas Troy), 1892-1982--Correspondence.
Harbord, James G. (James Guthrie), 1866-1947--Correspondence.
Harmon, Ernest Nason, 1894-1979--Correspondence.
Henry, Guy Vernor, 1839-1899--Correspondence.
Hodges, Courtney H., 1887-1966--Correspondence.
Joyce, Kenyon Ashe, 1879-1960--Correspondence.
Juin, Alphonse, 1888-1967--Correspondence.
Keyes, Geoffrey, 1888-1967--Correspondence.
Lee, John Clifford Hodges, 1887-1958--Correspondence.
Lodge, Henry Cabot, 1902-1985--Correspondence.

Lucas, John Porter, 1890-1949--Correspondence.
Marshall, George C. (George Catlett), 1880-1959--Correspondence.
McNair, Lesley James, 1883-1944--Correspondence.
Merrill, Keith, 1887-1959--Correspondence.
Middleton, Troy H. (Troy Houston), 1889-1976--Correspondence.
Miles, Sherman, 1882-1966--Correspondence.
Noguès, Charles, 1876-1971--Correspondence.
Oliphant, Elmer Q. (Elmer Quillen), 1893-1975--Correspondence.
Parks, Floyd Lavinius, 1896-1959--Correspondence.
Patton, Beatrice Banning Ayer, 1886-1953--Correspondence.
Patton, George S. (George Smith), 1885-1945--Correspondence.
Patton, George S. (George Smith), 1885-1945.
Paul, Willard Stewart, 1894-1966--Correspondence.
Pershing, John J. (John Joseph), 1860-1948--Correspondence.
Pershing, John J. (John Joseph), 1860-1948.
Scott, Charles L. (Charles Lewis), 1883-1954--Correspondence.
Simpson, William H. (William Hood), 1888-1980--Correspondence.
Smith, Walter Bedell, 1895-1961--Correspondence.
Somervell, Brehon Burke, 1892-1955--Correspondence.
Spaatz, Carl, 1891-1974--Correspondence.
Stimson, Henry L. (Henry Lewis), 1867-1950--Correspondence.
Summerall, Charles Pelot, 1867-1955--Correspondence.
Surles, Alexander D. (Alexander Day), 1886-1947--Correspondence.
Truscott, Lucian King, 1895-1965--Correspondence.
Ulio, James Alexander, 1882-1958--Correspondence.
Walker, Walton Harris, 1889-1950--Correspondence.
Wallace, Frederick C.--Correspondence.
Williams, J. J. Bethurun--Correspondence.
Wood, John Shirley, 1888-1966--Correspondence.

Organizations
United States Military Academy.
United States. Army--History--Punitive Expedition into Mexico, 1916.

Subjects
Cavalry.
Denazification.
Refugees.
Sabers.
Tank warfare.
War casualties.
World War, 1914-1918--Europe--Tank warfare.
World War, 1939-1945--Africa, North.
World War, 1939-1945--Campaigns--Africa, North.
World War, 1939-1945--Campaigns--France--Normandy.
World War, 1939-1945--Campaigns--Germany.
World War, 1939-1945--Campaigns--Italy--Sicily.
World War, 1939-1945--Europe.

Occupations
Army officers.

Administrative Information

Provenance

The papers of George S. Patton, army officer and author, were given to the Library of Congress in 1955 by Mrs. Samuel J. Graham and in 1964 by George S. Patton III, Mrs. James W. Totten, John Knight Waters, Jr., and George Patton Waters. Additional material was received from the Patton family, some via Martin Blumenson, and from Culbreth Sudler, Jr., from 1970 to 1986.

Processing History

The papers of George S. Patton were arranged and described in 1964. Additional material was incorporated into the collection in 1979 and 1995. The collection description was expanded and revised in 1998.

Transfers

Duplicate maps have been transferred to the Library's Geography and Map Division where they are identified as part of these papers.

Copyright Status

Copyright in the unpublished writings of George S. Patton in these papers and in other collections of papers in the custody of the Library of Congress has been dedicated to the public.

Access and Restrictions

The papers of George S. Patton are open to research. Researchers are advised to contact the Manuscript Reading Room prior to visiting. Many collections are stored off-site and advance notice is needed to retrieve these items for research use.

Microfilm

A microfilm edition of a portion of these papers is available from the Library's Photoduplication Service for purchase subject to the Copyright Law of the United States (Title 17, U.S.C.). A microfilm copy of one volume of Patton's diary on one reel may be requested on interlibrary loan through the Library's Loan Division. The United States Department of the Army's two reels of microfilm containing Patton's personnel file and the microfilm of the scrapbooks on seven reels are not available for interlibrary loan. To promote preservation of the originals, researchers are required to consult the microfilm edition as available.

Preferred Citation

Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: Container or reel number, George S. Patton Papers, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Biographical Note

Date	*Event*
1885, Nov. 11	Born, San Gabriel, Calif.
1903-1904	Attended Virginia Military Institute, Lexington, Va.
1909	Graduated, United States Military Academy, West Point, N.Y. Assigned to Fifteenth United States Cavalry, Fort Sheridan, Ill., and Fort Myer, Va.
1910	Married Beatrice Banning Ayer
1912	Member, American team, XII Olympiad, Stockholm, Sweden, finishing fifth in modern pentathlon

1912-1913	Attended French cavalry school, Saumur, France
1913	Graduated, United States Cavalry School, Fort Riley, Kans.
1913-1915	Instructor in weapons, United States Cavalry School, Fort Riley, Kans.
1915-1916	Assigned to Eighth United States Cavalry, Fort Bliss, Tex.
1916-1917	Aide-de-camp to General John J. Pershing, Mexican Punitive Expedition
1917	Aide-de-camp to General John J. Pershing, Commander-in-Chief, American Expeditionary Forces Commanded Headquarters Troop, American Expeditionary Forces
1917-1918	Detailed as first member of American Tank Corps and attended French Tank School, Camplieu, France Organized American Tank School, Langres, France
1918	Promoted to temporary rank of lieutenant colonel
1918-1921	Commander, 304th Tank Brigade
1919-1921	Invented a coaxial gun mount
1921-1922	Commander, First Squadron, Third United States Cavalry, Fort Myer, Va.
1923-1928	United States Army General Staff, Boston, Mass., 1923-1924; Hawaii, 1924-1928
1928-1931	Served in Office of the Chief of Cavalry, United States Army
1932	Graduated, United States Army War College
1932-1935	Executive officer, Third United States Cavalry, Fort Myer, Va.
1934	Promoted to lieutenant colonel
1935-1937	G-2, United States Army General Staff, Hawaiian Department
1938	Promoted to colonel Commander, Fifth United States Cavalry, Fort Clark, Tex.
1938-1940	Commander, Third United States Cavalry, Fort Myer, Va.
1940	Promoted to brigadier general
1940-1941	Commander, Second Armored Brigade, Second Armored Division, Fort Benning, Ga.
1941	Promoted to major general
1941-1942	Commander, Second Armored Division, Fort Benning, Ga.
1942	Commander, I Armored Corps, First and Second Armored Divisions

1942-1943	Commanded Western Task Force during Allied landings and subsequent campaign in North Africa Transferred to command of United States II Corps
1943	Promoted to lieutenant general Relinquished command of II Corps to Omar Nelson Bradley Resumed command of I Armored Corps in preparation for invasion of Sicily
1943-1944	Commanded Seventh United States Army in Sicilian campaign
1944	Ordered to England to take command of Third United States Army in preparation for invasion of France
1944-1945	Commanded Third United States Army in drive across France, Germany, Czechoslovakia, and Austria
1945	Commander, Fifteenth United States Army
1945, Dec. 21	Died, Heidelberg, Germany

Scope and Content Note

The papers of George Smith Patton (1885-1945) span the years 1807-1979, with the bulk of the papers concentrated from 1904 to 1945. The collection documents Patton's military career, including his attendance at the United States Military Academy at West Point, 1904-1909; his service on the Mexican border as a member of John J. Pershing's Mexican Punitive Expedition, 1916-1917; his service as an aide-de-camp to Pershing and later as a tank commander in World War I, 1917-1919; and his military career from 1938 to 1945. The majority of the papers chronicle Patton's World War II service and his success as one of America's most skillful combat commanders of armored troops. The papers consist of eleven series: Diaries, Chronological File, Family Papers, Correspondence, Military Papers, Military Library, Maps, Photographs, Speeches and Writings File, Miscellany, and Oversize. Most of the series relate to Patton's personal and military activities and his leadership in the development and tactical use of the tank as a combat weapon. Additional papers concerning Patton's service in World War I are in the Chester Fritz Library of the University of North Dakota located near Grand Forks, North Dakota.

The Diaries, 1910-1945, illustrate Patton's activities during the Mexican Punitive Expedition, World War I, and World War II. The volumes, particularly from 1942 to 1945, document Patton's daily activities and observations and reveal his candor about himself, personally and professionally. They include information about American ground combat operations in the campaign for North Africa, the invasion of Sicily, the liberation of France, and the final assault on Germany. Annotated volumes covering World War II often contain additional detail expanding on the original volume entries. The original diaries are dated through 24 March 1945, while annotated transcripts continue to 3 December 1945. The Library did not receive the latter portion of the original diaries. Additional topics include Patton's honeymoon trip to Europe in 1910 and his fox hunting activities, 1932-1935.

The Chronological File, 1901-1977, provides an overview of Patton's life, serving as a combination diary-scrapbook consisting mainly of diary entries, correspondence, memoranda, and reports. Approximately one half of the series is in transcript form. The originals of these transcripts are located in other series. This series also contains original items, primarily correspondence, that do not appear in any other series.

The Family Papers, 1857-1979, consist mainly of Patton's letters to his wife, Beatrice Banning Ayer Patton, and his father, George S. Patton (1856-1927). Early letters chronicle Patton's struggle as a student at West Point. His letters to his wife are detailed and, like the diaries, contain frank assessments of commanders, subordinates, and military operations. Patton shared not only his achievements with his wife but also some of the negative incidents that affected his career, such as the reaction in November 1943 when the press reported that he had slapped two soldiers suffering battle fatigue in Sicily and his remarks in a speech in Knutsford, England, in April 1944 omitting inclusions of Russia as one of the countries likely to

rule the postwar world with the United States and Great Britain. Both incidents threatened his career and almost resulted in his removal from the war. Also in the Family Papers are correspondence of Beatrice Patton and an autobiographical account of Patton's memories of his father. There is a significant amount of printed matter of George H. Smith, Patton's step-grandfather, concerning the Civil War battle of New Market, Virginia.

Papers in the Correspondence series, 1903-1945, include incoming and outgoing correspondence between Patton and his staff, commanders, government officials, friends, and the general public. Because many of Patton's friends and colleagues were in the military, there is a significant amount of material in the chronological correspondence that relates to military matters. The official correspondence documents the planning of various combat operations, particularly for the Allied invasion of Sicily and D-Day planning for France and reflects Patton's varied duties as a commander. The topical correspondence includes fan mail, inquiries on casualties, furloughs and discharges, the slapping incidents in Sicily, and Christmas and get-well letters sent to Patton after his automobile accident in December 1945.

The Military Papers, 1903-1976, consist of administrative files, Patton's personnel file, and a subject file. The bulk of the series illustrates Patton's duties while a combat commander from 1942 to 1945. The files include orders, citations, memoranda, speeches, training instructions, policy and procedural material, and reports concerning units Patton commanded. Speeches made by Patton to his troops during World War II were originally filed in the Military Papers, and this order has been retained. Duplicates of some of these speeches are filed in the Speeches and Writings File. Documents relating to Patton's personnel file include both personal and official papers. The official papers are included in a microfilm copy of Patton's file in the records of the Department of the Army. Prominent topics featured in the subject file are the cavalry, casualty information, denazification of Germany, displaced persons, and tanks. Much of the material relating to tanks concerns the development of that vehicle and the tactics of armored warfare. The series also contains material relating to Patton's death and funeral.

The Military Library series, 1907-1947, includes class publications from West Point, intelligence and campaign reports, and other material relating to military tactics. The majority of the series consists of campaign reports pertaining to France and Germany.

Items in the Maps series, 1906-1945, reflect Patton's interest in cartography. Most of the items are situation maps of the European theater and commemorative maps of the United States Third Army's operations in Europe. A map of Western Europe, marked by Patton in March 1944 prior to the development of campaign plans, illustrates with remarkable accuracy the projected route that the Third Army would take in its advance across France and Germany.

The Photographs series, 1864-1958, consist primarily of items relating to Patton's military career, although there are a few family photographs in the "Miscellaneous" folders. Locations featured in the World War II pictures include North Africa, Sicily, England, France, and Germany. Also well represented are Patton's years at the military academy at West Point, his tenure at Fort Meade, Maryland, and his service with the Mexican Punitive Expedition. World War II "Miscellaneous" folders include photographs, some autographed, of Patton's superiors and fellow officers.

Papers in the Speeches and Writings File, 1900-1947, consist chiefly of articles, speeches, reports, lectures, book reviews, memoranda, poetry, and memoirs. A few writings of others interfiled in this series with Patton's texts are listed in a partial index compiled by Patton. Prominent topics featured in Patton's writings include the saber, the cavalry, mechanization, tanks, and tank tactics. Patton's writings illustrate his early interest in armored warfare and indicate his belief in the tank as an important combat weapon long before its success in World War II. A 1937 paper entitled "Surprise" includes Patton's prediction of an attack by Japan on Pearl Harbor.

The Miscellany series, 1911-1966, includes biographical information, certificates and citations, reports, and printed matter relating chiefly to Patton's participation in the pentathlon in the 1912 Olympics in Stockholm, his interests in fencing and swordsmanship, and his attendance at the Mounted Service School, Fort Riley, Kansas. Also documented in the series are the various medals and honors awarded Patton during his lifetime and posthumously. The Oversize series, 1807-1951, consists principally of maps, overlays, photograph albums, and scrapbooks of newspaper clippings, correspondence, photographs, and other printed matter.

Prominent among Patton's correspondents are Harold Alexander (Earl Alexander of Tunis), Terry de la Mesa Allen, Henry Harley Arnold, Charles Fanning Ayer, Frederick Ayer, Omar Nelson Bradley, Arvin H. Brown, Mark W. Clark, Lucius D. Clay, Charles R. Codman, Willis Dale Crittenberger, Jacob L. Devers, Walter Francis Dillingham, James Harold Doolittle, Manton S. Eddy, Dwight D. Eisenhower, Riley Finlay Ennis, Harry Albert Flint, Hobart R. Gay, Charles P. George, Alvan

Cullom Gillem, Jr., Robert W. Grow, Wade H. Haislip, Thomas T. Handy, James G. Harbord, Ernest Nason Harmon, Guy Vernor Henry, Courtney H. Hodges, Kenyon Ashe Joyce, Alphonse Juin, Geoffrey Keyes, John Clifford Hodges Lee, Henry Cabot Lodge, John Porter Lucas, Lesley James McNair, George C. Marshall, Keith Merrill, Troy H. Middleton, Sherman Miles, Charles (August Paul) Noguès, Elmer Q. Oliphant, Floyd Lavinius Parks, Willard Stewart Paul, John J. Pershing, Charles L. Scott, William H. Simpson, Walter Bedell Smith, Brehon Burke Somervell, Carl Spaatz, Henry Lewis Stimson, Charles Pelot Summerall, Alexander D. Surles, Lucian King Truscott, James Alexander Ulio, Walton Harris Walker, Frederick C. Wallace, J. J. Bethurun Williams, and John Shirley Wood.

Throughout his papers, Patton used nicknames, abbreviations, and code words to denote certain persons and operations. The following names and words are found primarily in his World War II diaries and correspondence and the chronological file for those years:

- "Ike," "d," "D," "Destiny"--Dwight D. Eisenhower
- "Brad," "tent maker"--Omar Nelson Bradley
- "P"--John Shirley Wood
- "Hap"--Henry Harley Arnold
- "Critt"--Willis Dale Crittenberger
- "Jake"--Jacob L. Devers
- "Tody"--Charles P. George
- "Van"--Alvan Cullom Gillem, Jr.
- "Beadle"--Walter Bedell Smith
- "Tooey"--Carl Spaatz
- "Day"--Alexander D. Surles
- "Paddy"--Harry Albert Flint
- "Husky"--Allied invasion of Sicily, 10 July 1943
- "Bigot"--D-Day planning, 1944

Organization of the Papers

The collection is arranged in twelve series:

- Diaries, 1910-1945
- Chronological File, 1901-1977
- Family Papers, 1857-1979
- Correspondence, 1903-1945
- Military Papers, 1903-1976
- Military Library, 1907-1947
- Maps, 1906-1945
- Photographs, 1864-1958
- Speeches and Writings File, 1900-1947
- Miscellany, 1911-1966
- Manuscript Material Removed from Scrapbooks After Microfilming, 1807-1950
- Oversize, 1807-1951

Description of Series

Container	*Series*
BOX 1-3	**Diaries, 1910-1945** Holograph and typewritten diaries, bound and unbound. Arranged in two groups, original and annotated transcripts, and therein chronologically. The diary for Sept. 24-Mar. 5, 1943, is available on microfilm. Shelf no. 20,613.
BOX 4-14	**Chronological File, 1901-1977** A collection of diary entries, correspondence, school papers, memoranda, reports, photographs, articles, speeches, lectures, maps, notebooks, orders, citations, newspaper clippings, printed matter, and other material. Arranged chronologically.
BOX 14-24	**Family Papers, 1857-1979** Correspondence between Patton and family members with attachments and enclosures, genealogical material, printed matter, and miscellaneous papers relating to the family. Arranged alphabetically by type of material and therein by name of family member.
BOX 25-45	**Correspondence, 1903-1945** Chronological, official, and topical correspondence, with attached and appended material, between Patton and his staff, army officials, friends, acquaintances, and the general public. Arranged alphabetically by type of correspondence and therein chronologically, although the topical correspondence is arranged alphabetically by topic and therein chronologically.
BOX 45-55	**Military Papers, 1903-1976** Correspondence, memoranda, reports, orders, citations, speeches, photographs, training instructions, policy and procedural material, Patton's personnel file, and printed matter. Arranged alphabetically into three categories: administrative file, personnel "201" file, and subject file. The files within the categories are further arranged alphabetically by name of person, topic, or type of material, with the exception of the administrative file which is arranged chronologically. Includes two reels of microfilm of Patton's official personnel file, the originals of which are not in the collection. Shelf no. 17,250.
BOX 56-58	**Military Library, 1907-1947** Reports, printed matter, near-print material, and typed notes. Arranged chronologically.
BOX 59-60	**Maps, 1906-1945** Maps from various phases of Patton's military career. Arranged alphabetically by topic and therein chronologically.
BOX 60-64	**Photographs, 1864-1958** Bound and unbound photographs. Arranged alphabetically by topic or type of material and therein chronologically.
BOX 64-74	**Speeches and Writings File, 1900-1947** Holograph, typescript, near-print, and published copies of articles, speeches, lectures, book reviews, memoranda, reports, field manuals, instructional material, poetry, and memoirs.

Arranged alphabetically by type of material and therein chronologically.

BOX 74-75 **Miscellany, 1911-1966**

Memoranda, reports, biographical information, citations, certificates, photographs, near-print and printed matter, notes and notebooks, postcards, and newspaper clippings.

Arranged by name of person or organization, topic, or type of material and therein chronologically.

BOX 76-78 **Manuscript Material Removed from Scrapbooks After Microfilming, 1807-1950**

Correspondence, photographs, certificates, calling cards, and other material retained after microfilming. Once the scrapbooks were microfilmed, the volumes, OV 23-OV 49, were destroyed.

BOX OV 1-OV 50 **Oversize, 1807-1951**

Oversize material consisting of maps, diagrams and blueprints, overlays, photographs, charts, posters, a report, and scrapbooks.

Organized and described according to the series from which the items were removed. Scrapbooks constitute a separate grouping within the oversize series.

Scrapbooks OV 23-OV 49 are available only on microfilm. Shelf no. 21,850.

Container List

Container	*Contents*
BOX 1-3	**Diaries, 1910-1945**
	Holograph and typewritten diaries, bound and unbound.
	Arranged in two groups, original and annotated transcripts, and therein chronologically.
	The diary for Sept. 24-Mar. 5, 1943, is available on microfilm. Shelf no. 20,613.
BOX 1	Original
	1910, 1914-1919, 1942-1945
	(12 folders)
	Diary for Sept. 24, 1942-Mar.5, 1943, is available on microfilm. Shelf no. 20,613
BOX 2	Annotated transcripts
	1916-1919, 1932-1935, 1942-1943
	(15 folders)
BOX 3	1943-1945
	(13 folders)
BOX 4-14	**Chronological File, 1901-1977**
	A collection of diary entries, correspondence, school papers, memoranda, reports, photographs, articles, speeches, lectures, maps, notebooks, orders, citations, newspaper clippings, printed matter, and other material.
	Arranged chronologically.
BOX 4	1901-1906
	(16 folders)
BOX 5	1907-1913
	(17 folders)
BOX 6	1914-1916
	(12 folders)
	1917
	Jan.-Aug.
	(5 folders)
BOX 7	Sept.-Dec.
	(6 folders)
	1918
	Jan.-Mar.
	(7 folders)
BOX 8	Apr.-Sept.
	(17 folders) ; *See also Oversize*
BOX 9	Oct.-Dec.
	(7 folders) ; *See also Oversize*
	1919-1920
	(12 folders) ; *See also Oversize*
BOX 10	1922-1942
	(12 folders) ; *See also Oversize*

Container	*Contents*
	1943
	Jan.-Apr.
	(5 folders)
BOX 11	May-Dec.
	(13 folders)
	1944
	Jan.-Apr.
	(4 folders)
BOX 12	May-Dec.
	(17 folders) ; *See also Oversize*
	1945
	Jan.
	(2 folders)
BOX 13	Feb.-Oct.
	(17 folders)
	Nov.
	1-11
	(2 folders)
BOX 14	12-29
	(2 folders)
	Dec.
	(2 folders) ; *See also Oversize*
	1946-1963, 1970-1971, 1977, undated
	(9 folders)
BOX 14-24	**Family Papers, 1857-1979**
	Correspondence between Patton and family members with attachments and enclosures, genealogical material, printed matter, and miscellaneous papers relating to the family.
	Arranged alphabetically by type of material and therein by name of family member.
BOX 14	Correspondence
	Ayer, Charles Fanning (brother-in-law), 1917, 1943-1945
	Ayer, Ellen Barrows Banning (mother-in-law) and Frederick (father-in-law), 1908-1918
	(3 folders)
	Ayer, Frederick, (bother-in-law), 1930, 1942-1945
	(2 folders)
	Patton, Anne ("Nita") (sister), 1909, 1918-1919, 1931, 1941-1945
	Patton, Beatrice Banning Ayer (wife)
	Original
	1903-1907
	(2 folders)
BOX 15	1908-1915
	(15 folders)
	1916
	Jan.-Aug.
	(6 folders)
BOX 16	Sept.-Dec.
	(4 folders)

Container	*Contents*
	1917-1919
	(20 folders)
BOX 17	1922-1943
	(21 folders)
BOX 18	1944
	(14 folders)
	1945
	Jan.-Feb.
	(2 folders)
BOX 19	Mar.-Dec.
	(8 folders)
	Annotated typescripts
	Set A, 1942-1944
	(10 folders)
BOX 20	Set B, 1942-1943
	(4 folders)
	Patton, George S. (1856-1927) (father)
	1903-1917
	(14 folders)
BOX 21	1918-1920, 1926-1927
	(2 folders)
	Patton, George S. (1923-) (son), 1939-1945
	(4 folders)
	Patton, Ruth Wilson (mother), 1904-1919
	Wilson, Annie (aunt), 1904-1919, 1926-1928
	(4 folders)
	Other family members, 1905, 1917-1918, 1941-1945, undated
	(2 folders)
	Miscellany
	Genealogical material, 1913, 1928, undated
	Oddments, 1859-1860, 1918, 1943-1945
	Patton, Beatrice Banning Ayer (wife)
	Correspondence
	Ayer, Ellen Barrows Banning and Frederick, 1916-1917
	Condolence letters re Patton's death
	Bound, 1945
BOX 22	Unbound, 1945-1946
	(5 folders)
	General
	1914-1919, 1925, 1943-1946
	(15 folders)
BOX 23	1947-1953, undated
	(6 folders)
	Patton, George S. (1856-1927) and Ruth Wilson, 1912-1919
	Patton, George S. (1923-), 1943-1946
	Waters, Beatrice Patton (daughter), 1946

Container	*Contents*
	Wilson, Annie, 1902-1920
	(3 folders)
	Miscellany, 1910, 1942-1950, undated
	Patton, George S. (1833-1864) (grandfather), 1864
	Patton, George S. (1856-1927) (father)
	Correspondence, 1902-1908
	(2 folders)
	"My Memories of Papa," by Patton, 1927
	Patton, George S. (1923-) (son), 1943-1949, 1972, 1979
	(3 folders)
BOX 24	Patton, Ruth Wilson (mother), 1884, 1903-1904
	Smith, George H. (step-grandfather), 1857, 1867, 1873, 1905-1914, undated
	(15 folders)
	Totten, Ruth Ellen Patton (daughter), 1945-1946
BOX 25-45	**Correspondence, 1903-1945**
	Chronological, official, and topical correspondence, with attached and appended material, between Patton and his staff, army officials, friends, acquaintances, and the general public.
	Arranged alphabetically by type of correspondence and therein chronologically, although the topical correspondence is arranged alphabetically by topic and therein chronologically.
BOX 25	Chronological
	1903-1940
	(19 folders)
BOX 26	1941
	(12 folders)
	1942
	A-R
	(11 folders)
BOX 27	S-Y
	(4 folders)
	1943
	A-S
	(19 folders)
BOX 28	T-W *See also Oversize*
	1944
	A-P
	(16 folders)
BOX 29	Q-Y
	(6 folders)
	1945
	A-F
	(12 folders)
BOX 30	G-P
	(16 folders)
BOX 31	Q-Z
	(13 folders)
	Official

Container	*Contents*
	1942
	A-D
	(4 folders)
BOX 32	E-W
	(6 folders)
	1943
	A-K
	(14 folders)
BOX 33	L-W
	(7 folders)
	1944
	A-K
	(13 folders)
BOX 34	L-W
	(15 folders)
	1945
	A-C
	(6 folders)
BOX 35	D-W
	(17 folders)
	Topical
	Casualty inquiries, 1943-1945
	A-D
	(3 folders)
BOX 36	E-Z
	(12 folders)
BOX 37	Christmas and get-well greetings after automobile accident, 1945
	(3 vols.)
BOX 38	(3 vols.)
BOX 39	(1 vol.)
	Crank file, 1944-1945
	Fan mail
	1943
	(2 folders)
	1944
	Jan.-Aug.
	(4 folders)
BOX 40	Sept.-Nov.
	(11 folders)
BOX 41	Dec.
	(3 folders)
	1945
	Jan.-Apr.
	(11 folders)
BOX 42	May-Oct.
	(18 folders)
BOX 43	Nov.-Dec.
	(3 folders)

Container	*Contents*
	Undated
	Furloughs and discharges, 1943-1945
	(3 folders)
	Miscellaneous inquiries and requests, 1943-1945
	(5 folders)
	Slapping incidents, Sicily
	Originals, 1943-1944
	A-L
	(4 folders)
BOX 44	M-W
	(4 folders)
	Unidentified, 1943
	Typescripts, 1943-1944
	(4 folders)
	Thank you letters and acknowledgments
	1943
	(3 folders)
	1944
	Jan.-Oct.
	(3 folders)
BOX 45	Topical
	Thank you letters and acknowledgments
	1944
	Nov.-Dec.
	(2 folders)
	1945
	(9 folders)
BOX 45-55	**Military Papers, 1903-1976**
	Correspondence, memoranda, reports, orders, citations, speeches, photographs, training instructions, policy and procedural material, Patton's personnel file, and printed matter.
	Arranged alphabetically into three categories: administrative file, personnel "201" file, and subject file. The files within the categories are further arranged alphabetically by name of person, topic, or type of material, with the exception of the administrative file which is arranged chronologically.
	Includes two reels of microfilm of Patton's official personnel file, the originals of which are not in the collection. Shelf no. 17,250.
BOX 45	Administrative file
	1941-1942
	(5 folders)
	1943
	Jan.-June
	(4 folders)
BOX 46	July-Dec.
	(10 folders) ; *See also Oversize*
	1944
	(7 folders) ; *See also Oversize*

Container	*Contents*
BOX 47	1945, undated
	(10 folders) ; *See also Oversize*
	Personnel "201" file
	Personal file kept by Patton
	1903-1932
	(7 folders)
BOX 48	1937-1943
	(20 folders)
BOX 49	1944-1945
	(11 folders) ; *See also Oversize*
REEL 1	United States Department of the Army records
	Available only on microfilm. Two reels, shelf no. 17,250. Documents damaged in the St. Louis fire were placed in polyester film envelopes and interfiled chronologically before filming.
	Evaluations
	Citations, commendations, decorations
	1918-1945, 1970, undated
	Efficiency reports and efficiency file, 1918-1945
	Ratings and memorandum records, 1917-1940
	General
	1917-1957
REEL 2	1961-1976, undated
	Punch cards change, International Business Machine Corp. records, 1938-1945
	Report of change slips, 1919-1942
	Medical records, 1904-1948, undated
	Subject file
	Airborne troops, investigation into friendly fire incident by ground troops, 1944
	Bastogne operation, 1944-1945 *See also Oversize*
	Casualty information
	General, 1944-1945
	(3 folders)
	Reports
	1944
	Aug.
	(2 folders)
BOX 50	Sept.-Dec.
	(8 folders)
	1945
	(9 folders)
	Cavalry, 1926-1931, undated
	(2 folders)
BOX 51	Citations, 1944-1945
	(5 folders)
	Death and funeral of Patton, 1945-1946
	(2 folders)
	Denazification of Germany, 1945
	(3 folders)

Container	*Contents*
	Displaced persons, 1945
	(3 folders)
BOX 52	Financial papers
	1917
	(8 folders)
	1943-1945
	(3 folders)
	Flint, Harry Albert ("Paddy"), 1944
	French Second Division, 1944, undated
	(2 folders) ; *See also Oversize*
	G-3 (operations)
	Overlays, 1943 *See Oversize*
	Reports, 1943
	(2 folders)
	German generals, captured, interviews, 1944-1945
BOX 53	Liberation of Paris, France, and other cities and towns, 1944-1945
	Maneuver impressions, 1940
	Miscellany
	1917-1935, 1943-1945
	(4 folders) ; *See also Oversize*
	Press, 1944-1945, undated
	(2 folders)
	Second Armored Division
	General, 1940
	Training memoranda, 1940-1942
	Tanks
	Christie tank and tactical papers notebook, 1926-1929
BOX 54	Drawings, 1919
	General, 1917-1920, 1930-1931, 1941-1944, undated
	(9 folders) ; *See also Oversize*
	Mechanical features, 1918-1919
	Photograph albums *See also Container 61*, World War I
	1916-1931
	(3 folders)
BOX 55	1918-1919
	Reports
	General, 1917-1919
	(3 folders)
	Officer reports from personal experience, 1918
	(2 folders)
	Tactics, 1929-1931, 1941-1942
	(4 folders)
BOX 56-58	**Military Library, 1907-1947**
	Reports, printed matter, near-print material, and typed notes.
	Arranged chronologically.

Container	*Contents*
BOX 56	1907-1927
	(9 folders)
BOX 57	1930-1944
	(10 folders) ; *See also Oversize*
BOX 58	1945-1947, undated
	(9 folders)
BOX 59-60	**Maps, 1906-1945**
	Maps from various phases of Patton's military career.
	Arranged alphabetically by topic and therein chronologically.
BOX 59	Miscellaneous, 1906, 1913 *See Oversize*
	World War I, 1918 *See also Oversize*
	World War II
	European theater
	Situation maps
	1944
	(12 folders)
BOX 60	1945
	(8 folders)
	Third army unit, operations, 1944-1945 *See Oversize*
	Germany, road maps, 1944-1945 *See Oversize*
	Miscellany, 1943-1945, undated *See also Oversize*
BOX 60-64	**Photographs, 1864-1958**
	Bound and unbound photographs.
	Arranged alphabetically by topic or type of material and therein chronologically.
BOX 60	Early career
	Fort Bliss, Tex., 1915-1916
	Fort Meade, Md., 1919-1920 *See also Oversize*
	Mexican Punitive Expedition, 1916-1917
	Miscellany, 1920-1925
	Olympics, 1912
	United States Military Academy, West Point, N.Y., 1909
BOX 61	Miscellaneous
	1864, 1893, 1930, 1939, 1950-1958, undated
	(7 folders) ; *See also Oversize*
	World War I, 1917-1918
	(3 folders) ; *See also Containers 54-55,* Photograph albums
BOX 62	World War II
	Albums *See Oversize*
	Unbound photographs
	Concentration camps, 1945
	(3 folders)
	Europe, 1944-1945
	(15 folders)

Container	*Contents*
BOX 63	Miscellaneous, 1943-1945, undated
	(6 folders)
	North Africa, 1942
	Sicily
	1943
	(6 folders)
BOX 64	(2 folders)
	circa 1943-circa 1944
	(3 folders)
BOX 64-74	**Speeches and Writings File, 1900-1947**
	Holograph, typescript, near-print, and published copies of articles, speeches, lectures, book reviews, memoranda, reports, field manuals, instructional material, poetry, and memoirs. Arranged alphabetically by type of material and therein chronologically.
BOX 64	Book, *War As I Knew It* (1947)
	Appendices and notes
	Corrected typescript
	(4 folders)
	Draft
	(3 folders)
BOX 65	(5 folders)
	General
	Published copy
BOX 66	General
	Index, partial, undated
	Texts
	1900-1917
	(12 folders)
BOX 67	1918
	(6 folders)
	1919
	Jan.
	Feb.
	(5 folders)
BOX 68	(2 folders)
	Apr.-Oct.
	(3 folders)
	1920-1927
	(7 folders)
BOX 69	1928-1930
	(12 folders) ; *See also Oversize*
BOX 70	1931-1935
	(12 folders)
BOX 71	1936-1943, undated
	(13 folders)
BOX 72	Notebooks and notes

Container	*Contents*
	1905-1931
	(9 folders)
BOX 73	1933-1941, undated
	(9 folders)
BOX 74	Poetry
	By Patton
	Notebook of texts, 1916-1921
	Unbound texts, 1903-1927, 1943-1945, undated
	(5 folders)
	By others, 1918, 1944-1945, undated
	Research material
	German military methods, 1934-1939
	Miscellany, 1929-1931
BOX 74-75	**Miscellany, 1911-1966**
	Memoranda, reports, biographical information, citations, certificates, photographs, near-print and printed matter, notes and notebooks, postcards, and newspaper clippings.
	Arranged by name of person or organization, topic, or type of material and therein chronologically.
BOX 74	Biographical information, 1943, 1953, undated
	Fencing, swordsmanship, Mounted Service School, Fort Riley, Kans., 1911-1915, undated
	(4 folders)
BOX 75	Koch, Oscar W., 1966
	Medals and other honors, 1918, 1925, 1943-1951, undated
	(2 folders) ; *See also Oversize*
	Oddments, 1918, 1928-1931, 1943-1947, 1961-1966, undated
	(4 folders) ; *See also Oversize*
	Olympics, 1912
	(2 folders)
	Patton Hall, Fort Riley, Kans., 1946
	Patton Museum, Armored Center, Fort Knox, Ky., 1948-1949
	Postcards, 1945, undated
	Printed matter, 1916-1917, 1942-1945, 1963-1966, undated
BOX 76-78	**Manuscript Material Removed from Scrapbooks After Microfilming, 1807-1950**
	Correspondence, photographs, certificates, calling cards, and other material retained after microfilming. Once the scrapbooks were microfilmed, the volumes, OV 23-OV 49, were destroyed.
BOX 76	Vols. OV 23-OV 27, 1807, 1877, 1899, 1908, 1917-1919, 1932-1934, 1944-1950, undated
	(7 folders) ; *See also Oversize*
BOX 77	Vols. OV 28-OV 34, 1941-1942
	(8 folders) ; *See also Oversize*

Container	*Contents*
BOX 78	Vols. OV 35-OV 49, 1939-1946
	(14 folders) ; *See also Oversize*
BOX OV 1-OV 50	**Oversize, 1807-1951**
	Oversize material consisting of maps, diagrams and blueprints, overlays, photographs, charts, posters, a report, and scrapbooks.
	Organized and described according to the series from which the items were removed. Scrapbooks constitute a separate grouping within the oversize series.
	Scrapbooks OV 23-OV 49 are available only on microfilm. Shelf no. 21,850.
BOX OV 1	Chronological File
	1918
	Apr.-May (Container 8)
	Sept. (Container 8)
	Nov. (Container 9)
	1919
	Jan. (Container 9)
	1936 (Container 10)
	1942
	Oct. (Container 10)
	1944
	July-Aug. (Container 12)
	Oct. (Container 12)
	1945
	Dec. (Container 14)
BOX OV 2	Correspondence
	Chronological
	1943
	T-W (Container 28)
	Military Papers
	Administrative file
	1943
	July (Container 46)
	Nov. (Container 46)
	1944
	Sept. (Container 46)
	1945
	Jan.-Mar. (Container 47)
	Nov.-Dec. (Container 47)
	Personnel "201" file
	Personal file kept by Patton
	Jan. 1945 (Container 49)
	Subject file
	Bastogne operation, 1945 (Container 49)
	French Second Division, 1944, undated (Container 52)
BOX OV 3	G-3 (operations)
	Overlays

Container	*Contents*
	1943
	July (Container 52)
BOX OV 4	Aug.-Nov. (Container 52)
BOX OV 5	Miscellany, May 1945 (Container 53)
	Tanks
	General
	[1918] (Container 54)
	1941 (Container 54)
BOX OV 6	Military library
	1943 (Container 57)
BOX OV 7	Maps
	Miscellaneous, 1906, 1913 (Container 59)
	World War I, 1918 (Container 59)
BOX OV 8	World War II
	European theater
	Third army unit, operations, 1944-1945 (Container 60)
BOX OV 9	Germany, road maps, 1944-1945 (Container 60)
	Miscellany, undated (Container 60)
BOX OV 10	Photographs
	Early career
	Fort Meade, Md., 1919-1920 (Container 60)
	Miscellaneous, 1951 (Container 61)
BOX OV 11	World War II
	Albums (Container 62)
	1941-1945
BOX OV 12	1942-1943
BOX OV 13	1942-1943
BOX OV 14	1943
BOX OV 15	1943
BOX OV 16	1943-1944
BOX OV 17	1944
BOX OV 18	1944-1945
BOX OV 19	1944-1946
BOX OV 20	1944-1947
BOX OV 21	1945
BOX OV 22	Speeches and writings file
	General
	Jan. 1928 (Container 69)
	Miscellany
	Medals and other honors
	1943-1945 (Container 75)
	Oddments, 1944 (Container 75)
BOX OV 23	Scrapbooks
REEL 1	
	Containers OV 23-OV 49 are available only on microfilm. Shelf no. 21,850.
	1807, 1944-1945
BOX OV 24	1877, 1940-1950

Container	*Contents*
REEL 1	
BOX OV 25	1899-1929, undated
REEL 2	
BOX OV 26	1914-1934
REEL 2	
BOX OV 27	1916
REEL 2	
BOX OV 28	1938-1942
REEL 2	
BOX OV 29	1940-1941
REEL 2	
BOX OV 30	1941-1942
REEL 2	
BOX OV 31	1941-1943
REEL 3	
BOX OV 32	1942
REEL 3	
BOX OV 33	1942
REEL 3	
BOX OV 34	1942
REEL 3	
BOX OV 35	1942-1943
REEL 3	
BOX OV 36	1942-1943
REEL 3	
BOX OV 37	1942-1943
REEL 4	
BOX OV 38	1942-1944
REEL 4	
BOX OV 39	1943
REEL 4	
BOX OV 40	1943
REEL 4	
BOX OV 41	1943
REEL 5	
BOX OV 42	1943
REEL 5	
BOX OV 43	1943
REEL 5	
BOX OV 44	1943-1944
REEL 5	
BOX OV 45	1943-1944
REEL 5	
BOX OV 46	1943-1946
REEL 5	
BOX OV 47	1944
REEL 6	
BOX OV 48	1944-1945
REEL 6	
BOX OV 49	1944-1945

Container	*Contents*
REEL 7	
BOX OV 50	Oversize manuscript material removed from scrapbooks after microfilming, 1941-1945
REEL 7	(Containers 76-78)