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Scope and Content Note

This collection primarily consists of correspondence from John Philip Clements while in the U.S. Army and stationed in Europe during World War II to his wife, Mai Clements, and children in Louisville, Kentucky. The collection includes handwritten letters, V-mail, and limited photographs and real photo postcards.

In nearly every letter, Clements described his living conditions, including what he was eating and the weather. When able due to censorship constraints, Clements mentioned where he was and what work he was doing for the military. In addition, he often inquired about what was happening at home, and offered suggestions to Mai on how to run the Clements business, Fulltone Foto Company, in his absence.

Related Collections: John Clements family photograph album, ca. 1920-1930 (021PC29).

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Biographical Note

John Philip Clements was born in Fulton, Kentucky on January 3, 1910. He graduated from the University of Kentucky with a B.A. and M.S. in Chemistry. He married Ona Mai Luten and together they had three children, Philip, Anne Marie and Sue Alma Clements. Clements worked as a teacher in Louisville, Kentucky prior to serving in the Army during World War II. He was the founder and president of the photo finishing plant of Fulltone Foto Company in Louisville. He died February 24, 2004 in Port Charlotte, Florida.

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Folder 13: The Stars and Stripes newspaper, "Squadron Digest," map of Germany and other material, 1945

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Subject Headings

Ardennes, Battle of the, 1944-1945.
Business enterprises – Kentucky – Louisville.
Clements, Ona Mai Luten, 1910-1989.
Louisville (Ky.)
Stars and Stripes (Newspaper)
United States. Army. Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron, 32nd.
V-mail.
World War, 1939-1945 – Europe.
World War, 1939-1945 – War work – Red Cross.