

The Filson Historical Society
James Edward Hardy, Jr. Papers

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Size of Collection

.33 cubic feet

Locator Number: Mss./ A/ H269

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Folder List

Folder 1: Correspondence, 1941-1942

Folder 2: Correspondence, 1943-1944

Folder 3: Correspondence, January-March 1945

Folder 4: Correspondence, April-November 1945

Folder 5: Correspondence, December 1945

Folder 6: Correspondence, January-March 1946

Folder 7: Correspondence, April-June 1946

Folder 8: Miscellaneous, 1942-1946; no date
Newspaper clippings, envelopes

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Scope and Content Note

Collection is contained in eight folders and is in one box. It is primarily made up of correspondence from James Edward Hardy, Jr. to his family. Letters from 1941-June 1944 recall his secondary education at Woodberry Forest School in Virginia. Those letters from January-March 1945 cover his basic training with the Field Artillery Reserve Training Corps at Ft. Sill, Oklahoma. Of primary interest, correspondence from November 1945-1946 which recounts Hardy's service in the U. S. Army's 707th Ordnance Company, 7th Division, during the Allied occupation of Korea from 1945-1948. The letters vividly describe his duties; free time activities; the country; and its people, their demeanor, their native costume, and how they feel about the U. S. presence in Korea. Also includes letters from Hardy's sister, Lois Jean Hardy, about her education at St. Catherine's School in Virginia, and Rollins College in Florida. Newspaper clippings and correspondence note Hardy's father, Lieutenant Colonel James Edward Hardy's command of the 150th Field Artillery Regiment, 38th Division, stationed at Camp Shelby, Mississippi. Miscellaneous items include newspaper clippings and envelopes.

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Biographical Note

James Edward Hardy, Jr. is the son of Lieutenant Colonel James Edward Hardy and Lois Hardy, and the brother of Lois Jean Hardy. Born in Louisville, Kentucky, Hardy completed his secondary education at Woodberry Forest School in Virginia in June 1944 and afterwards enlisted in the U. S. Army. He was inducted into the service at Ft. Atterbury, Indiana, ca. January 1945, and served his basic training with the Field Artillery Reserve Training Corps at Ft. Sill, Oklahoma. Hardy, a member of the 707th Ordnance Company, 7th Division, was sent to Korea as part of the Allied occupation forces ca. November 1945. He served in Korea until ca. May-June 1946. Returning to the U. S., Hardy completed his education at Princeton University and went to work for the family business, Brinly-Hardy Company in Louisville, Kentucky. He is married to Barbara (Brown) Hardy and they have one son, and two daughters.

*** Hardy only refers to himself as James Edward Hardy, Jr.; his actual name is James Edward Hardy III.