

**CORN, JAMES F.
PAPERS
1917-1987**

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INTRODUCTION

The James F. Corn Papers, 1917-1987, occupies .42 cubic feet of shelf space and numbers approximately 100 items.

Single photocopies of unpublished writings in the James F. Corn papers may be made for the purposes of scholarly research.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The James F. Corn Papers consist of approximately 100 items spanning the years, 1917-1987. The papers center around the activities of the 117th Infantry Regiment of the 30th Infantry Division during World War I and World War II. The 30th Division, nicknamed "Old Hickory", was composed primarily of soldiers from Tennessee and the Carolinas. The 30th Division was instrumental in precipitating the defeat of Germany in the world wars. The division's reputation was such that during World War II German soldiers referred to the unit as "Roosevelt's SS".

James F. Corn of Cleveland, Tennessee was assigned as 1st Lieutenant of the 2nd Battalion, 117th Infantry in 1923. He served with the 117th, attaining the rank of Lieutenant Colonel, until the regiment was deactivated from federal service in 1946. In 1950, the regiment was reactivated for service in the Korean War, 1950-1953 and was eventually renamed the 278th Regimental Combat Team.

His collection contains general orders for the regiment from 1917-1963, personal correspondence, reunion publications, Christmas cards, newsletters of the 117th Infantry and documents detailing the history of the 30th Division.

CONTAINER LIST

1. Correspondence--James F. Corn
2. Documents, notes, etc.--30th Division
3. Military Records--Company Rosters
4. Military Records--General Orders, 1918-1924
5. Military Records--General Orders, 1924-1940
6. Military Records--General Orders, 1947-1963
7. Publications--117th Newsletter, 1941-1942
8. Publications--Reunion Magazine, 30th Division, 1947
9. Sketches--Historical--"Cleveland, Tennessee Units in World War II"