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HODGMAN, WILLIAM W., JR.
Papers, 1942-1958 (bulk: 1943-1946)

DESCRIPTION

Primarily letters written by William W. Hodgman, Jr. to his mother while serving as a merchant marine during World War II. Hodgman describes his training as a merchant marine in California, his memories of his youth in Arizona and his plans for returning to Arizona. His letters describe Japanese raids on transports and being in San Francisco on V.J. Day. One folder of correspondence written to Hodgman contains letters. Also includes a small amount printed material on the Merchants Marines.

1 Boxes, .5 linear ft.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Hodgman was working at Consolidated Vultee Aircraft Company in Tucson when he joined the Merchant Marines at the age of 40 in 1943. He served in the Pacific and was stationed for much of the time in New Guinea. It is not known when he arrived in Arizona; he graduated from Shattuck School in Faribault, Minnesota in 1923. He returned to Tucson after the war and was involved in ranching.

ACQUISITION

Donated by Vera Power Dull in 1975.

RELATED MATERIAL

Portrait File : Wiliam W. Hodgman, Jr.

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