DESCRIPTION

Correspondence, scrapbooks, photos, and related military papers associated with Elbert Monro’s service during World War II from 1941 to 1945. Some materials reflecting the Arizona National Guard including a 1938-1939 yearbook, identification cards, and unit officer listing. Highlight of the collection are the photos taken by Monro in Panama depicting the people, buildings, environment, and military activities while he was on duty near the Canal Zone.

2 Boxes, 1.5 linear feet

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Elbert C. Monro and Dorthy Heighton Monro both attended the University of Arizona (1917, 1920). In 1926 they composed the University of Arizona school song, “All Hail, Arizona!” After graduation from the University of Arizona in 1917 Monro went to France in World War I. He joined the Arizona National Guard and mobilized with his unit for federal service in 1941. Promoted to Colonel he was assigned to command the 150th Infantry Regiment with duty in the Panama Canal Zone from 1941 to 1944. Following the war Monro was head of the Monro Insurance Agency and chairman of the City Civil Service Commission (1951-1957) and the city Police Pension Board. Monro participated with the Tucson Kiwanis Club and in 1957 was selected as the man of the year for Tucson.

ACQUISITION

Gift of Dorothy H. Monro in 1949.

ACCESS

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PROCESSING

The collection was processed by William D. Tackenberg in May 1999.
BOX AND FOLDER LIST

Box 1

Folder 1: Correspondence (E. C. Monro) 1941-1945
f.2 Correspondence (D. Monro) 1941-1945
f.3 Military Promotion Letters and Orders 1918-1946
f.4 Articles Associated With E. C. Monro 1941-1945
   ID Cards, Brochures, Programs
f.5 Roster of 158th Infantry (Arizona National Guard) at  ND
   Camp Barkeley, California
f.6 University of Arizona Alma Mater Song “All Hail, Arizona!” 1926
f.7 Scrapbook with Loose Pages 1941-1945
   World War II Materials
f.8 Military Service Record Scrapbook 1943-1945
f.9 Scrapbook of Monro’s World War II Service in Panama 1942-1943
f.10 Scrapbook of Officer’s Wives Club Activities in Abilene, TX 1941
f.11 National Guard Yearbook 1938-1939
f.12 Photos – Unidentified Except for “Will – 1901” 1901
f.13-15 Photos – World War II (Panama Assignment) 1941-1944
   People, The Land, Buildings – Album #1
f.16 Photos – World War II (Panama Assignment) 1941-1944
   Military People and Activities – Albums #1 & 2
f.17 Photos – World War II (Panama Assignment) 1941-1944
   People, The Land, Buildings – Album #2

One Outsized Item Containing Two Photos
   Unidentified Cavalry Officer and Photo of Post Headquarters Building