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James W. Snively Papers
1916-1975

Box 1:
Biographical Information, Series Inventory, and Obituary, 1996-2014

**please note that the series inventory is intended solely to offer historical context to specific items. The order specified in the inventory does not reflect the arrangement of this series in the University Archives.

Telegrams, 1943
Carbon Copies of letter from John R. Snively, Jr. to Major E. Wharton, 1943
Letter from Pvt. Gordon Stringer to Billy Snively, 1944
Letter from James Watson Snively to family, 1944
Carbon Copies of Letters from John R. Snively to James Watson Snively (4 folders)
  June 22, 1943-September 7, 1943
  September 8, 1943-February 25, 1944
  February 26, 1944-September 14, 1944, with a Western Union cablegram
  September 15, 1944-June 4, 1945
US Army Documentation and Paperwork (4 folders)
  Armed Forces Enlistment, Dependency Information, nd., 1943-1944
  James W. Snively Honorable Discharge, 1945
  Veterans Administration Entitlements, Application, and Claims, 1950-1952
  Information Prisoner of War Protocol from War Department for POW families, 1945
Roster-Company E 338th Infantry, 85th Division, 1973
Photographs and Negatives (Company E Reunion?), c. 1970s
Names and Addresses- Rockford Lawyers in the Service, John R. Snively, c. 1940s
Wartime Memorabilia and Artifacts from POW Camp (3 folders)
  Forms and Ration Information, c. 1944-1945
  Photographs, Postcards, and Programs, c. 1944-1945
  Air Mail Stationery Set, c. 1940s
Letters from John R. Snively to James W. Snively (2 folders)
  1942
  1943
Letters to James W. Snively from Mabel R. Snively, 1942-1943
Letters from James Watson Snively to Snively family (2 folders)
  With forms and items from childhood, n.d, 1936-1943
  1943-1944
V-Mail addressed to Mr. and Mrs. John Snively from James W. Snively, 1944-1945
James W. Snively’s postcards home from travels (4 folders)
  1948-1958
  1958-1959
  1959-1966
  1967-1969
Travel Information (2 folders)
  Photograph Books and Travel Photos, c. 1957
  Travel Maps, c. 1957-1967
Letters from James W. Snively after World War II, 1946-1964
Mabel R. Snively’s Correspondence while at Milwaukee Sanitarium, 1949
The Snively Family- Newspaper Clipping, Event Programs, 1949
Newspaper Clippings about James W. Snively, 1944-1965
RESTRICTED (3 folders)
   Birth Certificate and Health Information, Passports, 1924-1942
   Veterans Administration Claims, Medical Information, 1949-1979
   Veterans Administration Medical Records, 1955-1979

Box 2:
Travel and Historical Information
   Camp Wolters Travel Information, n.d.
   Books/Pamphlets
      85th Battalion, n.d.
      History of Italian Charge c. 1945 (2 books)
World War II Military Histories
   *see “Box 6” at end of document
Letters from Beulah Dorris (née Holland) to John R. and Mabel R. Snively, 1926-1945
Letters to Mabel R. and John R. Snively from the Holland family, 1926-1946
Letters to Mabel R. and John R. Snively from Mr. and Mrs. Holland (Mabel’s parents) (3 folders)
   n.d, 1933-1937
   1938-1941
   1942-1949
Letters and Cards to John R. and Mabel R. Snively from the Snively family in Pennsylvania, 1935-1945
Letters to the Snivelys from Neva (née Holland), Dorothy Ruth, and Marjorie Clippinger (4 folders)
   n.d., 1933-February 1939
   1939-1941
   1942-1943
   1944-1967
Letters to Mabel R. an John R. Snively from Mabel’s extended family, 1944-1945
Letters and Cards from the Snively family (3 folders)
   Emma Snively (John R. Snively’s mother), 1935-1950
   Emily B. Snively (John R. Snively’s sister), 1936-1945
   Mary Snively (John R. Snively’s sister), 1937
Letters from friends to Mabel R. and John R. Snively (5 folders)
   Dorothy Bond, n.d., 1925-1945
   Geraldine Hawken, 1935-1945
   Mildred Price, 1937-1952
   Helen and Charles Holt, n.d, 1937-1945
   Harold and Vivian Sheetz, 1941-1945
Correspondence from Pvt. Donald F. Martinson to Mabel R. and James W. Snively, n.d, 1942-1943
Correspondence during War- Mabel R. and John R. Snively (4 folders)
   January 29, 1944- November 2, 1944
   November 5, 1944- December 20, 1944
   December 22, 1944- August 1945
   V-Mail, 1944-1945
      from other soldiers to Mabel R. and John R. Snively
      to James W. Snively
Other Correspondence (4 folders)
- John R. Snively, 1969
- From William (Billy) Snively to John R. Snively, n.d., 1949
- Mabel Ruth, about Methodist women’s organization, 1942-1944

Letters from Mabel Ruth and John R. Snively (3 folders)
- Letters from Mabel Ruth (née Holland) Snively to John R. Snively and family, 1923-1948
- Letters from John R. Snively to Mabel Ruth Snively and family, 1924-1947
- Letters from Mabel Ruth Snively to her parents, 1940

From Salerno to the Alps: A History of the Fifth Army, Ed. Lieutenant Col. Chester G. Starr, 1948

Box 3:
Letters and Cards from friends and family to James Watson Snively (folders)
- n.d., 1934-1941
- 1942, n.d.
- 1943-1944
- 1945-1964

John R. Snively’s letters returned while James W. Snively was missing in action, (7 folders)*unopened
- July 7, 1944-September 9, 1944
- September 11, 1944-September 22, 1944
- September 24, 1944-September 30, 1944
- October 1, 1944-October 10, 1944
- October 10, 1944-October 20, 1944
- October 21, 1944-October 31, 1944
- November 1, 1944-November 7, 1944
- November 9, 1944-January 14, 1945

James W. Snively- University of Illinois Notices, 1942-1950
James W. Snively- life after World War II (3 folders)
- Continuing Education, 1945-1960
- Information pertaining to James Snively’s attempt to build a drive-in root beer stand, 1950-1951
- Applications for employment as a diplomatic courier, 1952
- Employment and leave of absence at Rockford Transit Co., 1955-1958

James W. Snively Personal Items (3 folders)
- Address Book, n.d.
- Wallet, n.d.
- Wallet Contents, n.d.

Photographs of James Watson Snively and family, n.d.

Box 4:
Snively family correspondence during the war (other) (3 folders)
- Correspondence with Sergeant Wilmer J. Brewster, 1944-1945
- With various soldiers, 1944-1945
- Letters from the Snively family to James Watson, addressed to William Walsh, 1945

John R. Snively’s Photographs (23 folders)
- Photographs of John R. Snively (3 folders)
  - n.d.
  - 1917-1918
1919-1961
Time at University of Illinois (4 folders)
   Photographs and Postcards, 1916-May 1918
   May 1918-December 1918
   January 1919-May 1919
   May 1919-May 1923, n.d.
John R. Snively at West Point as a Cadet, 1919
At the University of Michigan, 1916-1920, n.d.
Photographs of family and friends (4 folders)
   Friends & Family, n.d. (2 folders)
   n.d.
   Trips to Pennsylvania and Atlantic City, 1916, 1931
Illinois photographs (2 folders)
   Chicago and suburbs, n.d., 1916-1918
   Carroll County Track Meet, 1920
Travel photographs (3 folders)
   Lanark Boy Scouts trip to Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, 1915
   Summer at Sarnia, Ontario, 1917
   Train Journey through the Northwest United States, c. 1917-1918 (2 folders)
With Mabel Ruth (née Holland) Snively and the Holland family (3 folders)
   n.d.
   1922-1923
   1923
John R. Snively’s parents (John R. Snively, Sr. and Emma Snively) and family horses, n.d., 1938

Box 5:
James W. Snively in the Military (5 folders)
   Military Paperwork, 1943-1949
   Company E 338th Infantry Roster, c. 1940s
   POW Posts (2 folders)
      From Mabel Snively to James Snively, 1944-1945
      From James Snively to family, 1944-1945
   Letters and reports related to James W. Snively’s time as a POW and Silver Star, 1945
James W. Snively’s oversized valentine from anonymous admirers, c. 1950s

Folder 6 (via Cross-Reference form in Box 2); Map Case 2 (Range 2), Drawer 14
Military Maps (6 maps)
   Solution Overlay 2-260, unknown, n.d.
   Military and Naval Map of the World, n.d.
   Special Map No. 11, Road Map for Fort Benning and Vicinity 1942
   Special Map No. 16, Army Extension Courses, c. 1942
   Base IV Corp Maneuvers 1942, Fort Benning Infantry School (2 maps)