

CLAUDE E. COOK PAPERS, 1942-1946

Collection #
SC 2496

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USER INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION: 1 item

COLLECTION DATES: 1942-1946

PROVENANCE: Mrs. Claude E. Cook, Indianapolis, IN, 11 October 1995

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OTHER FINDING AIDS: None

RELATED HOLDINGS: SC 2497, Joseph H. Dame

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HISTORICAL SKETCH

Claude E. Cook, of Campbellsburg, Indiana, served in the Army during World War II from November 1942 to February 1946. During most of this period he was assigned to the 177th Military Police Battalion. The unit saw duty in

California and Oregon, and then in July 1943 was shipped to North Africa, where among other things it escorted groups of Italian prisoners of war from Sicily to North Africa. Returning to the United States in August 1944, Cook was posted to Camp Patrick Henry in Virginia. He was discharged from Camp Atterbury. In his words, "I spent 3 years, 2 months and 12 days of my young life...guarding German and Italian prisoners of war, guarding 'G.I.' prisoners, and protecting civilian and military personnel from violence in military occupied areas."

Source: Materials in collection.

SCOPE AND CONTENT

This collection consists of one item, a fifteen-page typed account of Cook's military service 1942-1946. This is a connected account, written some time after the actual events, and grouping occurrences by time and place.

CATALOGUING INFORMATION

MAIN ENTRY: Cook, Claude E.

SUBJECT ENTRIES: Cook, Claude E.

Soldiers--Indiana--Cambellsburg

World War, 1939-1945--Prisoners and prisons

World War, 1939-1945--Personal narratives

Military police

Prisoners of war--Africa, North

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