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**Finding Aid for the Allen Boyden Second World War correspondence collection  
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**Title:** Allen Boyden Second World War correspondence

**source:** Boyden, Frank

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**Date (inclusive):** 1942-02-03-1945-06-25

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**Abstract:** This collection contains correspondence written by Captain Allen Marston Boyden, USA, and his family members, during the Second World War.

**Storage Unit:** 1-2

**Content Description**

This collection contains correspondence written by Captain Allen Marston Boyden, his wife Margery, and his parents Dr. and Mrs. Frank E. Boyden dated between 1942 and 1945. Capt. Boyden was a member of the 3rd Aux. Surgical Group in the United States Army. He wrote letters from San Francisco and New York, and then overseas from Sicily, North Africa, England, Belgium, France, Germany, and Czechoslovakia. He was present at D-Day where he performed the some of the first surgeries on Omaha beach. Capt. Boyden also was also present during the Battle of the Bulge, and he continued to perform surgeries on the front lines until the end of the Second World War.

**Arrangement**

This collection is arranged in five series by author in chronological order. Series 1, Correspondence from Allen Boyden. Series 2, Correspondence from Margery Boyden. Series 3, Correspondence from Mrs. Frank Boyden. Series 4, Correspondence from Dr. Frank Boyden. Series 5, Correspondence, miscellaneous

**Conditions Governing Access**

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**Immediate Source of Acquisition**

Gift of Frank Boyden

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**Subjects and Indexing Terms**

World War, 1939-1945

World War, 1939-1945 -- Germany

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United States. Army. Auxiliary Surgical Group, 3rd

World War, 1939-1945--Belgium

World War, 1939-1945--England

World War, 1939-1945--France

World War, 1939-1945 -- Campaigns -- France -- Normandy.

Boyden, Allen Marston

Boyden, Frank

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**Series 1. Correspondence from Capt. Allen Boyden 1942-03-24-1945-06-25**

**Scope and Contents**

Correspondence from Capt. Allen Boyden to Margery Boyden.

**Series 2. Correspondence from Margery Boyden 1942-11-30-1944-03-12**

**Scope and Contents**

Correspondence from Margery Boyden to Capt. Allen Boyden.

**Series 3. Correspondence from Mrs. Frank Boyden 1942-02-03-1944-03-02**

**Scope and Contents**

Correspondence from Mrs. Frank Boyden to Capt. Allen Boyden.

**Series 4. Correspondence from Dr. Frank Boyden 1942-11-30-1944-02-28**

**Scope and Contents**

Correspondence from Dr. Frank Boyden to Capt. Allen Boyden.

**Series 5. Correspondence, miscellaneous 1942-03-13-1943-12-30**

**Scope and Contents**

Correspondence from friends and other relatives to Capt. Allen Boyden.