
Register of the Maximilian A. W. Boll papers

Finding aid prepared by Emilia Schrier
Hoover Institution Library and Archives

© 2013

434 Galvez Mall

Stanford University

Stanford, CA 94305-6003

hoover-library-archives@stanford.edu

URL: <http://www.hoover.org/library-and-archives>

Title: Maximilian A. W. Boll papers

Date (inclusive): 1914-1960

Collection Number: 80085

Contributing Institution: Hoover Institution Library and Archives

Language of Material: English

Physical Description: 1 manuscript box(0.4 Linear Feet)

Abstract: The Maximilian A. W. Boll collection includes writings, photographs, and printed matter corresponding to his service in the United States Army during World War I.

Creator: Boll, Maximilian A. W., 1892-
Hoover Institution Library & Archives

Access

The collection is open for research; materials must be requested at least two business days in advance of intended use.

Publication Rights

For copyright status, please contact the Hoover Institution Library & Archives.

Acquisition Information

Acquired by the Hoover Institution Library & Archives in 1980.

Preferred Citation

[Identification of item], Maximilian A. W. Boll papers, [Box no., Folder no. or title], Hoover Institution Library & Archives.

Biographical/Historical Note

Maximilian A. W. Boll was born on June 7, 1892 in New York, NY to parents born in Germany. He was drafted into the United States Army during World War I and fought in France against the Germans. During the war, he struggled with his German American identity and German prejudice in America. He was denied entry to officer school due to his German ancestry. During his time in World War I, he was a supply officer and frequently noted he felt more like an observer than a combatant. After returning from the war, he became secretary of the 315th infantry association. Maximilian A. W. Boll passed away on August 1st, 1980.

Scope and Content of Collection

The Maximilian A. W. Boll collection includes writings, photographs, and printed matter relating to his service in the United States Army during World War I. The writings include his memoir entitled "My First Journey" in which he describes his experiences during World War I, beginning with his inner conflict of being an American of German ancestry. The photograph series consists of photographs taken of Company C, 315th Regiment of Infantry, 79th Division of World War I. The printed matter series includes a yearbook of Company C of which Maximilian Boll was an editor.

Arrangement Statement

The collection is organized into 3 series: "My First Journey: 1917"; Photographs; and Printed Matter

Subjects and Indexing Terms

World War, 1914-1918 -- Campaigns -- France

United States. Army. American Expeditionary Forces

United States. Army. Infantry Regiment, 315th

box 1, folder 1

"My First Journey: 1917-1919" 1960

box 1, folder 2

Photographs 1914-1921

Printed Matter 1919

box 1, folder 3

The 315th Division 1919

box 1, folder 4

Company C Yearbook 1919