Inventory of the Harry Roswell Hill papers

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Abstract: Personnel records, orders, letters, manuals, servicemen's newspapers, clippings, other printed matter, photographs, and miscellany relating to American military railway service operations in Iran and elsewhere in the Persian Gulf Command during World War II.
Physical Location: Hoover Institution Archives
Creator: Hill, Harry Roswell, 1899-
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Biographical Note
Captain, United States Army Transportation Corps; member, 762nd Railway Shop Battalion, 1942-1946.
Scope and Content of Collection
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Subjects and Indexing Terms
World War, 1939-1945--Transportation.
World War, 1939-1945--Middle East.
Railroads--Iran.
United States. Army. Railway Shop Battalion, 762nd.

Box/Folder 1 : 1 Service record, 1945-1946
Box/Folder 1 : 2 Service in Persian Gulf Command materials, 1942-1945
Scope and Contents note
Includes memoranda, orders, invitations, passes, certificates, receipts, and ephemera relating to Hill's service in Iran and time spent in Palestine, Germany, and Paris on leave or in connection with his Army service. Also includes a small amount of material related to Claude Hovis, Hill's roommate, who was killed in Iran.

Box/Folder 1 : 3 Agenda book and calendars, 1943-1944
Box/Folder 1 : 4  Correspondence, 1943-1945
  Scope and Contents note
  Between Hill and his wife, Martha (Marty).

Box/Folder 1 : 5  Photographs, undated
  Scope and Contents note
  French Foreign Legion headquarters, Sidi Bel Abbès, Algeria (2 photos); unidentified Army
  men getting water from barrels in desert (1 photo); and 60th Operations group in front of
  C-47 aircraft, possibly at Tafaraoui Airfield, Algeria (1 photo).

Printed matter, 1920-1949
Box/Folder 1 : 6  Germany, 1942, 1944
Box/Folder 1 : 7  India, Iraq, Libya, Syria, 1942, undated
Box/Folder 1 : 8  Iran - guides, 1942-1943, undated
Box/Folder 1 : 9  Iran, Middle and Near East - maps, undated
Box/Folder 1 : 10 Iran/Persian Gulf Command - clippings, 1943-1944, undated
Box/Folder 1 : 11 Palestine, 1944, undated
  Scope and Contents note
  Includes maps, tour information, and newsletters collected by Hill in relation to leave
  taken in Palestine.

Box/Folder 1 : 12  Paris, 1943, 1945, undated
Box/Folder 1 : 13  Railway service, 1943-1945
  Scope and Contents note
  Includes materials specifically related to the 762nd Railway Shop Battalion.

Box/Folder 1 : 14  United States Army, general, 1943, 1945, undated
Box/Folder 1 : 15  Manuals, 1920, 1944
Box/Folder 1 : 16  Miscellaneous, 1949, undated

Oversize material, 1937-1945
Box/Folder 2 : 1  The National Geographic Magazine, Vol. 84, No. 2, 1943 August
  Scope and Contents note
  Includes article titled "Iran in Wartime."

Persian Gulf Command, undated
  Scope and Contents note
  Brief pictorial record of Persian Gulf region. Includes standardized letter to all individuals
  who served in Persian Gulf Command from Brigadier General Donald P. Booth.

Souvenir of an Accomplishment, 1944
  Scope and Contents note
  Photo booklet recognizing American railroad efforts in Iran to bring supplies to Russians in
  World War II.

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The Saturday Evening Post, excerpt, 1944 September 2
Attack, excerpt, 1944 July
  Scope and Contents note
  Includes article titled "Men of the 762nd Find Time for Recreation Now."

Egyptian Mail, No. 9681, excerpt 1945 May 29
Sandscript, Vol. 3, No. 19, 1945 May 26
Box/Folder 2 : 2  
**[Shaypour?] magazine, 1943**  
Language of Material: Persian  

*Krokodil* (Moscow), No. 26-27, 1943  
*Voici comment la VIIIème Armée battit les Allemandes et fit crouler l'Empire Africain de Mussolini*, undated  
*La guerre illustrée*, L.T.A. Robinson, Ltd. (London), 1943 March

Box/Folder 2 : 3  
"Gmunden [Austria]: Das tor ins Salzkammergut," tourist map, 1940  
"Gmunden [Austria], Ostmark, Deutschland," tourist map, undated  
"Old Persia, Modern Iran," illustrated map, undated  
"Cartographical Map of Iran, Once Known as Persia, Showing Many Places of Biblical and Historical Interest," Persian Gulf Command, illustrated map, circa 1944

Box/Folder 2 : 4  
"Iran," TWA travel poster, undated  
"Deep in Iran, Alco-G.E. Diesel-electric Locomotives Haul Supplies to Russia," General Electric poster, undated  
"New Songs," songbook of compositions from Iranian composer Ahmad Furutan Rad, 1937  
Language of Material: Persian

Box/Folder 2 : 5  
*Algérie, edition de l’OFALAC [Office algérien d’action économique et touristique]*, undated