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8 October 1900 Born, New Orleans, Louisiana
1918 Enlisted, U.S. Marine Corps
1919-1920 Student, Tulane University, New Orleans, Louisiana
1920-1924 Graduate, U.S. Military Academy, West Point, New York
1930-1934 Chinese Language Student and Assistant Military Attache, American Embassy, Peking, China
1942 Promoted to Brigadier General
1942 Commanded General Stilwell's headquarters at Lashio, Burma, China-Burma-India Theater
1942 Commander, Chabua-Ledo Sector, China-Burma-India Theater
1942-1945 Chief of Staff, Chinese Army in India
1943-1945 Commanding General of Combat Troops, Ledo Sector, China-Burma-India Theater
1945 Chief of Staff, Chinese Combat Command, Kunming, China
1948-1951 Professor of Military Science and Tactics and Commandant of Cadets, A. & M. College of Texas
1951-1953 Deputy Commanding General, 2nd Division, Korea
1952 Commandant, P.O.W. Camp Koie Do, Korea (80,000 prisoners)
1952 Commandant, United Nations Prisoner of War Command, Korea (180,000 prisoners)
1952 Promoted to Major General
1952 Commanding General of Prisoners of War, Pusan
1952-1954 Deputy Commanding General, 4th Army
1957-1960 Provost Marshal General, Department of the Army, Washington, D.C.
1960 Retired as Major General

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China.
Korean War, 1950-1953--Prisoners and prisons.
Prisoners of war.
World War, 1939-1945--Campaigns--Burma.
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World War, 1939-1945.

CORRESPONDENCE, 1932-1974

Scope and Contents note
Arranged alphabetically by name of correspondent.

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Bender, Roger James, 1974
Bergin, William E., 1943
Binder, L. James, 1971-1972
Chen, Shang, 1944
Chesley, Ray T., 1945
China, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, 1932
Clark, Mark W., 1953
Collins, James L., Jr., 1974
Dubose, Charles G., 1945
Fairbank, John K., 1971
Ferris, B. G., 1942
Frank, Walter W., 1945
Freeman, Paul F., Jr., 1943
Gregory, James B., 1959
Hargrove, George, Jr., 1945
Hayer, William T., 1945
Houston, Robert W., 1945
Huffine, Fred, n.d.
Johnson, Harold K., 1966
Johnson, Nelson Trusler, 1933
Larson, A. V., 1945
Marshall, George C., 1945
Merrill, F. D., 1943
Ming, Wong Chung, 1944
Mitchell, John B., 1945
Moynahan, George F., Jr., 1945
Pattison, Hal C., 1967
Potebnya, Orr Y., n.d.
Slater, V., 1944
Stilwell, Joseph, 1942-1944
Teague, Olin E., 1974
Tower, John G., 1970
Von Wechmar, Ruediger, 1963
Walker, Leonard F., 1974
Wyman, W. G., 1942

WRITINGS, 1934-1966

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Unpublished articles, printed copies of published articles, unpublished typewritten thesis,
and notes by Haydon L. Boatner, arranged alphabetically by title or subject.

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"Books on Burma." An unpublished typewritten notebook, 1942
"A Digest and Interpretation of the Cheng Wu Chi." An unpublished typewritten
graduate thesis, 1934  
"Koje," Saga, n.d., printed copy  
"The Ledo Road Today." A typewritten and carbon copy draft for The Military
Engineer, 1956  
"Messages from Burma." Bound unpublished handwritten messages to officers in the
field, 1942-1944  
"Military Control of Riots at Koje-Do." An unpublished typewritten draft, n.d.  
"Military Geography of Manchuria." Handwritten and typewritten notes on the
history of the Manchu military, 1934  
Box 2  
"Truce Tent and Fighting Front." An unpublished typewritten draft, n.d.  
"Barbara Tuchman's Stilwell and the American Experience in China. A Statement
Thereon for the Record." An unpublished typewritten draft, n.d.  
U.S. Lend-lease activities with China, 1941. Unpublished handwritten drafts.
SUBJECT FILE, 1932-1975  
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Biographical file, dispatches, memoranda, reports, minutes of meetings, notes, printed
matter, etc., arranged alphabetically by subject.
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Report on Second Burma Campaign, 1944-1945  
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Charts and maps  
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Burma and Andaman Invasion Naval Operations, March 1942-April 1942.  
Burma Operations Record-The 15th Army Operations in Imphal Area and
Printed copy.  
China Area Operations Record V.I. Japanese Monograph 70. Printed copy.  
Printed copy.  
Japanese Studies in World War II (Historical Manuscript File). Japanese
Monograph 57. Printed copy.  
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Medical-Health, 1942-1945  
General  
"Accident on Trip 595," typewritten (carbon copy) report, 1943  
"Complete report on First Medical Training Unit," 1945. Typewritten (carbon
copy) report.  
Personnel, 1942-1945  
General  
"Interview with Colonel W. A. Fuller, Cav. at Ramgarh," 1945  
Supplies, 1942-1945  
General  
"History of Services of Supply, China-Burma- India." An unpublished (carbon
copy) typescript. 1944.  
Training, 1942-1945  
General  
"History of the Ramgarh Training Center, 1942-45." Unpublished typescript
carbon copy.  
Transportation, 1942-1945
General

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Prisoners of War
Bibliography and notes

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Pamphlets
Stilwell, Joseph W.
General
Tuchman, Barbara; Book reviews of Sand Against the Wind, and Stilwell and American Experience in China, 1911-1945, 1970.

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Notes, memorabilia, newspaper clippings
Notes by Haydon L. Boatner on his papers at the Hoover Institution.

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Envelope A
13 photographs pertaining to the medical training for enlisted men, Burma, 1942

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58 photographs pertaining to 1932, World War II, and the United Nations Prisoner of War Camp of the Korean War in 1952