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Collection number: 0109

Contributing Institution: USC Libraries Special Collections

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Physical Description: 1.0 linear ft. 2 boxes

Date (inclusive): 1941-1945

Abstract: Research archive for a history of AFRS activity during World War II. The military radio service broadcast news and entertainment by shortwave wherever U.S. forces were engaged.

creator: DeLay, Theodore S.


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Acquisition

Donated by Theodore S. DeLay, Jr., May 1951.

Scope and Content

Research archive gathered by Theodore S. Delay in support of his 1951 USC dissertation, "An Historical Study of the Armed Forces Radio Service to 1946". The collection largely consists of memorandums and reports of official U.S. Army origin, and copies of "AFRS Playback Magazine". The accompanying correspondence and letters of transmittal make it clear that they were most willingly made available to Mr. Delay. The period covered is 1944-45, and the focus is on the Pacific, not the European theater of action. Many Hollywood personalities contributed to the success of AFRS.

Subjects and Indexing Terms

DeLay, Theodore S. -- Archives

United States. Armed Forces Radio Service. -- Archives

Armed Forces--History--Archival resources

Brochures

Memorandums

Radio--Archival resources

Reports

United States--History--20th century--Archival resources

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Box 1, Folder 1

Activities and Progress Reports 1944-1945

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Publications by War Department.

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Box 1, Folder 2

AFRS Memorandum undated

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Box 1, Folder 3

AFRS Playback Magazine Vol. 3 No. 3- Vol. 4 No. 1 1945 October 17-1946 January 21

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Box 1, Folder 4

Armed Forces Radio Service 1949 June 1

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Dissertation by Lt-Col Russell Oliver Fudge.

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Box 1, Folder 5

As above Photocopy 1949 June 1
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Typescript by T.S. DeLay, Jr.

**Box 1, Folder 7**  
Citation: for Hollywood Victory Committee undated

**Box 1, Folder 8**  
Correspondence various

**Box 1, Folder 9**  
Hitchhiker on AFRS Road to Tokyo TS; letters of Maj. H. Austin Peterson undated

**Box 1, Folder 10**  
As above Photocopy undated

**Box 1, Folder 11**  
How Shortwave Serves Our Armed Forces Overseas 1946 May 29

**Box 1, Folder 12**  
Office of War Information Background Information undated

**Box 1, Folder 13**  
Outlines of Current AFRS Troop Information Activities 1945 June 25

**Box 1, Folder 14**  
Progress Report 1942 May 26-1945 December 1

**Box 1, Folder 15**  
Quarterly Report - Confidential (Unclassified) 1945 April 1-June 30

**Box 1, Folder 16**  
Radio Listening Habits of Enlisted Men Booklet- Research Branch, Special Service Division, War Department 1942 October 3

**Box 1, Folder 17**  
Radio on the Battle Fronts - Address given by Martin H. Work undated

**Box 1, Folder 18**  
Recommendations on the Installation and Operation of an American Expeditionary Station - Prepared by AFRS, Los Angeles undated

**Box 1, Folder 19**  
Synthesis Report AFRS Morale Services Division 1943 October 25

**Box 1, Folder 20**  
"This is the Armed Forces Radio Service" Parts 1 and 2 - Part1="Headquarters and Global Operations"; Part 2= "Operations in the European Scene" 1945 August 1

**Box 1, Folder 21**  
"This is the Armed Forces Radio Service"- The greatest signature in Radio - by Major J.K. Connell undated

**Box 1, Folder 22**  

**Box 1, Folder 23**  
Diagram of Headquarters, Los Angeles Branch AFRS undated

**Box 1, Folder 24-25**  
Miscellaneous- Memoranda, etc. various

**Box 2, Folder 1-3**  
Armed Forces Radio Service Forward Plan Bound- 3 volumes 1945 November 1-1946 July 1

**Box 2, Folder 4**  
Information and Education Division Booklet- Privately Printed/Limited Edition 1945 October

**Box 2, Folder 5**  
History of the Office of the Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs Series: Historical Reports on War Administration, United States Government Printing Office 1947

**Box 2, Folder 6-7**  
Photocopies various