Guide to the Porter B. Rudolf, Jr. and Roy P. Rudolf Letters
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Summary Information

Repository: W.S. Hoole Special Collections Library, The University of Alabama

Title: Porter B. Rudolf, Jr. and Roy P. Rudolf Letters

Date [inclusive]: 1918 - 1919

Extent: 0.1 Linear feet (30 letters, 103 pages)

Language: English

Abstract: Letters from Sgt. Porter B. Rudolf, Jr. and Cpl. Roy P. Rudolf to their parents in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois. The letters (the majority of which are from Roy) describe daily life in France, mainly after the cease fire on November 11, 1918, and the abundance of rumors about going or not going home.

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Biographical/Historical note

Porter B. Rudolf, Jr. was born on November 15, 1893 in Chicago, Illinois, the first of four children (Porter B., Jr., Edna, Roy, and Wilbur) to Porter and Josephine Rudolf. Roy Rudolf was born circa 1898. Porter, or “Po,” served in France until the cease fire. Roy served in the 304th Tank Corps and arrived in France in mid-November 1918, after the Armistice. Porter returned to Chicago in early June of 1919, but Roy stayed until sometime later.

Scope and Contents note

This collection consists of 30 letters from Sgt. Porter B. Rudolf, Jr. and Cpl. Roy P. Rudolf to their parents in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois from October 17, 1918 through June 15, 1919. The letters (the majority of which are from Roy) describe daily life in France, mainly after the cease fire on November 11, 1918. Porter’s letter of November 21, 1918 gives a detailed account of the last day of the war and the "hoping against hope that the Armistice would be signed which would prevent any one being killed on the final day..."
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