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This guide gives brief descriptions of the various holdings in the microform collection of the United States Military Academy Library. Directions are included as to their locations within the library. Instructions are also given for accessing the contents of the different holdings. The microform collection of the USMA Library is useful for research in American History and studies in English and American literature.
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CHAPTER 1
MICROFORMS

Microform offers many advantages to library collections. Completeness, durability, and economy of space have prompted the USMA Library to acquire substantial holdings in microform.

This pamphlet is written to acquaint the user with the depth and breadth of the Library's microform holdings. It will describe how to use the collections. It will also explain the different equipment at the patron's disposal.

Microform is the generic term for photo-reduction of printed or graphic material. In the USMA Library, it is found in 4 formats: microfilm, microprint or micro-opaque, microfiche, and ultra-microfiche.

1. Microfilm. Microfilm is the most common of the microforms. 35mm or 16mm films are wound on reels. A typical reel may hold up to 1000 pages of print. Most of the Library's holdings in journals, newspapers, and theses are reproduced in this format.

2. Microprint or micro-opaque. Microprint was an early type of microform, developed by the Readex, Inc., firm. Although it is relatively inexpensive to produce, it requires specialized reading equipment and is difficult to photocopy. Each sheet is 6” x 9” and is stored in box-like containers on book shelves.

3. Microfiche is a 6” x 8” sheet and holds 100 pages per sheet. This popular format offers compact storage and ease of use. Many government documents appear in this format.

4. Ultra-microfiche is the result of further refinement in optics that enable even more information to be reproduced on a single fiche. One 3” x 5” fiche may contain up to 1000 pages. The collection of books and journals called the Library of American Civilization is in the ultra-microfiche format.
LOCATION OF MICROFORMS

The majority of microform holdings in the USMA Library is in the Moore Wing, located in the southwest corner of the first floor adjacent to the Periodical Room. Here are located banks of microfilm cabinets, shelves of microprint and numerous readers for film, fiche and microprint. Most of the holdings in microfilm are journals or newspapers and are arranged alphabetically by title. Microprint and microfilm book collections are located on the south wall beyond the bound periodicals. There are various readers, mostly for microfilm, as well as for microfiche, microprint, and ultramicrofiche. A reader-printer is located in the Periodical Room. Guides and reference books to the various collections are shelved on the bookcase facing the entrance to the Moore Wing.

The Documents Collection also offers a substantial microform collection. Its microfilm holdings are stored in the west end of room 212, just outside the door of the Documents Room. Again, cabinets hold film and fiche while microprint is arranged in its containers on book shelves. Also in room 212 are several microfiche, microfilm, and microprint readers. There is a reader-printer for microfiche and microfilm in the Documents Room, as well as the library's only microprint copier.

The Special Collections and Archives Divisions, located on the 4th floor, have some of their resources in microfilm. Special Collections' microfilm holdings are located in the 4th floor stack area, outside the cage on the west wall. There is a microfilm reader-printer machine available for use.

USE OF MICROFORM EQUIPMENT

Microform equipment is relatively easy to use. Many of the machines have instructions posted on them. There is an on-off switch, a focus control, and an advance or rewind lever or knob.

Microfilm must be properly threaded to be used successfully. The film usually feeds from the top of the roll onto an empty reel. Insure that the film is properly threaded between the glass holders.
MICROCARD READER
Motorized readers are available for lengthy searches through many reels. Always rewind film after use as a courtesy to the next user.

The microprint readers may be used for either fiche or print. A switch gives the user the option of either format. Place the microcard face down on the glass receptacle, the top of the microcard closest, and select the correct pages by manipulating the top glass cover.

Microfiche readers are the easiest to operate. Place the fiche right side up, title (top) side toward you, between the glass plates. The glass plate is moved to locate the appropriate page.

The library has photocopying machines for microfilm or microfiche full size "hard" copies. The expense of copies and the complexity of operation require that a staff member operate the reader-printers. Do not request copies of routine printed material which may be copied longhand. Maps, charts, graphs and the like are appropriate to request for copies. Decisions regarding exceptions to this policy will be made by the library staff.
CHAPTER 2

BOOKS

The section of the pamphlet which follows will describe the microform collections of the USMA Library. Its resources may surprise many of our users. Many of the collections are not represented in the card catalog.

Early English Books, 1475-1640. (Moore Wing; 35mm Microfilm)

There are 26,500 titles on 1,615 reels. It is based on A.W. Pollard and G.R. Redgrave's Short Title Catalog. This massive work encompasses the earliest days of printing continuing through the Renaissance and the Elizabethan period. One may find the earliest editions of Chaucer, Spenser, Shakespeare, More, Erasumus, and Bacon. Military, legal, royal and other public documents are included. Religious controversy, philosophy, and economic issues may also be examined.

Reference books:


Early English Books, 1475-1640: a guide to the microfilm collection. (not cataloged; shelved in Moore Wing)

Early English Books, 1475-1640: a cross index. (not cataloged; shelved in Moore Wing)

Pollard and Redgrave's STC is an author list. The user will find an alphabetic listing of an author's work, sub-arranged by title and date of publication. Each entry is assigned a unique number (e.g. 7045). This number is a key to locating the text so be sure to note it.
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Titles of English Books is a title index to the STC. It does not provide the STC number so it will still be necessary to refer back to the STC.

Early English Books, 1475-1640; a guide to the microform collection and Early English Books, 1475-1640; a cross index are both published by Xerox University Microfilms. The microfilm collection is not arranged in the same sequence as the Pollard and Redgrave STC. The guide lists the sequence in which the books were filmed and also notes the condition of the copy filmed. They are published in small paperback selections, rather than a single volume. The cross index is vital for locating the appropriate reel of microfilm.

Example: Assume you wish to read John Donne's Poems in its earliest edition. On page 157 of Pollard and Redgrave's STC you note that the earliest edition was printed in 1633, and its STC number is 7045. Looking up 7045 in the Cross Index, on page 28, you note that STC 7045 is on reel 881. Reel 881 is then located in the microfilm cabinet and viewed. From 5-30 titles may be on a single reel, so the contents page at the beginning of each reel should be checked.

Early English Books, 1641-1700. (Moore Wing; 35mm Microfilm)

There are 25,795 titles available (50,000 when complete in 1990) on 1025 reels. It is based on Donald Wing's Short Title Catalogue of books printed in England... 1641-1700. Just as Wing's bibliography was meant to continue Pollard and Redgrave, so does the microfilm collection. This is an interesting period of English history, covering the English Civil War, the execution of Charles I, the Commonwealth of Oliver Cromwell, the Restoration, and the Revolution of 1688. In literature, there are editions of Milton, Dryden, Bunyan, and the Restoration dramatists.
Reference Books:


*Early English Books, 1641-1700; a guide to the microfilm collection* (not cataloged; in Moore Wing)

*Early English Books, 1641-1700; a cross index.* (not cataloged; in Moore Wing)

Use of the collection is similar to Pollard and Redgrave. Wing is an author listing. *Titles of English books* is a title index to Wing. The guide to the collection lists the sequence in which the books were filmed and the condition of the book filmed. The cross index is essential in locating a specific title. Example: assume you wish to read the first edition of John Bunyan's *The Pilgrims Progress.* The Wing number is B5557 (p. 212, Vol II) (Wing numbers have the first letter of the author's last name at the beginning of the number). The cross index reveals that this edition has not yet been filmed but that the second edition, B5558, has been filmed and is located on reel no. 206 (p. 19, Cross Index).

It must be remembered that not all titles listed in the index have been reproduced in this collection; many have yet to be filmed.

Both the Wing and the Pollard and Redgrave collections lack a subject access to the books therein. The student must know either the author or the title of the volume before he/she may effectively use the collection. Bibliographic guides to the period may be of some assistance, particularly the *Bibliography of British History,* (ZZ018.D25 REF) (Stuart Period) and (ZZ018.R28 REF) (Tudor Period)
The Thomason Tracts. (Moore Wing; 35mm microfilm)

George Thomason was a London bookseller who collected almost everything published during the period of the English Civil War and Commonwealth, 1640-1661. Many of the items are pamphlets or leaflets; some 22,000 items have been filmed.

Reference Books:

Wing, Donald. Short Title Catalog of Books Printed in England, 1641-1700. 3 vols. (Z2002 .W5 REF; shelved in Moore Wing)

Catalog of the Pamphlets, Books, Newspapers and Manuscripts...collected by George Thomason 1640-1661. (ZS018 B85 1977 REF; shelved in Moore Wing)

The Thomason Tracts 1640-1661; an index to the microfilm edition of the Thomason collection of the British library. 2 vols. Pt 1 Thomason Tract Index. Pt 2 Wing Cross Index. (Z2018.T483 REF; shelved in Moore Wing)

Both the Wing bibliography and the Thomason catalog provide access to this collection. If the work cited is through Wing, one would use the Wing Cross Index to locate the specific reel on which the tract is filmed. If the title is located through the Thomason Tract bibliography, the Thomason Tract Index is a straightforward guide to reel location. The Thomason Tracts are located in the far south end of the Moore Wing, adjacent to the Early English Books, 1641-1700 collection.

Early American Imprints, First Series (Evans) 1639-1800. (Moore Wing; microprint)

The library owns microform collections on American publishing which are analogous to the STC. Charles Evans' monumental work, American Bibliography, endeavored to list every book, pamphlet, and broadside published in the United States from 1639-1800.
The Readex Microprint edition of each book listed in the bibliography was authenticated by the American Antiquarian Society. There are approximately 42,000 titles in the collection providing a valuable resource in Colonial and Federalist American history.

Reference Books:

Evans, Charles, American Bibliography, 13 vols.  
(Z1215 .E923 REF; shelved in Moore Wing)

Shipton, Clifford, and Mooney, James, National Index of American Imprints through 1800, 2 vols.  
(Z1215 S495 REF; shelved in Moore Wing)

Evans' bibliography is arranged by year rather than author. The Shipton and Mooney set is alphabetic by author and is much more accurate than the Evans' bibliography. Shipton and Mooney claim Evans is only 90% accurate and omits 10,000 titles which have been uncovered since Evans published his work in 1903. The listing in Shipton provides the Evans number which is used to locate the microprint card. Anonymous works are arranged by title.

Example: John Adams' Thoughts on Government.  
Page 4, vol. 7 of Shipton and Mooney, shows three editions, 2 of 1776 and 1 of 1778, with Evans' numbers 14640, 14639, and 20911 respectively. With these numbers one simply locates the appropriate microprint card. There is usually one title per card. They are sequentially arranged by Evans' number. There are also guide cards in the USMA card catalog under an author's name or the title of an anonymous work. These guide cards are designed to alert the user to the existence of the microprint edition, not as a guide to specific books. Locating specific titles requires the use of the Evans or Shipton and Mooney bibliographies.
Early American Imprints, Second Series (Shaw-Shoemaker) 1801-1819. (Moore Wing; microprint)

The bibliographic effort of Charles Evans was continued by Ralph B. Shaw and Richard H. Shoemaker, who noted all editions of books, pamphlets, and broadsides printed in the United States from 1801-1819. The microprint edition of this bibliography runs to approximately 50,000 titles. The titles of the Shaw and Shoemaker series are arranged chronologically and follow the number of the entries of the year-by-year bibliography.

Reference Books:

Shaw, Ralph R. and Shoemaker, Richard H., American Bibliography; a preliminary check list 1801-1819. 23 vols. with title index. (Z1215 .S48 REF; shelved in Moore Wing)

Taken together, the microprint edition of the Evans and Shaw and Shoemaker bibliographies provide the USMA Library with an exceptional resource of early American imprints from 1639-1819. The Harvard Guide to American History (Z1236 .H27 REF), and other specialized bibliographies help provide subject access to the collections.

Library of American Civilization (Moore Wing; ultramicrofiche)

The Library of American Civilization, familiarly known as the LAC, is an ultra-microfiche collection of books, journals, and government documents, assembled by Library Resources, Inc., an Encyclopedia Britannica Company. This collection of over 12,000 fiche and 15,000 titles is particularly thorough in 19th and early 20th Century American history and culture.
Reference Books:

Library Resources, Inc. Microbook Library of American Civilization. 3 vols. (Author, Title, Subject) (Z1236 .L5; in Moore Wing). Copies also in Special Collections, English Dept., History Dept., and Social Science Dept.

Access to the LAC is the best of our microform collections. In addition to the book catalogs cited above, the set is fully cataloged with the catalog cards filed in the USMA Library main card catalog. In those instances where the library already owned a copy of the reproduced title, the LAC card was filed behind the card for the USMA copy. The Collection is in a file cabinet in the southwest corner of the Moore Wing. The fiche are arranged by LAC identification number in a straight numerical sequence. The LAC number is on the upper right of a LAC catalog card.

Special readers must be used for the LAC because of the ultra-microfiche reduction ratio. The Quantor 310, a yellow machine with a bluish screen, is appropriate. It is possible to get paper copies from ultrafiche from the 3-M "800" microfiche reader-printer in the Periodical Room.

Example: One is searching in the UNITED STATES-RELIGION subject file in the USMA Library main card catalog. In addition to the regular catalog cards, there is also a card: Brewer, David Josiah, The United States of Christian Nation. Philadelphia, 1905. There is no call number on this card, but an LAC card number on the upper right; in this instance, it is LAC 16873. One would note this as one would a call number and retrieve it from the LAC file in the Moore Wing. There is an eye-legible author and title notation on the top of each ultra-microfiche. Use this as a doublecheck before removing the fiche from the file. Do not refile the fiche after use but return it to the box on top of the file.
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Jeffersonian Americana (Moore Wing; microfiche)

This is a selection of 708 titles from the library of Thomas Jefferson or books relating to the Jeffersonian era. The books are filmed on 3 x 5 microfiche cards. Many of the books are also in the Evans collection. An author card for each title has been filed in the main card catalog. The fiche are located in the Moore Wing, far right hand side as you enter and are in the same cabinets as the Library of American Civilization (LAC). The fiche are arranged by ES number, located on the lower right corner of the catalog card. There are eye-legible headings of author and title on each fiche. Use a regular microfiche reader with this set, not an LAC reader.

Reference Book:


Pamphlets in American History (Moore Wing; microfiche)

The pamphlet, usually defined as a publication of fewer than 50 pages, has had a long history in the United States. The researcher, however, may find them difficult to locate and use. Most pamphlets were privately printed and had an uneven distribution. Libraries have been unable to acquire and organize only a small part of this literature.

The publishers of the microfiche collection Pamphlets in American History have sought to remedy this situation.

They have produced microfiche copies of selected pamphlets from a variety of sources, but principally from the large pamphlet collection of the State Historical Society of Wisconsin. The initial release of 5288 pamphlets was made in 1979. Future supplements are planned.
Access to the collection is through the publication:

**Pamphlets in American History: a bibliographic guide to the microform collection** (Z1236 .P27 REF; shelved in Moore Wing)

The guide provides an explanation of the numbering system of the microfiche, together with an author, title, and subject index.

The initial group owned by the USMA Library covers the following subjects: Biography (general), Indians, Revolutionary War, Revolutionary War Biography, and Women. The microfiche themselves are also arranged in these clusters.

**Western Americana** (Moore Wing; microfiche)

This collection includes more than 1000 books and documents published in the 18th, 19th and early 20th centuries. It is organized into 22 topical subsections, including the fur trade, Mormons, agriculture, livestock, women, politics, and regional, state, or local histories.

**Reference Books:**


Western Americana: an annotated bibliography to the microfiche collection of 1012 books and documents of the 18th, 19th and early 20th century. (Z1251 W5 .W47 REF; shelved in Moore Wing)

Access to the collection is through the printed bibliography, Western Americana, which provides an assigned sequence number. The collection is divided into 22 subsections; within each subsection, the arrangement is alphabetical by author. Each microfiche has an eye- legible header strip providing author, title, and sequence number.

Three Centuries of English and American Plays, 1500-1800. (Moore Wing; microprint)

This set contains over 5000 plays published in England from 1500 through 1800 and in the United States from 1714 through 1830. It contains the earliest editions of the major playwrights as well as the more obscure plays which would perhaps be of more interest from a sociological rather than a literary viewpoint. The plays are arranged in separate chronological groups: 1516-1641, 1641-1700, 1701-1750, 1751-1800, 1737-1800 Larpent Manuscript Plays, and 1714-1800 American Plays. Microcards within each group are alphabetical by playwright, or title, if the author is unknown. Headings on each card give authors and titles.

Reference Books:


The Bergquist Checklist is an alphabetic author and title listing of the plays in the set. All plays attributed to a playwright are listed under his/her name, together with the author's chronological period. Nicoll's History served as the selection guide for the set and provides useful historical information about the plays and playwrights.

English and American Plays of the 19th Century: English Plays, 1801-1900. (Moore Wing; microprint)

This set continues the Three Centuries of English and American Plays through the nineteenth century. There are approximately 28,000 plays in the collection. The microprint cards are arranged in two separate alphabets; English Plays and American Plays. Again, the cards are alphabetic by author within each set. Headings on each card give playwright and title.

Reference Books:


Quinn, Hobson; A History of the American Drama from the Beginning to the Civil War. (PS332 .Q55 1943 REF; shelved in Moore Wing)

Quinn, Hobson. A History of the American Drama from the Civil War to Present Day. (PS332 .Q55 1936 REF; shelved in Moore Wing)

"The collection will include, whenever possible, every play of the nineteenth century." Publisher.

Confederate Imprints, 1861-1865. (Moore Wing, 35 mm microfilm)

Confederate imprints are books or printed materials that were published in the South during the time it
CONFEDERATE IMPRINT SERIES. LOCATE BY IMPRINT NUMBER.

Confederate Imprint Catalog Card
(Main card catalog)

Microfilm

MICROFILM

IMPRINT NUMBER

2717

The Confederate confiscation bill. Richmond? 1861. 8 p. 23 cm.
Caption title.
MB, MBE1

CONFEDERATE IMPRINT SERIES. LOCATE BY IMPRINT NUMBER.

Confederate Imprint Catalog Card
(Main card catalog)

Micro-
fiche

IV. Title V. Series

NUM
22 SEP 77 MR

Early English Text Society Catalog Card
(Main card catalog)

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had seceded from the union. Some 600 items have been filmed. Some of the most valuable items to the historian are the sundry Confederate and state documents of the period. Broadsides and leaflets reveal the emotional issues of the time.

Reference Books:

Crandell, Marjorie L. Confederate Imprints. 2 vols. (Z1242.5 .C7 SPEC).


Access to the material on the film is by number assigned to the imprint, in the Crandall or Harwell bibliographies. Besides the copies located in Special Collections, there is a bound photocopy of the Crandall bibliography on top of one of the microfilm cabinets in the Moore Wing. In addition, an author card has been filed in the main card catalog for each imprint. The Crandall/Harwell number is located on each card. There is a file of cards in a cardboard box also in the Moore Wing, near the Crandall bibliography; these are arranged by author as well, and given Crandall or Harwell numbers.

The microfilm reels for the Confederate Imprint collection are located in the Moore Wing, in the far right bank of cabinets as one enters the room, following the sequence of periodical/newspaper microfilm. The Crandall bibliography and card file mentioned above are located on top of these cabinets, near the Confederate Imprints.

After looking up the author and noting the number, it is necessary to look through the inclusive numbers on the microfilm containers, till a range is found that includes the number of the item that has been chosen. Then, after mounting the microfilm, the reel must be run through until the number is reached. These numbers are displayed in large numerals in frames preceding the item.
Publications of the Early English Text Society. (Moore Wing, microfiche)

The Early English Text Society was an organization founded in Britain with the intent of making available through editorial emendation and publication many of the important works of medieval literature. The publication of the hitherto unavailable or inaccessible materials pointed out the need for a better dictionary and served as the impetus for the undertaking of the monumental Oxford English Dictionary.

Each title in the collection is fully cataloged, and is accessible through the main card catalog. The microfiche are arranged by the EETS series number on the upper left corner of the catalog card. There are approximately 250 titles in the series. They are in the orange microfiche cabinet in the Moore Wing.

Documents on Contemporary China 1949-1975 (Moore Wing, microfiche)

The documents in the collection consist of approximately 3400 items selected by the staff and faculty of Columbia University. Almost all the documents are in English.

Access to the collection is through the printed bibliography/index. Each document is filed by the number assigned in the bibliography. The documents are separated into the following sections: Bibliography/reference; enactments of Party and government; Provin- cial/Municipal data; leadership information; Red Guard translations; research and analysis reports. The collection is in the orange microfiche cabinet in the Moore Wing; the bibliography/index is shelved on top of the cabinet.

Draft and Military Law Collection (Moore Wing, microfiche)

This collection presents 181 principal legal cases of the 1960's which concern conscientious objection and draft law. The cases are documented through memos,
briefs, news clippings, and attorneys work papers. There are 188 microfiche filed in two looseleaf binders. There is a printed index. The collection is shelved in the Moore Wing on the far south wall, left-hand side.

Historical Documents of WW II (Moore Wing, 35mm microfilm)

Following WW II, the Adjutant General arranged for the microfilming of what were deemed to be potentially useful resources for future historians. There are memoranda, maps, photographs, afteraction reports, correspondence, official records, surveys, and unit histories. Although the organization of these materials is chaotic, there is much of interest to the military historian. A 5x7 card index located on top of the microfilm cabinet (Moore Wing, far right hand bank of cabinets as one enters) is the only guide to the collection. The best approach to material in the collection is through the activity of a specific unit, rather than by date or battle. There are 279 reels of both 16 and 35mm microfilm.

Russian Historical Sources (Moore Wing; microprint)

The USMA Library's collection from this series is incomplete. Sections owned by the library include:

The Revolution and the All-Union Communist Party in Materials and Documents, Moscow, 1924-1928; 7 vols.


All of these volumes, published by Readex Microprint, are written in Russian. They provide primary source material for historians of Russia and Russian foreign
policy. An English language publication, Guide to the Krasnyi Arkhiv, accompanies the collection. The containers are shelved on the south wall, Moore Wing.
CHAPTER 3

PERIODICALS

The largest part of the library's microform collections consists of periodical holdings. The library began buying extensive collections of periodicals in microform in the 1960's and 70's in view of the increasing research demands being made on the library as well as the obvious saving of space that microform afforded. The periodical collection was increased when the library moved into its present facility in 1964. This meant, however, that the complete run of a periodical, that is, from vol. 1, no. 1, was often unavailable. The microform set provided the opportunity to fill in the gaps in the periodical collection.

The best guide to the library's microform periodical holdings is its publication, Selective Serials List. This listing shows the periodical title, the library's holdings, and the locations for current and bound issues. When a periodical is present in microform its holdings are designated as "MIC," e.g.,

CURRENT HISTORY v.1, 1941
MIC v.1-65, 1941-1973

This indicates that the library's holdings are from volume 1 to the current issue in both bound volumes and loose issues and that there are microfilm copies for volumes 1-65. For heavily used periodicals such as TIME, NEWSWEEK, and the like, there is often a back-up set of microfilm to insure availability of frequently consulted material.
The American Periodical Series (Moore Wing; 35mm microfilm)

Series I: 1741-1800 89 titles, 33 reels
Series II: 1800-1850 911 titles, 1966 reels
Series III: 1850-1900 108 titles, 674 reels

This large set of over 1000 titles offers extensive primary source material in U.S. studies over a wide variety of subjects. The titles in the series can be accessed through the library's publication, Selective Serials List. A sample listing:

SOUTHERN LITERARY MESSENGER AMER PS II: 438-47
MIC v.1-36
1834-1864//

The Selective Serials List indicates that the "Southern Literary Messenger" is located in American Periodical Series II, reels number 438 through 447. The double slashes mean that the entire run of the periodical is complete and that no more were published. The American Periodical Series is filed in the microfilm cabinets in the Moore Wing, under "American." Because the titles are kept as a unit and are not alphabetic within the series, access by title is only possible through the USMA Selective Serials List or the publication, American Periodicals, 1741-1900 (Z6951.H65 REF) which provides a number of access points to the collection. American Periodicals, 1741-1900 includes a title index, a subject index, an editor index and a reel number index.

The Library of American Civilization, previously described in Chapter 2, also contains a number of significant periodicals. Access to these titles may be through the card catalog, the LAC catalogs, or the USMA Selective Serial List.
Early British Periodicals (Moore Wing, 35mm microfilm)

This collection contains 168 journals supplying basic sources of research on 18th and 19th Century Britain. The dates of the journals run from 1681 to 1921. The periodicals deal with politics, economics, philosophy, and social conditions. As with the American Periodical Series, the best access is through the USMA Library's Selective Serial List, available throughout the library. This title-by-title listing cites the Early British Periodicals series as "EARLY B P S." Again, like the American Periodical Series these periodicals are located as a single unit in the Moore Wing within the alphabet under "British."

Reference Books:


CHAPTER 4
NEWSPAPERS

The USMA Library's collection of newspapers in microform constitutes a considerable body of primary source material. Because newspapers are generally printed on highly acidic paper and therefore deteriorate rapidly, microform is a particularly appropriate medium for their preservation.

The daily newspapers purchased by the USMA Library with backfiles on microform are known for their national and international coverage as well as their accessibility through indexes. These are the NY Times (1851-present), the Times (London) (1784-present), the Christian Science-Monitor (1936-present), the Wall Street Journal (1949-present), and the Washington Post (1972-present). All of the above newspapers are on 35mm microfilm and are located in the microfilm cabinets in the Moore Wing, interfiled alphabetically by title with the periodicals on microfilm. The indexes to these newspapers are located in the library index area, adjacent to the card catalog.

The library also has a microfilm set of the Newburgh Evening News (1969-present) owing to its coverage of USMA activities and other local matters of historical interest. There is also a backfile of its predecessors, the Newburgh News (1924-1969), the Newburgh Daily News (1885-1924), the Newburgh Telegraph (1831-1867), the Newburgh Daily Journal (1876), the Newburgh City Press (1966), the Newburgh Highland Courier (1843, 1847), and the Newburgh Journal (1841-1843). These are all in the Moore Wing.

Military newspapers have been acquired on microfilm for their historic value in their contemporary accounts of the armed services. These include the Stars and Stripes (1918-1919; 1942-1966) (the file includes European, Stateside, and Pacific editions), Yank (1942-1945), Army Times (1940-present), Air Force Times (1948-present), and Navy Times (1969-present).
Other newspapers owned by USMA on microfilm include the Federal Times (1965-present), the Manchester (England) Guardian (1960-1978), Pravda (1969-present), and Izvestiia (1964-present).

The Library also owns two separate microform collections of newspapers, the Early American Newspapers and the Underground Newspaper Collection.

The Early American Newspapers were assembled by Readex Microprint. They are located on the back wall of the Moore Wing. USMA owns the following titles:

- The Boston Newsletter - 1704-1776
- The Massachusetts Spy - 1770-1775
- The Boston Chronicle - 1767-1770
- The Censor - 1771-1772
- Rivington, NY Gazette - 1777-1783
- Rivington, NY Gazetteer - 1773-1775
- Rivington, NY Loyal Gazette - 1777
- Royal Gazette - 1777-1783

The Underground Newspaper Collection is a collection of protest literature from the 1960's and 1970's. Anti-war and reform in nature, they comprise an important part of our cultural history. Many of the alternative press publications found that they filled a need and have thus continued to be published although they have often evolved into a slicker publication than its early antecedents.

To use the collection, consult the publication Underground Newspaper Microfilm Collection, located in the Moore Wing. The titles are listed alphabetically with date of publication and the reel number of the collection. On 35mm microfilm, the collection is in the Moore Wing filed by "Underground."
MICROFORM AREA, RM. 212

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CHAPTER 5

GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS

Publications of international and national governmental agencies constitute an extraordinary collection of primary source material. Because of the voluminous nature of these publications, it is in the interest of space that these materials are acquired in microform. The specialized indexes for government publications provide access to specific documents and are equally useful for microform holdings.

As do most depository libraries and college and university libraries, the USMA Library separates government documents into a distinct collection. It is located on the 2nd floor of the USMA Library. Government documents on microform are likewise kept separate to provide continuity with the paper copies and to provide equal accessibility to the specialized indexes.

The microform holdings of the Documents Collection are located in Room 212, outside the main entrance to the Collection. Here are located microfilm and microfiche cabinets, and shelving with microprint containers. Microfiche, microfilm, and microprint readers are available for use. A reader-printer is available in the Documents Collection. However, permission to use the printer is granted only by the Documents Collection staff.

United Nations Documents and Official Records

This is an incomplete collection of mimeographed and printed documents of the principal organs of the United Nations: the General Assembly, the Security Council, the Economic and Social Council, and the Trusteeship Council. Documents produced by sub-groups of these bodies, such as committees, commissions, conferences, and seminars are included. Publications of the Secretariat and the specialized agencies (FAO, ILO, GATT, UNESCO, WHO) are not published in this series.
The collection is on microfiche, located in the file drawers lining the hallway in front of the documents room. The arrangement is by year.

Access to the collection is through the United Nations Documents Index, shelved along the north wall of Room 212. This provides subject access to U.N. documents by year. First note the document number following each citation, then check the United Nations Documents Inventory of Microfiche Collection, located on the documents librarian's desk, to verify whether or not the document is in the collection. These numbers are on the strip at the top of each microfiche. The fiche are all arranged in document number sequence.

Coverage extends from the earliest preparatory meetings in 1945, to the first session of the U.N. in 1946, through 1977.

Great Britain. Parliament. Journal, 1547-1900

The Journal is the official record of the House of Commons. The Journal is not in the form of minutes, but is an explanatory narrative. They include many petitions. It formally records actions on the basis of procedure, including many which are now taken for granted and not actually performed; the reader must familiarize himself with its conventions and language. It remains the most accessible record of the activities of Parliament. Indexes to the Journals are in a separate Readex container at the end of the sequence. The index is divided chronologically.


The Debates are the official record of speeches and addresses on the floor of Parliament. The Debates were begun by William Cobbett as a private venture in continuing his work The Parliamentary History from 1066-1803 (36 volumes) which comprises the initial part of the microprint collection. T.C. Hansard took over
from Cobbett in 1813. The Debates then began to be called Hansard as they are to this day. It is now published by H.M. Stationery Office. The microprint edition contains indexes following each session of Parliament. The Bibliography of British History cautions that Cobbett's Parliamentary History has been largely superseded by subsequent publication of diaries and other original source material.

Reference Books:


Rogers, Frank. A Guide to British Parliamentary Papers. (Z674 .T52 no.82 DOCS)

U.S. Congress. Serial Set.

The Serial Set is the compilation of Congressional publications which consists of House and Senate Reports and House and Senate Documents. Reports may be special reports or miscellaneous reports on public and/or private bills. Documents, in terms of the Serial Set, mean materials that originate in Congress, or the Executive departments and dependent agencies, or nationally incorporated agencies which report to Congress.

The USMA Library, although a possessor of the original Serial Set volumes, has chosen to acquire the entire Serial Set in microform. The original volumes had become seriously deteriorated over the years and were in too fragile a condition to be used extensively. The Documents Collection had become congested and removal of the Serial Set provided needed space. The USMA set was also missing some volumes; the microform set provided a complete edition.

The Serial Set is available on Readex microprint cards from the 15th Congress, 1817, to the 57th Congress, 1903; in microfiche from the 58th Congress, 1903, to the 91st Congress, 1969. The library has retained
the bound volumes from the 64th Congress on. Earlier volumes are in storage.

Naturally, the same indexes are used for the microform sets as for the printed sets, viz., the Serial Set Index, the GPO Monthly Catalog, and the Numerical Lists and Schedule of Volumes. All of these indexes are located in the Documents Collection index area. The microforms are arranged by Serial Set number which offers a quick and easy method of retrieval of the desired publication.

Materials similar to those covered in the Serial Set for the years following 1969 are indexed by the CIS Indexes, also located along the west wall of the Documents Room.

CIS Microfiche Library

Congressional Information Service, Inc., provides reference and information retrieval services to Congressional publications and public laws. As a companion to its indexing and abstracting services, CIS provides a comprehensive collection of contemporary government documents on microfiche. This collection is extremely useful to undergraduate researchers, particularly because the documents are so thoroughly indexed. The microfiche collection is also commendable for its provision of scarce and often unavailable Congressional committee publications. In using the CIS Index, the researcher is led from an author/subject index volume to an abstract volume which permits evaluation of the source publication. The same number used in arranging the abstracts is also used in the arrangement of the microfiche.

The CIS/Index user may or may not find a paper copy of a document in the USMA Library Documents Collection; the microfiche copy is always available. The CIS microfiche are filed by year. The use of the GPO Monthly Catalog necessitates a subsequent search in the CIS/Index to locate the CIS Abstract/Microfiche number.

The publications of Congressional committees are the working papers for the members and staff of a committee or subcommittee. It is normally intended for internal use; it may be indirectly or unrelated to the legislation at hand. Nevertheless, it provides useful information for topical research.

Use of the microfiche collection is possible through two different sets of indexes.

The first, a three-volume bibliography and index produced by Greenwood Press, is shelved in the Documents Collection index area. It is entitled A Bibliography and Indexes of United States Congressional Committee Prints. Lacking a subject heading approach, the Bibliography volume of this index is alphabetically arranged according to the key words of the committee's name (always in bold type), key words of the subcommittee's name (if any), and by title, which is sometimes inverted to bring out key words. The Indexes volume lists Committee Prints by title. In all cases, the code number in the lower-right corner of the entry refers you directly to the microfiche, all arranged in the sequence of the code.

The second index, entitled the CIS US Congressional Committee Index, is a five-volume work produced by the Congressional Information Service. Superceding the Greenwood Press publication described above, it has the advantage of an index by subjects and names in the first two volumes. The third volume contains a variety of finding aids: an index by titles, by number of Congress with Committee subheadings, by bill numbers, and by Superintendent of Documents Classification Numbers.

No matter what index is used, each citation will always contain a reference to a code number that immediately refers to the Committee Prints microfiche in Room 212.
The Hearings for these committees were acquired to provide research material on the U.S. Congress and WWII. In 1946, the functions of the Committee on Military Affairs of both houses was assumed by their respective Committee on Armed Services. The microfiche of the committee hearings is arranged by volume number which may be found in the Index to Congressional Committee Hearings shelved in the Documents Collection index area. The Monthly Catalog will provide subject citations to the hearings, but it will still require the use of the Index of Congressional Committee Hearings to locate the volume number for the microfiche.

EARLY CONGRESSIONAL PUBLICATIONS

The American State Papers

The library owns a copy of this set in bound form but it is in a deteriorating condition. It is a compilation of selected documents dealing with matters of domestic and foreign policy, divided into 10 classes covering material from the 1st to the 17th, 20th, 24th, or 25th Congress, depending on the class. The library owns a copy of the set on microfilm. The American State Papers provides material not covered by the Serial Set which began in 1817. There are 38 reels of 35mm microfilm. Material is covered from 1789 to 1838.

Material in the American State Papers is indexed in the first three volumes of the CIS U.S. Serial Set Index. Citations for these papers are listed among citations for the later Serial Set; a citation dealing with the American State Papers is followed by the abbreviation ASP, and a number (01 through 038) indicating the reel.
number. The number at the left of the citation refers to the item number within the reel.

U.S. Debates and Proceedings of Congress, also known as the Annals of Congress; the Register of Debates.

These two early publications were predecessors of the Congressional Record. They comprise 16 reels of microfilm and are filed in the microfilm cabinets under U.S. The sets provide an early record of the proceedings of Congress from 1789-1837. They are not a verbatim account, but more in the nature of an abstract.

The Congressional Globe

Like the Register of Debates, the Congressional Globe was a predecessor of the Congressional Record, and ran from 1833 to 1873. Its early years consisted of an abstract of debates but during the 1850's, it gradually shifted to a verbatim account. It is filed under "congressional" in the microfilm cabinets and comprises 19 reels of microfilm.

The contents of these publications can be accessed by the indexes reproduced within the reels.

SPECIALIZED COLLECTIONS

Declassified Documents Reference System

Since the Freedom of Information Act and the "mandatory review" provisions of Executive Order 11652, thousands of formerly classified documents have been declassified. The Carrollton Press has published a retrospective collection of these documents. Since 1975 they have published an annual collection of the documents declassified that year. The collection is indexed, abstracted, and contains the full text of each document on microfiche. Most documents in the collection originated with the CIA, the State Department, the National Security Council, and the various agencies of the Department of Defense. This useful service provides not only previously classified facts and interpreta-
tions but also insight into the decision-making processes at the highest levels of government. The declassified documents run from the post-WWII years to the recent past.

The microfiche collection is arranged in the same sequence as the entries in the abstract. Because some documents may be only a 1 or 2 page memoranda, several documents may be on a single fiche. The abstract number and the microfiche number are the same.

CIA Collection

This is a collection of reference material from the research collections of the CIA. Included are publications of other executive departments as well as the CIA internal analyses. This collection is of limited value owing to the lack of a suitable indexing system. The only approaches are on an author card file in the Documents Collection and the microfiche file itself which is alphabetic by title. Most of this reference material was produced in the 1970s; some material is included from the '50s and '60s.

TECHNICAL REPORT LITERATURE

The technical report is a product of federal support of scientific and technical research and development. The technical report may include results of original research, compilations of data already published in another form, and publications describing the activity of the agency. Almost every branch of the physical and social sciences is covered.

Access to the literature is through various specialized indexes, to include the GPO Monthly Catalog, Government Reports Announcements, and the Technical Abstracts Bulletin. ERIC (Educational Resources Information Center) documents are accessed through its publication Research in Education. The library's collection of technical reports is far from complete but nevertheless constitutes a useful resource. Technical reports are

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acquired in microfiche and are filed by their document number in Room 212. AD technical reports, which often include Army War College theses, are strongly represented. Publications of the Joint Publications Research Service (JPRS) are also extensively represented, as are selected holdings of the National Technical Information Service (NTIS).

MICROFORM PUBLICATIONS ON WWII

The Ultra Documents

This collection reproduces the ULTRA documents, German secret messages of World War II. Thought by them to be secure, the messages were encoded by the sophisticated Enigma machine. All were successfully decoded by British cryptographers.

The arrangement of the material is confusing. The ULTRA documents are organized three ways:

1. By serial number
2. By reference numbers assigned by the British Public Record Office
3. By date and hour

Serial numbers appear at the top of each page; notations for dates and hours appear at the bottom.

The ULTRA Documents microfilm collection has no printed subject index. However, the librarian in the Documents Room can refer you to a folder labeled ULTRA which is among the bibliographies in the bottom drawer of the file cabinet along the south wall of the Documents Room. It contains an inventory that lists all of the documents in the sequence in which they are found on the microfilms, including references to reel numbers. The best method for searching among these messages is to first have an idea of the date of a message, find its location among the dates in the inventory, and then refer to the page numbers, serial numbers, and reel numbers on the inventory table.

The folder also contains an introduction that discusses the arrangement of the documents in further detail, as well as copies of several articles about the ULTRA documents.
UNITED STATES. Bureau of the Budget.
Bureau of the Budget, War Records Section (1944)
(2), 73 p.
Typescript.


Administrative Histories of WWII Civilian Agencies
Catalog Cards
(Main card catalog)
A good orientation to the collection is provided by the book entitled ULTRA and the History of the United States Strategic Air Force in Europe vs. the German Air Force (D810.S7.U52). It discusses the contents of the documents chronologically, thus giving the necessary initial references to dates.

The Magic Documents: Summaries and Transcripts of the Top-Secret Diplomatic Communications of Japan, 1938-1945

Under the code name MAGIC, the United States produced summaries and transcripts of intercepted and deciphered messages between the Japanese Foreign Office and its key personnel and allies throughout the world, from 1938 to 1945. From Tokyo, Berlin, Moscow, Rome, Hanoi, Nanking, Madrid, and elsewhere, the diplomatic messages were read daily by American officials.

Printed indexes for this microfilm can be found on top of the cabinets in Room 212. The one in hardcover contains a subject index with references to reel and frame numbers. It also contains several introductory essays that give a history of modern American military communications intelligence.
OSS/Department of State Research Reports

The OSS (Office of Strategic Services, forerunner of the CIA) and the State Department commissioned the leading scholars in international affairs and in a variety of area studies to write special, top-secret reports during World War II and the Cold War. These reports formed the factual basis of U.S. foreign policy decisions. Most of the reports are detailed historical and political monographs.

The collection is divided into fourteen parts, representing different geographic areas. A printed guide exists for each area; these are found in a container on top of the cabinets in Room 212. Each guide contains a listing of all the reports in the part it represents, as well as a subject index to that part. The numbers in the left margin, next to the title listings, indicate where on the reel a report may be found. On the microfilm, each report is preceded by a large numeral, which match those in the guidebooks. There are no listings for individual frames within reports.

Administrative Histories of World War II Civilian Agencies of the Federal Government

This microfilm set is comprised of histories, compiled by the Federal Government about its agencies' activities during the Second World War. Agencies include Agriculture, Labor, Budget, Civilian Production Commission, Office of Price Administration, and Selective Service. There is a printed reel guide and an author list. (Z6207.W8.R45 DOCS) The best approach to the use of the collection would be through the examination of the activities of a specific agency. There is an author card filed in the main card catalog.

OTHER MICROFILM COLLECTIONS IN THE DOCUMENTS COLLECTION

The Recueil de Traite's... of Gregory Friedrich von Martens, editor. A microfiche copy of an historic text listing the principal treaties among the European
powers. The initial volumes were supplemented to provide coverage from 1761-1929. This set has been superseded by the publication of the Consolidated Treaty Series (JX120 .P35 CIRC).

The British and Foreign State Papers, published by the Foreign Office of Great Britain, is a serial publication similar to the U.S. Department of State's Foreign Relations of the U.S. It contains treaties, correspondence about foreign affairs, and many documents of historical interest and importance. Contained within the microfiche copy is an index to each volume. The set also contains four general indexes to the sequences of volumes, 1-63, 65-92, 94-114, and 116-137. USMA owns volumes 1-138 on microfiche. Material is covered from 1812 to 1934.

CIA Research Reports. Europe, 1946-1976

The research reports of the CIA are useful, contemporary documents for the study of the major nations and areas of the world. This collection, dealing with Europe, compiled from a wide range of sources, provides material for research in many aspects of area studies as well as in U.S. foreign policy toward both allies and adversaries.

Through its research reports, the CIA examines important developments in area domestic politics, economic matters, and foreign relations so that the President and his advisers can have accurate information on which to base strategic decisions.

Some of the topics covered include: the political situation in post-war France, West Germany, Britain, and Italy; Gaullist developments in France in the early sixties; and defense and economic concerns in Britain in the mid-sixties.

A table of contents in the accompanying index lists what countries are covered on each of the four reels; the reel index lists the reports by year, also giving titles. Frame numbers on which reports begin are listed to the left; the frame numbers are visible on the microfilm above the image.
Crisis in Panama and the Dominican Republic: National Security Files and NSC Histories 1963-1969

The National Security files on Panama and the Dominican Republic, along with the special NSC histories on the outbreaks of violence in these two nations in the mid-1960s, provide primary information answering many questions concerning President Johnson's response to two of the earliest crises of his administration. Some of the documents in the collection include: executive memoranda, State Department telegrams, intelligence summaries, press releases, congressional committee reports, and Panamanian government documents.

Access is provided by the printed 21-page booklet, A Guide to Crises in Panama and the Dominican Republic, located in a container on top of the cabinets in Room 212. Each frame in the collection is numbered in sequence, with a new sequence beginning on each reel. In the printed guide, the documents are listed next to the frame number on which they begin.

Europe and NATO: Special Studies 1970-1980

This collection consists of 120 studies produced by public and private researchers, usually under contract to executive departments, concerning political, military, and strategic developments in Europe and NATO in the 1970s. These studies deal with such topics as Euro-communism, conventional warfare in Europe, the NATO defense posture, as well as politico-military developments among neutral/nonaligned and Warsaw Pact nations.

A printed guide of the same title, found on top of the cabinets in Room 212, provides access to the contents of this collection. Arranged chronologically within geographical and political areas, entries for each study include the frame numbers on which they begin, as well as descriptive abstracts. On the microfilm, frame numbers are displayed on the top center, above the image. The printed guide has a useful subject index included in the back.
The National Security Files on Israel that are reproduced in this collection include thousands of pages of reports and correspondence from a significant period in the evolution of Israel's relations with both her Arab neighbors and the United States. There is a wide range of documents: regular and special messages from American diplomatic personnel in Tel Aviv, minutes of meetings of the U.S. ambassador with Israeli Prime Minister Levi Eshkol and Foreign Minister Abba Eban, background studies by the CIA and the NSC, and briefings for President Johnson.

Access to the documents in the collection is provided by a nineteen page booklet entitled A Guide to Israel: National Security Files (1963-1969), found in a container on top of the gray cabinets in Room 212. Each frame of microfilm is numbered on the bottom sequentially; new sequences begin on each reel. The frame numbers on which new documents begin are listed in the left margin of the printed guide.

The Manhattan Project: Official History and Documents

This collection contains a massive array of material about the Manhattan Project and the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki; none of it was declassified until 1976. Foremost among the files is the official history of the project, commissioned by Major General Leslie R. Groves, who was in charge of the project from 1942 through 1946.

The twenty-one page printed A Guide to the Manhattan Project: Official History and Documents, located on top of the metal cabinets in Room 212, is indispensable in locating the information within the twelve reels.

Most of the original order of books, volume, section and pagination of the Manhattan Engineer District History has been retained. The Official History was divided into eight books, with the first book discussing general and organizational characteristics of the Manhattan Project. The seven succeeding books discussed the
various sub-projects of the effort, such as Book III: the P-9 Project, which researched heavy water, or Book V: Electromagnetic Project, which worked on separating uranium 235. For security reasons, certain information of a technical nature has been suppressed throughout. These books are further divided by sections and chapters. Appendixes contain maps, charts, original documents, and photographs.

The printed guide, mentioned above, resembles a table of contents. The contents of the Official History are listed underneath the twelve reel number headings, which appear in bold print. Each reel has been divided into parts, which are listed in the left margin in parentheses. These part numbers indicate where on the reel the information listed in the table of contents may be found. On the reels themselves, each numbered part is indicated by a large white on black arabic numeral.

The printed guide has no name or subject index.

Minutes and Documents of the Cabinet Meetings of President Johnson (1963-1969)

A documentary record of the Johnson years, the collection contains nearly 20,000 pages of minutes of cabinet meetings, official cabinet reports, memoranda to the President, information passed to the cabinet by the President, and special briefings by the Departments of State and Defense, the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the CIA, and others. They collectively form an authoritative record of the key events of the Johnson Presidency: the Civil Rights Act, the Voting Rights Act, the establishment of Medicare, as well as the contemporary race riots, political violence, and the War in Vietnam.

All of the documents in the collection are arranged in a roughly chronological order. Access is provided by the printed guide bearing the same title located on top of the filing cabinets in Room 212. In the printed guide, the frame number on which a document begins is indicated in the left margin. On the microfilm, frame numbers are faintly visible in the bottom center, below the image. The printed guide has no subject index.
The many complex issues concerning the nuclear arms race have been the subjects of a wide range of special studies by elite groups of both private and governmental organizations, commonly known as think tanks. This seventeen reel collection contains 150 such special studies.

Access to this sizeable body of work is provided by the printed guide bearing the same title, which can be found on top of the file cabinets in Room 212. All of these reports, theses, papers and studies have been arranged chronologically from 1968 to 1981. On the microfilm, each frame has been numbered sequentially in small arabic numerals which can be found in the center top of the screen. A new frame number sequence begins with each successive reel. In the printed guide, the number of the frame on which a new work begins is listed in the left margin next to the title.

The printed guide facilitates use of this collection with the inclusion of an abstract for each study, as well as a subject index in the back.

Records of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Part I: 1942-1945; Part II: 1946-1953

As the principal group of military advisors to the President of the United States, the Joint Chiefs of Staff is the most important body of military leaders in the world. From its formation in January 1942, the Joint Chiefs of Staff has been given key responsibilities in setting the tone for the conduct of American foreign policy, from World War II, to the Cold War, through attempts at detente.

Part I, 1942-1945, focuses upon World War II. The operational histories of the campaigns of the war contain enormous amounts of records on logistics, strategic deployment, military planning, assault procedures, in-
telligence information and official reports. Also published are the Basic Strategic Plans for War, which formed the foundation of Allied military actions.

Part 2, 1946-53, focuses on the military and diplomatic crises of the postwar era. The records for this period provide exhaustive coverage of Soviet strategy, the Chinese Revolution, the Arab-Israeli problem, the formation of NATO, the beginnings of the nuclear arms race, and the Korean War.

The entire collection is divided into thirteen thematic sections, with a separate printed guide for each. These are located on top of the filing cabinets in Room 212. Every guide has frame numbers listed in the left margin next to each listed document. On the microfilm, frame numbers are faintly visible on the viewing screen at the top of the image. A new sequence of frame numbers begins with every reel. Most of the guides have subject indexes in the back.

War Department. Reports to Congress from the Secretary of War, 1803-70

This microfilm reproduces 11 bound volumes of reports of the Secretary of War to Congress for the period from February 3, 1803, to December 20, 1870. The volumes contain copies of letters and accompanying reports to members of Congress in response to congressional resolutions and inquiries.

The letters and reports relate to the various functions and responsibilities of the Secretary of War, including those delegated to other officers. Among the subjects reported on are: the strength and organization of the Army and the militia, Indian affairs, the granting of pensions, the pay and employment of civilian and military personnel, appropriations, property and damage claims, the construction and opening of military roads and canals, improvements to navigation, surveys for railroad routes, and fortifications for the defense of the country's coasts and frontiers.

Manuscript indexes to each volume contained on each reel are reproduced at the front of each volume.
The War In Vietnam: Classified Histories by the National Security Council

To cover the major developments in Vietnam from 1964 through 1968, the National Security Council compiled a series of histories based upon top-secret documents. The NSC histories offer large amounts of material from the upper levels of the Executive Branch, including such items as: White House Situation Room reports; special reports to the President from Cabinet officers; daily, weekly, and special reports from General Westmoreland; studies by the CIA; recommendations of the Joint Chiefs of Staff; and meetings and communications of the President with Vietnamese leaders. All of the events during the period from the Gulf of Tonkin incidents of 1964 to President Johnson's 1968 speech announcing a partial cessation of the bombing of South Vietnam are well detailed.

The collection is thematically/chronologically divided into five sections: The Gulf of Tonkin, The Buildup of American Forces, the Honolulu Conference of late 1966, the Manila conference, and the events leading up to President Johnson's speech of 1968.

Access is provided by the printed A Guide to the War in Vietnam which is located on top of the metal cabinets in Room 212. All documents in the collection are listed in tabular form. Each frame on the microfilm is numbered in small, faint arabic numerals that will appear in the lower right of the screen of the microfilm reader. The number of the frame on which each new document begins is printed in the left margin of the guide. Other numbers that occasionally occur along side the frame numbers in the left hand column are tab numbers, which simply refer to blank separating pages in the original documents; they can safely be ignored.

The arrangement of this microfilm collection may cause confusion. The microfilm containers are all numbered sequentially, one through eight. However, in the printed guide, the reels are re-sequenced within the thematic/chronological divisions alluded to above. For example, Reel 1 of the section Manila Conference really refers to Reel 5 of the entire War in Vietnam collection.
Documents of the National Security Council, 1947-1977

This is a microfilm compilation of factual and analytical memoranda produced for use by the NSC. These 10-50 page reports are useful for insight into Executive Department decision-making as well as for foreign policy information. A separately published reel-guide and index is available.

Major Studies and Issue Briefs of the Congressional Research Service

The Congressional Research Service is a branch of the Library of Congress and is charged with providing informational support to Congress. This microfilm collection contains their research reports (10-100 pages) covering all subjects in the areas of legislation. They provide summaries of the various topics. Since the Congress is concerned with enacting laws, much of this material summarizes previous laws and legislation on the topic. The set contains a reel guide and subject index, with a yearly supplement. The microfilm collection begins with 1975 and is updated yearly.

U.S. Civilian Conservation Corps

Records of the Civilian Conservation Corps. 4 reels microfilm. General correspondence of the Director, history file minutes, selected reports, and miscellaneous records. This is an unanalyzed file and is without an over-all index. Material is included from 1933 to 1942.

GOVERNMENT PERIODICALS

Many government publications are periodic in nature. Like the backfiles of many of the USMA Library's periodicals and journals, the government's periodical publications are available in microfilm. This would include the "Department of State Bulletin," the "Weekly Compilation of Presidential Documents," the "Survey of Current Business," and "Nuclear Science Abstracts." Government periodicals are interfiled with other microfilm government document publications, alphabetically by title.
All government periodicals received by the USMA Library are listed in the blue-covered Selective Serials List, copies of which are available in many areas of the library. The initials DC in the location column indicate the periodical's presence in the Documents Collection; the notations in the holdings column indicate what issues of the periodical are available on microfilm.

Foreign Broadcast Information Service - FBIS Daily Reports

An agency of the U.S. Government, the Foreign Broadcast Information Service monitors and translates worldwide news and commentary from foreign broadcasts, news agency transmissions, newspapers, and periodicals. The FBIS then publishes this current news in a Daily Report for nine separate foreign areas, which include: the Soviet Union; Asia and the Pacific; Eastern Europe; Sub-Saharan Africa; Latin America; South Asia, Western Europe; the Middle East and North Africa; and the People's Republic of China. Current issues are paper copies but the large backfile is on microfiche.

Indexes exist for some of the material on microfiche. Geared to the separate foreign areas, nothing is covered prior to 1976, and in many cases, 1977. Also, more recent material is not indexed.

The indexes to the Daily Reports are arranged by broad subject categories. Within each category there are more specific subject breakdowns, followed by article titles. These are followed by notations for dates and letter-number citations, which locate the article on the fiche. All the fiche for separate foreign areas are kept together by area, and are chronologically arranged. Thus, the most important things to get from the index citations are dates, to locate the fiche, and the number-letter codes, to find the articles.
The Federal Register

The Federal Register is a publication that makes available to the public regulations and legal notices issued by Federal agencies. These include Presidential proclamations and Executive Orders, Federal agency documents having general applicability and legal effect, documents required to be published by an Act of Congress, and other Federal agency documents of public interest. Established by an Act of Congress in 1935, the first issue came out in March, 1936.

A daily publication (with the exception of weekends and holidays), the pagination of the Federal Register is continuous from the first to last issues of the year. A new volume begins with each year. Indexes come out monthly, and cumulate with each month. Thus, the December index is also an annual index. The indexes simply list page numbers next to relevant sub-headings of topical headings.

The USMA Library has the Federal Register in printed hardcopy form from the present back to January 4, 1982. There are printed monthly indexes for the current year and printed annual indexes back to 1966. Also, there is a publication entitled Federal Register Thesaurus of Indexing Terms which lists all of the authorized, related, and unused subject terms of the Federal Register indexes; it is an aid in searching. These are located along the north wall of the Documents Room.

The library also has the Federal Register on microfiche from January 3, 1978 to the present, although it lags somewhat behind the printed version in currency. Each microfiche contains one daily issue of the Federal Register, with the date and pagination eye-legible on the header at the top. They are chronologically arranged; monthly and annual indexes are also reproduced. These microfiche are located in drawers 5 through 7 of cabinet No. 5 of Room 212, just outside the Documents Room.

The rest of the Federal Register is present on reels of microfilm, from March, 1936 to December, 1977. They are
located in Cabinet No. 10, drawers 6 through 9, in Room 212. Also chronologically arranged, volume numbers are indicated on the labels of each microfilm container; annual indexes are reproduced at the beginning of the microfilm reels, before each volume.

U.S. Congressional Committee Hearings

To assess legislation, congressional committees having jurisdiction over certain areas hold public hearings to gather information and opinions. The opinions of experts from the academic and political worlds are sought; many prepare extremely valuable and well-documented presentations from uniquely informed perspectives.

Most hearings publications contain the full transcripts of the hearings proceedings. They include the record of oral statements, committee questions, and discussion. They also contain texts of related reports, statistical analyses, correspondence, exhibits, and articles presented to the committee by witnesses or inserted into the record by committee members and staff.

The USMA Library has the House and Senate Committee Hearings on microfiche from the 86th Congress (1959-60) to the 91st Congress (1969-70). They are located in one of the microfilm cabinets in Room 212, near the Government Documents Collection.

Access to this collection is provided by the CIS U.S. Congressional Committee Hearings Index, which is located on the shelves along the western wall of the Documents Room. These volumes contain separate name and subject indexes for the Congresses represented on the microfiche, with citations by number of Congress, document accession number and part number. There are also special reference bibliography volumes which list the hearing documents by accession number, and give full information about the hearings: date of hearing, microfiche number the hearing appears on, name of committee, descriptive terms of the subject of the hearing, and names and affiliations of witnesses who testified. This set of indexes can also be used to access the Congressional hearings in hard copy form contained in the Documents.
Collection, as Superintendent of Documents numbers are included in the citations.

United States Statutes at Large

Laws passed during each session of Congress are compiled into these microfilmed volumes. They are arranged chronologically by date of passage. In addition, the volume for each session contains reorganization plans for various Federal agencies; concurrent resolutions; proclamations; guides to legislative histories of public laws; and a subject index, which is reproduced at the very beginning of the reel.
CHAPTER 5

ARCHIVES AND SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

ARCHIVES

The United States Military Academy Archives is located on the fourth floor, USMA Library. The USMA Archives, a branch of the National Archives and Records Service, is the repository for the official records of the U.S. Military Academy. Official cadet and administrative records are located there and available for use by researchers of the Academy's history. Because not all of USMA's official records were retained by the USMA Archives but were transmitted to other agencies, efforts have been made to acquire certain related records in microfilm which were retained in other archival repositories. The microfilm holdings are housed within the USMA Archives and are available for use only within that facility. A reader-printer is available for researchers. Assistance on using the collection is available from the USMA Archivist or Assistant Archivist.

The following is a listing of the microforms in the USMA Archives. All are 35mm microfilm.


An alphabetical compilation of annual reports from 820 federal advisory committees. Summary sheets are included naming committees within agencies, statements of committee status, authority of establishment, committee type, and statements of committee functions. It also has preliminary listings: alphabetical by committee name; alphabetical by agency name, with committees listed within agencies; and committee lists naming management officers and staff contact persons.
Flipper, Henry Ossian. Records relating to the Army Career of Henry Ossian Flipper, 1873-1882. (1 reel, 2 copies)

This collection of records contains Flipper's cadet application file, his military service record, and the record of his general court-martial.

Papers of the United States Military Philosophical Society, 1789-1813.

This collection contains original minutes and records, membership lists, correspondence, and papers written for the society.

Selected Documents relating to Blacks Nominated for Appointment to the U.S. Military Academy during the 19th Century. (21 reels).

This microfilm contains reproductions of documents relating to 27 Blacks nominated for appointment to the U.S. Military Academy during the years 1870-87, apparently the only Blacks nominated during the 19th Century. The documents include nomination and appointment papers, other correspondence, reports of examinations, consolidated weekly reports of class grades and conduct roles, orders, and court-martial case files. Nothing is included pertaining to the military careers of nominees following their graduation from the Academy.

Selected Materials from the Papers of Franklin D. Roosevelt regarding the U.S. Military Academy.

Chiefly correspondence regarding appointments to the U.S. Military Academy while Governor of the State of New York and as President, including materials dealing with Colin Kelly III; also, miscellaneous correspondence dealing with various topics, such as quarrying on Mt. Taurus, and a commencement address given by FDR.


This microfilm contains various application papers of cadets for appointment to the U.S. Military Academy, 1805-66. The papers include: Letters from applicants requesting appointment, letters of recommendation, notifications from the War Department if the candidate was appointed, and letters of acceptance from the candidates.
U.S. Adjutant General. Index to General Correspondence of the Adjutant General's Office, 1890-1917.

Record copies of letters sent by officers of the Corps of Engineers relating to the affairs of the Academy. Most of the letters are addressed to the Superintendent of the Academy, the Secretary of War, members of Congress, applicants for appointment to the Academy, and persons who had recommended the applicants or had inquired concerning vacancies at the Academy.

U.S. General Accounting Office. Records of the Second Auditors Report and Account Number 647-1817. A selection of vouchers, abstracts, current statements and letters concerning books and supplies for USMA, including band instruments, for the years 1816-1818.
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The microform holdings of the USMA Special Collections Division are analogous to its holdings of rare or historical materials in books, manuscripts, documents, or personal papers. The microfilm holdings serve to augment these holdings so a researcher may find most of the primary source materials within the Division. A reader-printer is available.

Many of the collections have guides or calendars which describe their contents. These may be filmed as part of the collection, and found directly on the microfilm, or they may be printed and published separately. The printed guides are located in the Special Collections Division Office. Special Collections staff will provide assistance. The Division is open Mon-Fri, 8-4:30. The microfilm is located outside the secured area and is accessible during all hours that the library is open.

The following listing will indicate the diversity and nature of the Special Collections holdings. The collection's strengths are in the history of the U.S. Army, the American Revolution, and local history.

One asterisk indicates that a guide for the collection exists on the microfilm; two asterisks indicate that a printed guide is available. The numeral preceding the colon indicates the number of the cabinet containing the microfilm; the number following the colon indicates the drawer, starting from the top.

Kept while in camp at Valley Forge, White Plains, Fredericksburgh, Chester, West Point, Totoway, New Windsor, Milton, Philipsburgh, Boston, and at Ipswich, where he retired.

Chiefly letters from members of Congress, various Revolutionary officers, and political figures in New York and New Jersey. Most concern the procurement of supplies, munitions, and recruits, intelligences on enemy maneuvers, and the disposition of troops under Alexander's command.
2:6 Amen, Jacob. Papers of Brigadier General Jacob Amen, 1804-1895.

Delineates the characters of the leaders of the American Rebellion including Livingston, Franklin, Laurens, Adams, Hancock, Jay, Duer, Duane, Wilson, Pulaski, Witherspoon, Reed, McKean, Washington, Robe-
deau, Robert Morris, Gouvernor Morris, Chase, etc.

2:6 Armstrong Family Papers. 1762-1814.
Chiefly papers from the headquarters of the Northern Department, 1777-79. Includes returns and muster roles, court-martial proceedings, and routine correspondence with various officers in the commissary department. Also material relating to the younger Armstrong's membership in a fraternal organization, "the worshipful Society of the Starkites," and personal and family correspondence.


2:7 Banister, Seth. Returns, 3rd co., 4th Mass. (see Shepard)

2:6 Barr, John. Journal, June 1779-Jan 1781. (see Glen)

Correspondence of Revolutionary War and post-war periods, including letters from military bases and head-
quarters in New Jersey, New York, and Pennsylvania from General Knox and Colonel Lamb.

2:6 Beers, Nathan Deacon. Journal, Connecticut Regi-
ment, 1777-1782.
Account of the Connecticut Regiment's movements from West Point through the Rhode Island expedition and into winter quarters at Morristown, NJ, its participation in the Springfield raid, June, 1780, and its operations along the Hudson River and in Connecticut during the next two years. Includes accounts of the regiment's expenses for supplies and rations.
Orderly book found among the papers of Major Simeon Belding, deputy-quarter-master general, U.S.A., during the War of the Revolution.

2:6 Bliss, William S. Papers, 1833-1835. (see Kendrick, Henry L.)

*2:9 Diary of John G. Bourke
This microfilm collection reproduces the diaries of General John G. Bourke (USMA 1869). General Bourke is famous for his participation in the western Indian campaigns of the 1870's and his later anthropological writings. The diaries, spanning the years between 1872 and 1890, give a description of military dealings with northern plains Indians as well as the Apaches of the Southwest. Native customs and cultures are detailed. The original collection consists of newspaper clippings and 126 bound volumes.
The first several frames of the first reel reproduce lists that enumerate and physically describe the contents of the diaries.


**2:8 Buell, Herbert L. Historical documents relating to the Corps of Engineers, 1801-1819. (3 reels)
These documents contain information concerning the assignments, promotions, and resignations of the officers; reports of progress in the construction of fortifications and other engineering projects; and related information.

Consists chiefly of a typescript of Mrs. Burt's autobiographical account, "An Army Wife's Forty Years in the Service, 1862-1902," and letters to her daughter, Edith Burt, discussing family matters and describing daily routines of western military post life. Also describes relations with the Indians, social events, and meeting with prominent figures such as Mark Twain and Owen Wister.

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*1:1 Carleton, Guy. Papers. 1777-1783 (28 reels)

Contains Sir Guy Carleton's correspondence as commander-in-chief of British forces in America during 1782-83, as well as letters sent and received by earlier commanders; also, letters of George Washington with military information regarding the New York campaign; letters from General Cornwallis concerning the battle of Yorktown; regimental payrolls, accounts, and orderly books; and letters from American and British generals and statesmen.

2:7 Churchill, Winston S. See Roosevelt, Franklin D.


General, brigade and regimental orders for the 9th Massachusetts Regiment, issued at Middlebrook, NJ, Fishkill, New Windsor, Peekskill, and West Point, New York, and Danbury, Hartford, Newtown, Waterbury, and Woodbury, Connecticut, kept by Caleb Clapp, adjutant. Also includes results of courts martial, troop dispatches, regulations, and returns.


Correspondence, chiefly transcripts and drafts of New York Governor George Clinton and of his brother, James Clinton, officer in the Continental Army and public official. Includes a 1779 orderly book of James Clinton containing orders given during the expedition against the Iroquois and various commissions, land grants, and resolves.

2:6 Clinton, Henry. Papers (extracts), 1778-82.

Extracts from the Clinton papers and maps in the William L. Clements Library at the University of Michigan, concerning the history of West Point and vicinity.

2:6 Clinton, James. (see Clinton, George)
The papers are mainly letters, with some inclosures, received by the President of the Provincial Congress from various New York state and local officials. The letters are concerned mainly with the coordination of activities between the Continental Congress and the State government and the conflict of interests that developed, 1775-1783, and with the settlement of postwar problems, 1783-1788.

Diary account of his experiences in the infantry. Cowdry recorded soldier executions, the Arnold affair and the number of hours and days of guard duty at Camp Orangetown, New York and other places in the Hudson Highlands.

Deming, Julius. Accounts, 1778-1780.
Primarily Deming's commissary accounts with Connecticut, Rhode Island, and New York drovers and butchers for the delivery of stock to various camps during the period June 1778-April 1780.

Edmiston, Robert. Journal of a tour to and in North America, June 1844-Jan 1845.

Eliason, William A. (West Point 1817 in the Stephan Collins & Sons. Misc. 1)

Ellis, James A. Textbooks, 1832-35. (in Ellis and Allen Co. Papers)
Textbooks, some with annotations, used by James A. Ellis at the U.S. Military Academy.

Feinstein, Sol (see Sol Feinstein)

Accounts, letters, receipts, orders, personnel and supply lists concerning the supply of troops stationed in New York and New Jersey, 1777-83.
Various orderly books for Continental Army regiments and state militias, U.S. Legion of the 1790's, and incomplete manuscript by Samuel Penhallow entitled "History of the Wars of New England with the Eastern Indians Continued." (1726).


Also: Rapport fait au ministre de la guerre, 5 Fevrier 1817.
Asks permission for Col. McRee and Major Thayer to visit French military schools and fortifications.

Twenty-two handwritten manuscripts by various French authorities on tactics, etc.

*2:8 Franklin, Charles H. History of the Phillipines Scouts 1899-1934. (see U.S. National Archives; Nisperios).

**1:1 Gates, Horatio. Papers, 1726-1828. (20 reels)
Includes incoming and outgoing correspondence of Gates with prominent figures of the Revolution; orderly books detailing the daily mechanics of the war; and financial materials, covering the problems of financing the Revolution as well as Gates' personal finances.
General Orders and Circulars of the War Department and Headquarters of the Army, 1809-1860

The eight reels of this microfilm reproduce the general orders and circulars of the War Department and Headquarters of the Army, from 1809 to 1860.

Concerning a wide variety of matters, the general orders were used for the following purposes: the publishing of pertinent laws, treaties, Presidential proclamations, and Army regulations, directing military movements, including the assignments of units to their stations; establishing and garrisoning military posts and constructing military roads; announcing officers' appointments, promotions, duty assignments, resignations, commendations, and deaths; and, in general, to prescribe policies and procedures as needed in such matters as military discipline and instruction, Indian relations, recordkeeping practices, and the recruitment of troops.

Journal kept on a march from Morristown, NJ to North Windsor, NY.
Although Gibbs knew and recorded the major movements of the American, French, and British forces during this period, his descriptions contain little detail. Interleaved in a Continental Pocket Almanac.

Letters written by Glen while serving as deputy quartermaster at Schenectady, NY, concerning the acquisition and distribution of supplies and provisions. The letters are addressed to militia and Continental officers stationed along the Hudson River and in forts along New York's western frontier.


Halsey: Blooming Grove, Orange County, NY, followed the main American Army to Yorktown, VA, in 1781 and returned to Newburgh in November. The accounts pertain to the delivery of horses to various quartermaster officials, Sept. 1780-Apr. 1782.


Hand's correspondence while he was commandant at Fort Pitt, chiefly with subordinate Continental officers, frontier militia officers, and political figures in Virginia and Pennsylvania concerning military affairs on the western frontier: skirmishes with the Indians, troop dispositions, supplies, the activities of British agents among the Indians, and efforts to establish contact with Spanish officials in Louisiana.

2:7 Harris, William Hamilton, USMA 1861. Letters as a cadet, 1857-1861. (see Mahan, Dennis Hart)


*1:1 Heath, William. Papers, 1774-1814. (31 reels)

Letters and documents chiefly concerning military affairs in the Eastern Department. Correspondence is primarily between Heath and various Continental and militia officers in New York and New England; political figures in Massachusetts, Connecticut, and New York; members of Congress; and Generals Washington and Burgoyne. Major topics include the siege of Boston, the defense of New York City, and the supply and disposition of troops under Heath's command in the New York highlands.
   Includes a journal kept while a cadet at USMA, Jan. 1, 1825 to July 22, 1826.

2:6 Hughes, Hugh. Papers, 1768-1804.
   Four letterbooks, mar. 1781-Dec. 1782, primarily containing Hughes' official correspondence as deputy quartermaster for New York, concerning the acquisition and distribution of military provisions and supplies.

2:7 Humphreys, Andrew A. Selected papers. (see Poinsett, Joel)


   Muster rolls and returns of troops under Jackson's command, some of which show dates listed, rank, length of service, age, size, hair color, complexion, trade, state, and place of birth.

2:6 Keiser, Henry. Diary while member of Co. G., 95 & 96 PA Volunteers, 1861-1865.
   1st Sgt. Keiser's diary records 1,847 miles of travel and 1,397 days in the service from Sept. 23, 1861 to July 17, 1865. Includes a muster roll of G Co., a list of battles and skirmishes with casualties, and a list of clothing drawn from the government.


Contains order for several brigades to be drawn up in parade, to hear a reading of the Declaration of Independence. Furnishes internal evidence that Kinnan was in General Heard’s brigade and in Colonel Ephraim Martin’s regiment.

**1:2,3 Knox, Henry. Papers, 1719-1825. (55 reels)
Documents from the prewar period include Knox’s business correspondence as proprietor of the Condon Book-Store. His wartime papers contain numerous letters from Continental officers, members of Congress, State officials, and friends, along with sundry bills, receipts, ledgers, maps, military returns, and muster rolls. Postwar letters and documents, including the official correspondence of the U.S. Secretary of War, concern western lands, land speculation, military pensions and accounts, Shay’s Rebellion, Indian affairs, and frontier garrisons.

2:6 Lamb, John. Papers, 1762-1794. (3 reels)
Deeds and other land records of John Lamb, Revolutionary officer and Collector of the Port of New York, showing interests in various counties of the state, with survey and location maps of the properties.

2:6 Lawrence, Jonathan. Diaries & Transcripts, May 27, 1777-May 1778. (see Griffing, Elizabeth)

1:6 Lee Family. Papers, 1740-1795. (8 reels)
Personal, diplomatic, political, and commercial accounts, records, and correspondence.

*2:6,7 MacArthur, Douglas, Declassified transcripts, Senate hearings, Apr. 30-Aug. 17, 1951. (8 reels)
Declassified transcripts of the hearings held in joint session by the Armed Services Committee and the Foreign Relations Committee from April 30, 1951 to August 17, 1951, on the military situation in the Far East and on the dismissal of General Douglas MacArthur from his command in that area.

2:9 General Douglas MacArthur Scrapbooks

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2:7 Mahan, Dennis Hart. Letters, 1826-1864. (4 reels).
   Includes letters written from Paris, 1826-1830; letters pertaining to his authorship of articles for Army and Navy Journals; also unrelated letter telling of discussion with W. Stanton in Washington concerning military conditions, and urging creation of office of Chief of Staff.

2:9 Manhattan Engineer District Correspondence, top secret, kept by Leslie R. Groves.

   Part of an official history commissioned by General Leslie R. Groves, who was in charge of the Manhattan Project in the early 40's.

2:7 Manuscript Journal of Burgoyne's expedition and the Campaign in Canada under Sir Guy Carleton in 1776, by a British officer.
   Compiled by an unknown British officer in 1776-1777.

2:7 Martin, John H. Journal as a cadet, 1838-1841. (see Poinsett, Joel)


**Massachusetts. Militia. Personnel Returns of the 6th Mass. Battalion 1779-1780 and returns and accounts of Military Stores for the 8th and 9th Massachusetts Regiments. 1779-1782.**

Contains two volumes. The first includes weekly, inspection, field, and descriptive returns providing such information as: number and rank of personnel present for duty; number dead, deserted, and discharged; and number sick or taken prisoner. The second includes accounts of arms and ammunition, and military accoutrements.


Includes letterbook and diary, 1835-1868; notes on field fortification, 1835-1836.


In 1775, General Montgomery, owing to the illness of General Philip Schuyler, was in immediate command of the expedition against Canada. He advanced with his army as far as Quebec and was killed in the attack on that city, Dec. 31, 1775.


Orderly book kept by Mooers as adjutant, 2d Canadian Regiment. Contains general, division, brigade, and regimental orders issued at Orangetown and West Point, NY, relating in part to Benedict Arnold's attempted surrender of West Point to the British, the capture and execution of Major John Andre, and routine military matters.


Small receipt book of Mott's, who was quartermaster of Colonel Weisenfel's 4th New York Regiment, with entries dated at Fishkill and Saratoga, NY, Sept.-Nov. 1781.

The entire span of American history from Colonial times to WW I is represented, with particular emphasis on material related to the Revolution. Virtually every prominent figure of the Revolutionary period is to be found in the collection, including bound account books, journals and letter books of Washington; letters of Franklin, Jefferson, Adams, Hamilton and Madison; and orderly books of British and French participants. Later materials include letters, books, and autographs of American authors and artists. There is also a large collection of broadsides.


Primarily orderly books of the Continental Army during the Revolution, but scope also includes some British orderly books, as well as ones from the French and Indian Wars and the War of 1812. Accounts of military life recorded by unit clerks. Daily entries recorded such things as: the day's password and countersign, pertinent daily orders, official memoranda, orders concerning court-martials and their sentences, details on the provisioning of troops, directives on the control of civilians, and admonishments on the conduct proper for soldiers.


Primary source materials for New York State's legislative, administrative, and judicial beginnings and early developments. Six main classes of material are included: legislative records, statutory laws, constitutional records, administrative records, executive records, and court records. Coverage for each class usually begins with the earliest records available. The legislative records form the largest category of materials, including journals, debates, reports, hearings, and papers.
2:7 8th Massachusetts Regiment. June 1-Aug. 9, 1780.
8th Massachusetts Regiment. May 30-July 19, 1782.
Capt. Sterns, July 28-Sept. 27, 1780.
Francis Tufts, Dec. 9, 1782-Jan. 5, 1783.
Orderly Book, Sept. 13, 1779-Jan. 31, 1780 (all on one reel).

A group of orderly books written in the West Point - Newburgh area in the early 1780's.

3:9 Orientalia Microfilm. (39 reels).
This collection reproduces materials from the Chiang-hsi Soviet captured by the Nationalist troops under Ch'en Ch'eng's command during the Chinese anti-communist campaigns of the early 1930's.

It consists of twenty-one reels of microfilm. The USMA Library's Orientalia card catalog, located on the fourth floor, contains only the author and title entries.

Chiefly correspondence concerning land speculation in the Ohio Valley, 1785-89. Written while Parsons was Indian commissioner of the Northwest Territory and later, as promoter and director of the Ohio Company. Includes a 1778 letter from Parsons to loyalist William Walter regarding possibilities for peace and an Israel Putnam letter in the disposition of troops in New York.

Principally letters received by Partridge, predecessor of Sylvanus Thayer, from students and their parents relating to educational matters at West Point. Also letters and documents concerning military activities of the War of 1812; administrative matters at West Point; the dispute between Sylvanus Thayer and Partridge over control of the U.S. Military Academy; Partridge's court martial; and rolls of students.

2:7 Pemberton, John C. Family papers, 1829-1837.
Includes cadet letters.
**1:2,3 Pickering, Timothy. Papers, 1758-1829. (69 reels).

The first 62 reels contain incoming and outgoing correspondence of Timothy Pickering, early American politician, Secretary of War, and officer in the Continental Army. The rest contain business and legal papers, and annotated newspaper clippings.

2:7 Poinsett, Joel. Papers, 1832-1849.


Materials and letters concerning supplies, shipment of recruits, hiring of ox teams, clothing supply, and military operations, particularly in the New York theater; written while Commissioner of clothing accounts and deputy quartermaster general for Connecticut.

2:9 Prop Wash 1944-46.

Bray November 1919-May 20, 1920.

2:9 Prop Wash 1942-43.


Letters documenting various stages of Putnam's career: commander of defense positions around Boston and New York City during the Revolution; service under General Gates against Burgoyne; award of rank of Brigadier General by Congress in 1783; one of the organizers of the Ohio Company of Associates; founder of Marietta, Ohio in 1788.


* Records of the Constitutional Convention of 1787.

This microfilm collection contains: journals of proceedings of the Convention; voting records of delegates; reports out of committee, including the Virginia Plan and an annotated first printed draft of the Constitution; correspondence; population estimates; delegates credentials; and Elbridge Gerry's motion concerning the mode of electing the "supreme executive."

The eight reels of microfilm in this collection reproduce seventeen volumes, or registers, of the records of the proceedings of the U.S. Army general courts-martial, from 1809-1890.

Until 1827, each entry contains the following information: a file designation, the name of the soldier tried; his rank and unit; the month, year, and location of the trial; the name of the president of the court; the name of the judge advocate prosecuting the case; and the sentence imposed by the court. The entries for cases from 1828 until 1890 contain all of the above information except for the omission of the sentence imposed by the court.

Consists of accounts kept by Robert Mundell acting in behalf of Henry Riddell after the latter fled Maryland in 1776. Mundell was chiefly concerned with settling Riddell's outstanding accounts and collecting rents from tenants in various localities in Maryland.

Manuscript treatise on the organization of the Prussian Army before 1776, written in 1778 when Riedesel was a prisoner at Cambridge, Mass. Included are descriptions of battle tactics and plans of Frederick the Great, with specific reference to important campaigns of the Seven Years' War, as well as organizational charts, and sketches of battle formations.
The messages between Franklin Roosevelt and Winston Churchill provide an important source for the study of top level decision making during World War II. The messages document the personal friendship and professional relationship of the two men, their agreements and differences on wartime strategy and diplomacy, and, to some extent, the thinking of those in the British and American governments who advised the two leaders.

Four different groups of messages, some originally retained by the British Government and others by the Franklin D. Roosevelt Library, have been arranged both chronologically and by a special numbering system. Arrangement and access to this collection are explained more fully in the introduction at the beginning of the reel.

Roys, Rufus. Diaries 1844-1850. (see Griffing, Elizabeth).
Five diaries recording cadet life.

Diaries, orderly books, and correspondence of Sargent: Army officer, surveyor, first Secretary of the Northwest Territory, and Governor of Mississippi Territory. Plus an unpublished doctoral dissertation on Sargent.

Orderly book kept on Schuyler's Canadian Expedition during the Revolution.

Brief journal kept by a Maine farmer, soldier and aide-de-camp to General William Heath at Newburgh, NY, during the disbanding of the Army and the peace celebrations.
**1:4 Shafter, William R. Papers, 1862-1938. (7 reels).**

Correspondence, military papers, and other items pertaining to General Shafter's post-Civil War campaigns against Indians and Mexican bandits and against the Spanish in 1898. Included are: personal and official correspondence, military papers (orders, reports, rosters, etc.), broadsides, maps, cartoons, photographs, miscellaneous printed material, and newspaper clippings.


*1:5 Sherman, William T. Family Papers, 1808-1891. (15 reels).**

Family, professional, and political correspondence; diaries; and drafts for military reports, articles and speeches of General Sherman; his wife, Ellen Ewing Sherman; and his father, Charles R. Sherman. Also includes papers of General Thomas Ewing; Sherman family financial papers, papers relating to property, and miscellaneous legal documents.

**1:4,5 Sherman, William T. Papers, 1820-1896. (51 reels).**

Correspondence, journal kept in California during Mexican War, manuscript drafts of portions of his memoirs (1875), documents, printer matter, newspaper clippings, scrapbooks, maps, photographs, and memorabilia, chiefly 1848-1891, relating to Sherman's pre-Civil War career, service during the Civil War, and post-war service.
Contains a roll of the men in Captain Smith's company of the 13th Massachusetts Regiment, 1781, and the clothing accounts for the company, 1780-83. The volume was later used as a docket book, from 1787-93, after Smith returned home to New Marlborough, MA and became a justice of the peace. It contains a list of marriages performed during that time.

Early 17th Century maps of the coastlines of Virginia and New England; several portraits; depictions of Captain Smith's adventures among the Indians, and depictions of settlements and forts.


2:7 Stafford, Major John.
The 201 files of Major Stafford's military records extend from 1876 to his retirement on Mar. 15, 1900. Service included Indian Wars with Co. K, 1st Cav., and both quartermaster and recruiting duties with the 8th Infantry. Among the records are 1881 exams for an officer's commission and efficiency reports.
First-hand accounts of Stimson's various concerns as Secretary of War during WW II: mobilization of resources for war, military matters, technological advances and strategic planning, victory in Europe, the Manhattan Project and the Japanese surrender. Also material about his earlier career as Secretary of State during the Hoover administration, service as Governor General in the Philippines in the twenties, his training in the General Staff College, and prior experiences as United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York.


Contains Colonel Tidball's memoirs of his experiences as a West Point cadet, subsequent career as an officer during the Civil War, and service as General Sherman's aide-de-camp. Also Civil War reports about the Battles of Antietam and Gaines Hill, private correspondence, and manuscripts of his professional writings.

General, division, brigade, and regimental orders: Danbury and Hartford, Connecticut; Middlebrook, New Jersey; Saratoga, White Plains, West Point, and New Windsor, New York. Includes lists of officers and returns of the 2d Massachusetts.

General, brigade, and regimental orders: New York highlands.

Descriptive commentaries from nineteenth century medical histories of U.S. Army posts, containing information about the locality and history of each post; descriptions of the posts; the geology, botany, and zoology of the vicinity; and miscellaneous matters, such as water supply and ethnology.


Various historical information about permanent and temporary U.S. Army posts both within and beyond the continental U.S., as well as entries for Confederate forts, fortified Indian towns, harbor pilot stations, national cemeteries, redoubts and batteries, civilian blockhouses, and British, French, Spanish, and Dutch installations erected within the present boundaries of the U.S. Information provided may include: when and by whom installations were established; geographic locations; origin or derivation of installation names; names of stationed units and their assignments; history, geology and plant life of surrounding areas; aspects of the descent of legal titles; and construction details.


The letters reproduced in this collection were received from officers and enlisted men of the Army, the Secretary of War, the President, officials of other government departments, members of Congress, private persons, and business firms. The letters deal with the appointment, recruitment, transfer, pay, promotion, leave, discharge, and other personnel actions affecting officers and enlisted men of the Army; orders, regulations, and other issuances of the War Department; Indian affairs; military organizations; military installations; and many other subjects.

The letters reproduced in this collection deal with: recruiting; the detail, transfer, pay, promotion, leave, and discharge of officers and enlisted men; orders, regulations, and other issuances of the War Department; the establishment, maintenance, repair, and abandonment of military posts and reservations; military organizations; Indian affairs; and many other subjects. The letters were sent to officers and enlisted men of the Army, the Secretary of War, the President, officials of other Government departments, Members of Congress, private persons, and business firms.

The Negro in Military Service of the United States 1639-1886. (5 reels).

A history consisting mostly of documents copied from published and unpublished primary sources, relating to: the use of free blacks and slaves as soldiers; the treatment of blacks who sided with the English; the desirability of enlisting all black units; the problems of differentiating free blacks from slaves; the problems of feeding and housing black refugees; the raising of black troops, and sentiments for and against arming blacks; and much more, covering colonial times to the late 19th century.

Papers, Court of inquiry into moral conditions at USMA and conduct of Lt. Shiras, Assistant Professor, 1840.

Biographical Sketches of General Officers in World War II. (3 reels).

An alphabetical listing of general officers of World War II, containing: places and dates of birth, educational background, dates and levels of promotion, service assignments, and awards, medals, and decorations received.

A collection of Army studies, reports, and interviews, including tables, charts, maps and photographs; such topics are investigated as the logistical activities of the U.S. Army in support of U.N. and Republic of Korea forces, the action of Task Force Crombey, and small unit actions.


*2:8 U.S. Army. The Handling of Prisoners of War...

A history of the handling of prisoners of war during the Korean conflict. The problems of administration and security matters are mostly dealt with; some attention is given to the matters of logistical employment and utilization of prisoners of war, as well as education and inculcation of an understanding of democracy.

**2:8 U.S. Army. Letters, orders of pay, accounts, receipts and other supply records concerning weapons and military stores, 1776-1801.

This collection reproduces: a volume containing copies of letters sent and orders for pay, a ledger of military stores for the main army in the field, a ledger of military stores received and delivered; a receipt book of Samuel Hodgson, and 15 miscellaneous record items that concern procurement, production, issuing, and control of arms, munitions, and related military stores.


A digest of important facts concerning the GI divisions assigned to the European Theatre. Reproduced are: command and staff rosters, composition of divisions, attachments and detachments, assignments and detachments to higher units, command post locations and pertinent statistics. Other information includes: nicknames, significance of shoulder sleeve insignia, and mottoes of each division; unit arrival dates in the European Theatre; casualty lists; totals of prisoners taken; and awards and decorations.

3:6 U.S. Census. 1790. 1790 Census for Orange County. (Reel 1).

3:6 U.S. Census. 1800. 1800 Census for Orange County. (Reel 21).

3:6 U.S. Census. 1810. 1810 Census for Orange County. (Reel 29).

3:6 U.S. Census. 1820. 1820 Census for Oswego, Putnam, St. Lawrence, Saratoga and Tioga Counties. (Reel 79).

3:6 U.S. Census. 1820. 1820 Census for Orange County. (Reel 64).

3:6 U.S. Census. 1830. 1830 Census for Orange County. (Reel 113).

3:6 U.S. Census. 1830. 1830 Census for Putnam, Rockland and Suffolk Counties. (Reel 103).

**3:6 U.S. Census. 1840. 1840 Census for Orange County. (Reel 322 - 3 parts).

3:6 U.S. Census. 1840. 1840 Census for Putnam County. (Reel 324).

3:6 U.S. Census. 1850. 1850 Census for Orange County. (Reel 573 - 4 parts).

3:6 U.S. Census. 1850. 1850 Census for Putnam County. (Reel 581).

3:6 U.S. Census. 1860. 1860 Census for Orange County. (Reel 833 - 4 parts).


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3:6 U.S. Census. 1870. 1870 Census for the City of Newburgh. (Reel 1069).

3:6 U.S. Census. 1870. 1870 Census for Orange County (excluding City of Newburgh). (Reels 1067-8, 1070 part).

3:6 U.S. Census. 1870. 1870 Census for Putnam County. (Reel 1077).

3:6 U.S. Census. 1880. 1880 Census for Orange County. (Reels 910, 911, 912).

3:6 U.S. Census. 1880. 1880 Census for Putnam and Queens (part) Counties. (Reel 917).

3:6 U.S. Census. 1890. 1890 11th Census of the U.S. Schedules enumerating Union Veterans and Widows of Union Veterans of the Civil War. (Reels 48 and 49).


**2:1-4 U.S. Continental Congress. Papers, 1774-1789 (204 reels) and miscellaneous on Continental Congress. (9 reels).

This collection reproduces the records of the Continental and Confederation Congresses. Included are: various journals and record books kept by Secretary of Congress Charles Thomson; documents concerning foreign affairs, fiscal affairs, military affairs, naval affairs and the postal system produced by special committees; and related/general records, outstanding examples of which are: engrossed copies of the Declaration of Independence, the Articles of Confederation, the Constitution of the United States, and the Certificates of Ratification of the Constitution.

This collection reproduces early volumes in the records of the Department of State; specifically the "American Letters" file kept by John Jay. These volumes contain record copies of letters which the Department of Foreign Affairs addressed to, or received from, persons within the United States, including private citizens, ministers and consuls of foreign powers, the President and the Secretary of Congress, the heads of executive departments, and the governors of the several states. Subjects of the correspondence include: announcements of Presidential pardons or remissions; forwarding of commissions to Federal officials; requests for information on matters within the province of the Department; and instructions to marshals, attorneys, judges, and collectors of customs.

U.S. Department of State. Foreign Letters of the Continental Congress and the Department of State, 1785-90.

This microfilm collection reproduces a volume containing copies of instructions sent to U.S. ministers and consuls abroad, from 1785 to 1790. The letters include those sent by John Jay, Secretary for Foreign Affairs and later Acting Head of the Department of State, from January 14, 1785 to March 3, 1790; and those of Thomas Jefferson while Secretary of State, from March 30, 1790 to December 23rd of that year.


2:9 U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff. The History of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. (Vols. I-IV) (2 reels).

Reproduces a descriptive history produced by the Joint Chiefs of Staff, military advisors to the President, providing an account of their activities from the close of World War II, to the Korean War and their role in formulating policies during the Cold War.

A JCS history investigating the political conditions in Vietnam in the 1940's and early 1950's, as well as of the early direct U.S. involvement at this time. Also, some brief treatment of nineteenth and early twentieth century developments.


A description of the West Point curriculum as of the early 1950's; also, recommendations and discussion for revisions in the curriculum.


Seventy-two years of USMA graduation exercise programs.

2:8 USMA Headquarters Reports on Cadet Chapel, 1901-1913.

Reports in regard to the construction of new buildings at West Point around the turn of the century, as well as selected documents relating to the construction of the Cadet Chapel, 1901-1913.


2:8 U.S. Military Philosophical Society records, 1789-1813.

Original minutes and records, membership lists, correspondence and papers written for the society.

Endorsements, affidavits, and other papers that preceded the awarding of the Congressional Medal of Honor to Pvt. Jose Nisperos, a Philippine Scout who drove off the enemy after having been gravely wounded from an attack by hostile Moros during the Philippine Insurrection.

*3:8 U.S. Navy. Letters sent by the Secretary of the Navy, 1798-1886.


A reproduction of Commodore George Henry Preble's three volume manuscript. A compilation of the principal events in the history of the Boston Navy Yard at Charlestown, Massachusetts; it is illustrated with numerous photographs and plans.

*3:9 U.S. Navy. Letters received by the Secretary of the Navy: Captains' letters, 1805-61, 1866-85. (20 reels).

The letters reproduced in this collection contain such information as: the reports of shore commandants about the arrival and departure of ships, repairs, and refurbishments of vessels, and disciplinary problems in the Navy yards; reports of captains at sea concerning shipboard discipline; intelligence reports that included maps, plans, charts and drawings; and reports of captains whose vessels were involved in conflicts and hostilities.


A collection of documents obtained from naval officers who accumulated them while in command of squadrons or single vessels, and also from private sources, especially in the case of confederate documents. Most of them concern naval operations and engagements, and are arranged by geographical area, according to their content or origin.

Reproductions of letters from the Secretary of the Navy to naval officers of all ranks until early 1812, reflecting the tremendous control exercised by the Secretary over most naval affairs during this time. Topics include: instructions to commanding officers of squadrons, vessels, and other naval officers of all ranks; replies to reports, many of which are concerned with naval operations, from naval officers, circulars, general orders, and court-martial precepts; and letters relating to the discipline and assignment of officer personnel.

*4:9 U.S. Navy. Letters received by the Secretary of the Navy from Commanders, 1804-86. Reels 1-4 for 1804-1810.

The letters reproduced in this collection are from masters commandant, the rank between captain and lieutenant that preceded the rank of commander (established in 1837); they only commanded vessels with 18 guns or less. Some relate only to the writer, but many are reports of naval actions and activities, such as operations on the Great Lakes. Many of the letters are accompanied by enclosures, such as copies of letters received and sent by the officer, orders or circulars and letters from subordinate officers and foreign officials. Maps, issues of newspapers, and other printed materials are sometimes enclosed.

*4:9 U.S. Navy. Letters received from the Secretary of the Navy from Officers below the rank of Commanders, 1802-84. Reels 1-7 for 1802-June 30, 1810.

Many of the letters reproduced in this collection deal with such routine personnel matters as duty assignments, leave for furloughs, desertions, resignations, general courts-martial, pay and settlement of accounts; or of minor administrative transactions, such as reports of delays in sailing, arrivals in port, and repairs performed on vessels. For the period 1802-7, letters include reports from lieutenants assigned to the command of gunboats and other vessels that were parts of the American fleet in the Mediterranean.

Routine correspondence from private citizens and public figures constitute the overwhelming majority of letters in this collection. Dealing primarily with matters of personal or special interest to their authors, topics include: inquiries from families and friends of enlisted men about their health and whereabouts; seamen's discharge requests; solicitations for midshipmen appointments; inquiries and letters of recommendation from Congressman; draft plans for vessels, ordnance and equipment from investors; manufacturer's samples; and contractors' bid submissions.


Reproduced are: a register of letters received by Alexander Church, Superintendent of the Continental Horse Yard; a return of public property belonging to the Quartermaster General's Department; a ledger of Quartermaster General accounts. Also, miscellaneous record items: letters, returns, payrolls, abstracts, memorandums, accounts, estimates, and lists that relate to supplying quartermaster stores, equipment, and transportation and to providing artificers, carpenters, and other support personnel for the military forces between 1776 and 1783.

*2:9 U.S. Secretary of War. Miscellaneous letters sent 1800-1809. (3 reels).

Prominent among the wide variety of subjects covered: the manufacture, procurement, transportation, and disposition of ordnance and ordnance stores, rations, clothing, and other supplies and equipment. Among other subjects are claims for lands based on military service, the fortification of harbors, the erection of buildings at posts and arsenals, and the activities of the State militia.

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The manuscripts reproduced in this collection consist of about 500 documents that relate primarily to the pay and supply of State militia organizations mustered into Federal service from the close of the American Revolution to the War of 1812. The documents are original records that date from 1784 to 1811, with the exception of a few items either created or copied subsequently.

*2:8 U.S. War Dept. Correspondence relating to Indian affairs, military pensions, and fortifications 1791-1797.

This collection reproduces correspondence of the Secretary of War: to Congress, informing that body of relations between the United States and Indian tribes in various parts of the country; reports to Congress concerning claims for invalid pensions; and miscellaneous documents pertaining to military fortifications, pay, and regulations.

*4:1 U.S. War Dept. Confidential and unofficial letters sent by the Secretary of War 1814-1847. (2 reels).

The letters reproduced in this collection consist of fair copies of communications considered distinct from the normal correspondence of the office. The letters, on a variety of subjects related to the business of the Department of War, were sent to members of Congress, military officers, and private citizens. Many of the letters were written during the War of 1812, the Mexican War, and the periods of difficulties with Spain in the Floridas and with Great Britain along the northern frontier; specific topics include: the threat of a British invasion across the Niagara frontier towards the end of the War of 1812, and secret instructions to Zachary Taylor directing him to open unofficial peace negotiations with Mexican authorities to end the Mexican War.

**2:8 U.S. War Dept. Corps of Engineers. (see Buell).
2:8 U.S. War Dept. History of the Philippine Insurrection against the United States, 1899-1903, and documents relating to the War Dept. project for publishing the history. (9 reels).

*4:1-6 U.S. War Dept. Letters received by the Secretary of War. Main series, 1801-1870. (317 reels).
Letters and enclosures reproduced in this collection were received from officials of subordinate bureaus of the War Department, officials of other executive departments, Army officers and civilian agents in the field, Governors of States and territories, the President, Members of Congress, and private persons. Such topics are covered as: Indian affairs, coastal and frontier defense fortifications, military campaigns, construction of military roads, organization and strength of the Army, the furnishing of subsistence for armies in the field, and Army personnel assignments and activities.

**4:6 U.S. War Dept. Letters received by the Secretary of War. Unregistered series, 1789-1861. (34 reels).
The letters and enclosures in this collection are similar to those in the preceding collection, only for one reason or another not registered. Additional topics covered include military campaigns against the British and the Indians, and the granting of pensions.

**4:1 U.S. War Dept. Letters sent to the President, 1800-1863. (2 reels).
This collection contains seven volumes of record copies of letters sent from the Secretary of War to the President of the United States, relating to such subjects as: operations of the Army, administration of the War Dept., appropriations, military commissions, military posts and establishments, general courts-martial, and annual reports of the Secretary of War.
**3:1-3** U.S. War Dept. Miscellaneous numbered records (the Manuscript File) in the War Dept. Collection Revolutionary War records, 1775-1790's. (125 reels).

This collection reproduces about 35,000 manuscript records, originals and copies, pertaining to Revolutionary War military operations, service of individuals, pay and settlement of accounts, and supplies. Most of the original records date from the late 18th century, but some were created in the 19th, generally in connection with settling accounts and granting pensions to former servicemen and their heirs. Most copies of records were made by the War Department in the 1890's.

**3:3,4** U.S. War Dept. Numbered records books concerning military operations and service, pay and settlement of accounts, and supplies in the War Dept. Collection of Revolutionary War records. (41 reels).

Types of records include: orderly books; oaths of office, allegiance, and fidelity; lists of troops; receipt books; correspondence; records of receipts, disbursements, accounts, returns, issuances, and activities; and records of military stores.


The battle lists reproduced in this collection indicate which Union troops were engaged in particular Civil War operations and often include additional data, such as casualties. However, these battle lists are incomplete compilations and reflect the numerous inaccuracies found in the original and secondary sources from which they were compiled.


This collection reproduces 10 volumes containing minutes, reports, maps, charts, messages, and other documentation of nine Allied military conferences held between 1941 and 1945 primarily to enable the American and British military staffs to coordinate their war plans. These conference volumes also contain summarized transcripts of the proceedings with accompanying reports and exhibits.
*4:6-8 U.S. War Dept. Register of Letters received by the Secretary of War. Main series, 1800-1870. (134 reels).

The contents of this microfilm serve as a finding medium for the collection of letters received by the Secretary of War main series. Searchers using these registers should note name of writer, date of writing, letter of section and entry number, and any special filing notations.


The Revolutionary War rolls reproduced in this microfilm include those of regular units of the Continental Army and of units of militia, volunteers, and others who served with them. Types of documents included: muster rolls, payrolls, strength returns, and other miscellaneous personnel, pay, and supply records of American Army units.

**3:3 U.S. War Dept. Special index to numbered records in War Dept. Collection of Revolutionary War records, 1775-1783. (39 reels).

This microfilm reproduces an alphabetically arranged card index to names of persons that appear in the Numbered Records Books collection, also on microfilm.


2:8 Walker, Robert. 2d Artillery, NY, Orderly Book, July 12, 1777-Nov. 24, 1778.

General, division, brigade, regimental, and company orders: Peekskill, Fredricksburg, and Fort Arnold, NY. Includes several weekly returns for Walker's company, 1777 and the arrangement of officers in the 2d Artillery Regiment, 1778.

Some of the types of papers included are: Washington's school copybooks; diaries; notes and records of surveys and land entries; copies of correspondence (personal, political, and military); financial papers; orderly books and military records; applications for office during Washington's administration; and certificates of Washington's degrees and honors.

Wayne, Anthony. General Orders, 1792-1797.

Orderly books of Anthony Wayne during his command against the Indians.


This orderly book was kept at the headquarters of Marinus Willett while Lt. Col. in the 3d New York Regiment, commanded by Col. Peter Gansevoort. It contains General Orders, Regimental Orders and Garrison Orders, Parole and Countersign for each day, mention of names of various officers and Court Martial trials. Also contains a precise account of a march from Fort Constitution to Fort Schuyler.

Williams, Jonathan. Selected papers, 1808-1815. (3 reels).

Woodbridge, Theodore. Diary, 1780-1783.

Written while Woodbridge was at Washington's headquarters, the diary contains notes on military life, particularly desertions and dueling in the American Army. Includes comments on the history of Rome, the rise of Christianity, world travel book, beekeeping, and agricultural publications. Also contains information on early meetings and the rules governing the Society of the Cincinnati.
2:9 World War II Newspapers, (front page only), Given by John Davidson. (6 reels).

General, brigade, and regimental orders: West Point and vicinity.

Many of the collections have guides or calendars which describe their contents. These may be filmed as a part of the collection or printed and published separately. The printed guides are located in the Special Collections Division office. Special Collections staff will provide assistance. The Division is open Mon-Fri, 8-4:30. The microfilm is located outside the secured area and is accessible during all hours that the library is open.
Writers of academic dissertations are required, as a part of the degree-granting process, to submit a copy of the dissertation to Xerox University Microfilms, Ann Arbor, Michigan. A listing and abstract of the dissertation is subsequently published in the University Microfilms publication, Dissertation Abstracts (Z1005.U55 REF). Because of the highly specialized nature of the dissertations, individuals who require microfilmed dissertations for their research should order them from University Microfilms at their own expense. The library cannot fund these individual requirements. Having stated the policy, it is appropriate to add that the library does own a number of microfilm copies of dissertations.

The library owns a substantial collection (approx. 250) of dissertations on the works of William Faulkner. The Academy has felt the need to maintain a comprehensive collection on this topic so that cadets may have the experience of working with a research collection as part of their academic education. The dissertation, because of its thorough bibliography and extremely detailed approach to analysis and knowledge, is indispensable for extensive research.

The library also purchases microfilm dissertations on military history and the US Military Academy. Dissertations by faculty may also be purchased on microfilm.

The dissertations on microfilm are located in the Moore Wing on the far right-hand side of the cabinets at the end of the periodical and newspaper sequence. They are arranged alphabetically by author, except for the Faulkner dissertations which are filed as a cluster, alphabetically by author. Access to the dissertations is through the card catalog. Dissertations are given full cataloging, including subject cards. Dissertation Abstracts may also be profitably used, particularly when studying William Faulkner. The user may then examine the abstract before continuing on
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Labatt, Blair Plowman, 1947-

Faulkner the storyteller / Blair Plowman Labatt. -- 1974.

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242 leaves; 28 cm.


Thesis--University of Virginia.


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dissertation collection is reasonably comprehensive,
the researcher may confidently assume that the collec-
tion contains the Faulkner dissertation needed. As an
aside, Dissertation Abstracts is retained in printed
form only for the most recent 5 years; earlier volumes
are on microfilm in the Moore Wing.
CHAPTER 7

MISCELLANEOUS

American Periodical Index to 1850 (Microprint; Moore Wing)

This index was compiled as a Works Progress Administration project of the 1930's. A microprint copy of the cards is available in the Periodical Room. The index is based on a detailed analysis of about 340 American magazines published from 1730 to 1860. All cultural aspects of American life are to be found in the files. It is difficult to use as it was not assembled by experienced indexers. The user must often search different headings for the same subject. There are separate indexes for Prose, Fiction, Poetry, Book Reviews, Songs, and Subjects. The Subject section is strong in names of persons and geographic places.

Les Armies Francaises D'Outre-Mer

This microfilm reproduces military histories of French colonial troops in Africa, the Middle East, and the Far East, covering the early 20th century. The original book was published in 1931; the text is in French.

The five reels of this micropublication are located in the Moore Wing, in the drawer labeled "miscellaneous" near the yellow microfiche viewers.

Before the Military Commission Convened by the Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces, Western Pacific, United States of America vs. Tomoyuki Yamashita

These three reels of microfilm contain transcripts of the 1945 war crimes trial of General Tomoyuki Yamashita, commander of Japanese forces in the Philippines. He was charged with command responsibility for permitting his troops to commit atrocities on Filipino
and American civilians and prisoners of war. The American military commission convicted him, and after unsuccessful appeals to the Philippine and United States Supreme Courts, he was hanged.

The last reel contains photographs presented as exhibits for the prosecution.

The reels can be found in the bottom drawer of the oversized filing cabinet facing the west wall of the Moore Wing, near the yellow microfiche readers.

**Documentary Poster Collection - World War I, World War II**

This collection contains reproductions of posters from the two world wars. The general theme of the posters on the first reel which reproduces posters from WW I, include recruiting, farm and industrial war effort, the Red Cross, propaganda, and bond drives. Some of the themes covered in the second reel, which deals with posters from WW II, are similar; other themes include health and safety, scrap drives, and security.

This is no printed guide or index for this collection. However, at the beginning of both reels there are thematic lists of promotional goals that the posters tried to convey; the posters are arranged on the microfilm in the order in which the goals appear on the lists.

These reels are located in the filing cabinets in the Moore Wing facing the west wall, in the oversized cabinet that stands next to the cabinet that has the last of the alphabetically arranged periodicals. They are in the second drawer from the top, which is labeled "Miscellaneous Historical Documents - World War II."

**The Emigrants; or, the History of an Expatriated Family**

This microfilm is a negative copy of The Emigrants, printed in London in 1793, and now a rare book. A three volume epistolary novel, the scenes
are set in America. The novel was critical of "the present practices of matrimonial engagements," and was written from the point of view of an American observer of English institutions, proposing "to place a mirror to the view of Englishmen, that they may behold the decay of those features which once were so lovely."

This reel can be found in the drawer labeled "miscellaneous" in the microfilm cabinets near the yellow microfiche readers.

**Expedition in North Russia, 1918-1919**

This microfilm reproduces a brief account of the participation of American land forces in the Expedition to North Russia, 1918-19, as well as an outline of the general situation and the American policy in respect to military intervention in Russian affairs at that time. It was written by General Wilds P. Richardson, who was the commander of the American Expeditionary Forces in North Russia.

This single reel is located in the filing cabinet facing the west wall of the Moore Wing near the yellow LAC microfiche readers, in the bottom drawer, which is labeled "miscellaneous."

**Keesing's Contemporary Archives: 1931-1975**

This microfiche collection is a reference tool for information about newsworthy events from 1931 through 1975. A British publication, events are covered from a British point of view. It is a good source for information, detailed articles, maps, obituaries, statistics, lists of speeches, and documents.

The collection is divided into twenty-one separate volumes. While there is no printed index or guide, each volume is preceded by a subject index microfiche, identifiable by the yellow strip at the top. Since 1959-60 (volume XII) each volume also has a name index, which can be identified by the red strip at the top.
All the microfiche bearing the contents of the volumes themselves have green strips at the top, as well as notations stating what pages are present.

Keesings Contemporary Archives is located in drawer 6 of the orange filing cabinet near the west wall of the Moore Wing.

The Microfiche College Catalog Collection (Microfiche; Periodical Room)

College catalogs have long been a difficult item for libraries to collect. Many colleges and universities have begun to charge higher fees for their catalogs, no longer sending them on a complimentary basis. Maintaining an up-to-date collection also took increased amounts of staff time.

A commercial vendor perceived this problem in libraries and made available a microfiche collection of college catalogs. This collection is available in the Periodical Room, USMA Library. There are year-by-year collections; some schools do not always publish a new catalog every year.

To use the collection, consult the printed indexes which accompany the microfiche file. There are indexes by "Name - only" and by "State and name." The indexes provide the year of the collection and the fiche number. Each year of the collection has color-coded fiche and eye-legible headings. More than one college catalog may be on a single fiche.

Military Monographs on Siberia

This microfilm reproduces a military intelligence survey of Siberia written in 1918. It describes such things as strategic routes, cities, available forms of transportation, climate, resources and contemporary military emplacements. The report includes drawings, maps and photographs of the region.

It is located in the bottom drawer of the oversized filing cabinet, facing the west wall of the Moore Wing near the yellow microfiche readers.
The microfiche collection is a selection from the Oral History Collection of Columbia University. The collection consists of typed transcripts of extensive taped interviews with many eminent Americans from a variety of fields. Most of the transcripts are autobiographical, covering a wide variety of subject categories, such as: the Arts, Education, Labor, New Deal, Civil Rights and Women Pioneers. The rest of them concern special projects, covering specific subjects such as the post-war occupation of Japan or the career of former New York Governor Herbert H. Lehman.

The oral history fiche are located in drawer 6 of the orange file cabinets near the west wall of the Moore Wing.

Access is provided by the book entitled The Oral History Collection of Columbia University (Z1361.C6.C64 1979) located in the first floor stacks. The names of all the individuals who have been interviewed are listed alphabetically, along with 117 cross-referenced topical subject headings. Since the microfiche are only a selection, not everyone listed in the book is represented in the USMA collection. The USMA Library only has microfiche for those individuals whose citations in the book end with the phrases "micro I" or "micro II."


This microfiche collection contains 183 interviews of relatives and others who knew former President Richard M. Nixon during his pre-political years in Orange County, California, from about 1918 through 1945. Much information is included concerning his parents and his ancestry, the nature of the rural communities of his youth, his Quaker religion, his relationships with family and friends, and his conduct as a young lawyer.
The Richard M. Nixon Oral History microfiche are located in the sixth drawer of the orange file cabinets near the west wall of the Moore Wing.

The collection is divided into nine titled sections, with the section title appearing at the top of each fiche:

1. Nixon Family History (including Nixon's earliest years)
2. Nixon in Grade School
3. Nixon in High School
4. Whittier College Years (general)
5. Whittier College Years (football, the Orthogonian Society)
6. Nixon Family Life in Whittier
7. Early Political Activity
8. Nixon and Quakerism
9. Pat Nixon

At present, the USMA Library has no printed index or guide to this collection.

The Scopes Case

This microfilm reel contains the transcript of the famous 1925 "monkey trial" of John T. Scopes. A high school biology teacher, Scopes was tried for violating a Tennessee penal statute that forbade the teaching of evolutionary theory. Clarence Darrow, the foremost criminal lawyer of the day, served as counsel for the defense; William Jennings Bryan, orator, fundamentalist and political leader, worked with the prosecution.

The publicity given this trial was influential in curbing drives in other states for similar statutes.

The reel for The Scopes Case can be found in the bottom drawer of the large filing cabinet facing the west wall of the Moore Wing, near the yellow microfiche readers.
U.S. Library of Congress Name Authority. (Microfiche; Technical Services Division)

This is a microfiche publication which is of primary use to professional librarians. It is used to verify the correct form of personal or corporate name used by the Library of Congress.

Wesley, John 1703-1791. Whitefield, George, 1714-1770.

Bibliographies

This microfilm reproduces all the entries in the National Union Catalog for writings by the early methodist divines John Wesley and George Whitefield. Wesley is famous as the founder of Methodism; Whitefield was responsible for spreading Methodism beliefs in the American colonies.

It is located in the drawer labeled "miscellaneous" at the end of the row of microfilm cabinets farthest to the right as you enter the Moore Wing.

William Butler Yeats

The USMA Library has a microfilm section of poems, stories and plays by the Irish poet William Butler Yeats. Dating from the 1890's and early 1900's, they represent an early phase of his work.

Also included are some bibliographies made by reproducing catalog cards about Yeats from several different libraries, as well as an early printed bibliography.

Access to this collection is provided by cards stamped "microfilm" in purple ink in the entries for "Yeats, William Butler" in the main catalog.

The microfilms are mostly negatives; many are not wound on reels, but are just tightly rolled up. They are located in the drawer marked "miscellaneous" at the end of the far right bank of cabinets as the Moore Wing is entered.
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