

**HENRY S. WEIGEL FAMILY LETTERS**

Mss. 3012

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**SUMMARY**

<b>Size.</b>	1.5 linear feet
<b>Geographic locations.</b>	Amite, Louisiana; Europe
<b>Inclusive dates.</b>	1942-1944
<b>Language.</b>	English
<b>Summary.</b>	Letters written between Capt. Henry S. Weigel and his family during his tour of duty in World War II. Letters mention happenings on the war front and news from Amite, Louisiana. Also included are photographs of Henry and his wife, Merle Weigel.
<b>Organization.</b>	Arranged chronologically.
<b>Restrictions on access.</b>	None.
<b>Related collections.</b>	None.
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**BIOGRAPHICAL/HISTORICAL NOTE**

A native of Amite City, Tangipahoa Parish, La., Henry S. Weigel was an officer in the infantry corps of the U.S. Army during World War II.

**SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE**

Correspondence between Henry Weigel, an officer in the U.S. Army in World War II, and his wife, Merle Elizabeth Morrison Weigel, a resident of Amite City, La. Henry Weigel's letters describe the basic military training he received in Indiantown Gap, Pa.; wartime service in England, including conditions in military camps, relations with British military personnel and civilians, and travel throughout England; the progress of the war in Europe and Africa; and the Allied invasion of France in 1944. Merle Weigel's letters are largely concerned with civilian life in Amite City, rationing, wartime civilian service activities, social life, and the rearing of the Weigels' two children. The collection also includes a scattering of letters from other family members serving in the military during World War II and letters from the Weigels' sons to their father.

**INDEX TERMS**

Americans--Great Britain.  
Amite City (La.)--History--20th century.  
Amite City (La.)--Social life and customs--20th century.  
Basic training (Military education)--Pennsylvania--Indiantown Gap Military Reservation.  
Child care--Louisiana--Amite City.  
Children of military personnel--Louisiana--Amite City.  
Great Britain--Armed Forces--Officers.  
Great Britain--Description and travel.  
Indiantown Gap Military Reservation (Pa.)  
Letters (correspondence)  
Military camps--Great Britain.  
Military spouses--Louisiana--Amite City.  
Rationing--Louisiana--Amite City.  
Soldiers--Louisiana--Amite City.  
United States. Army--Military life.  
Weigel, Henry S.  
Weigel, Merle Elizabeth Morrison.  
Weigel family.  
World War, 1939-1945--Great Britain--Personal narratives, American.

**CONTAINER LIST**

<u>Stack Location</u>	<u>Box</u>	<u>Folder(s)</u>	<u>Contents (with dates)</u>
5:26	1	1-48	Letters (June 1942-September 1943)
	2	1-21	Letters and Photographs (October 1943-November 1944, undated)