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**A.E. MARTIN  
CIVILIAN DEFENSE MATERIALS, 1941–1942**

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## **COLLECTION INFORMATION**

VOLUME OF  
COLLECTION: 1 half size manuscript box, 1 OM folder, 1 artifact

COLLECTION  
DATES: 1941–42

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## **HISTORICAL SKETCH**

The materials in this collection belonged to A.E. Martin, who was the manager at the Indianapolis Athletic Club (IAC), and was responsible for organizing the civilian defense teams at the IAC.

The Indianapolis Athletic Club focused on athletics, most notably swimming, with the result that they sent several swimmers to the Olympics. The club operated from 1924 until 2004.

The threat of bombing during World War II prompted the national and local governments to prepare their citizens by creating handbooks and booklets, as well as appointing air raid wardens to deal with the possibility of air raids.

Sources:

Materials in collection

Milz, Mary. "New life for the Indianapolis Athletic Club." WTHR 13.

<http://www.wthr.com/story/3901004/new-life-for-the-indianapolis-athletic-club>.

Indianapolis Athletic Club history, <http://www.iaclofts.com/history/>.

## **SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE**

All of the items in the collection deal with civilian defense. Many of the items are national in scope, such as the safety handbooks and booklets created by the United States government. Indianapolis items include newspaper articles, A.E. Martin's notes, I.A.C. notes, and publications for citizens.

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A.E. Martin's notes, 1942.

I.A.C. notes, 1942.

Letter from A.E. Martin to C.L. Sumner, 1942.

Publications for citizens, ca. 1941–42.

Newspaper articles, 1941–42.

Suggested regulations for retail stores, ca. 1941.

Fire defense organization booklet, ca. 1941–42.

Protection against gas booklet, 1941.

Chemical warfare agents reference and training chart, 1941.

War traffic control booklet, ca. 1941.

Air raid wardens' handbooks, 1941.

Auxiliary firemen handbook, 1942.

Decontamination squads' handbook, 1941.

Fire watchers' handbook, 1942.

First aid handbook, 1942.

Messenger handbook, 1942.

Road repair crews' handbook, 1941.

Artifact: I.A.C. [Indianapolis Athletic Club] Floor  
Warden armband, ca. 1941–42.

### CONTAINER

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