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HISTORICAL SKETCH

As the fiftieth anniversary of World War II approached, Indiana Historical Society solicited accounts by Hoosiers of their memories of that conflict. The project began at the Society's spring conference in 1990, with a session led by Society Editor Douglas Clanin and by Wayne Sanford, publisher of World War II Publications. At the urging of former war correspondent Janes E. Farmer, the Society, through various media, asked Hoosiers to submit their recorded memories of the war. Over three hundred responses were received. These accounts were organized by editorial assistant Megan L. McKee. In the fall of 1991, an entire issue of the Society's magazine, *Traces of Indiana and Midwestern History*, edited by J. Kent Calder, was devoted to publishing some of the accounts. This collection contains both the published and unpublished accounts, as well as photocopied background material.

Sources: Material in collection.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

This collection, filling eight manuscript boxes, five oversize folders, and one bound volume, contains letters, written accounts, photographs, bound volumes, official papers, and clippings, from the period 1941–91. It is arranged alphabetically by participant.

The accounts vary from one-page summaries and single paragraphs to voluminous accounts. In the box and folder listing which follows, the area and type of service are briefly noted. There is also an index by area and type. For accounts taking place in the United States, civilian accounts are marked "home front," and service in uniform is marked "USA."

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