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SC 2710

JAMES L. SLACK FAMILY PAPERS, 1912–42

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

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NOTES:

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

James L. Slack (ca. 1900–25) from Nineveh (Johnson County), Indiana, served with the 53rd Artillery during World War I, 1917–19. He attained the rank of corporal before his discharge.

Sources:

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SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The bulk of the collection consists of twenty-one letters from James L. Slack with Battery E and L, 53rd Artillery CAC to his mother, Mary E. Slack, in Nineveh, Indiana, 1917–19. Slack writes from Camp Stewart (Virginia), Fort Caswell, (North Carolina), and France. Presumably because of censorship, they contain very little information of substance other than they are going to defeat the enemy, he was well, and that he would say more when he sees her again.

There also are several letters to other family members written in the 1920s including those to William Brown, Mary Slack's grandson, who was living with her in Nineveh at the time from parents and relatives in Franklin, Fowler and Logansport, Indiana. Other items of interest include a letter written by Mary Slack to James in San Jose, California, in August 1924 in which she said she had included the \$100 as he requested. This letter was returned with an address-unknown stamp on the envelope. There is also a letter to Mary from a granddaughter in April 1927 containing a memorial for James L. Slack who had died two years earlier.

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