

Clapp, Joyce B. papers

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Summary Information

Repository:	Friends of Wood Memorial Library and Museum
Creator:	Clapp, Joyce B.
Title:	Joyce B. Clapp papers
ID:	1992.09
Date [inclusive]:	1944-1945
Physical Description:	.26 Linear Feet
Language of the Material:	English .
Abstract:	The Joyce B. Clapp papers contain a series of letters published in <i>The Vermonter</i> magazine from February through July 1945. These letters were written while she was on duty with the United States Army Nurse Corp in France during World War II to family members from October 1944 to May 1945.

Preferred Citation

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Biographical Note

Lieutenant Joyce B. Clapp served in the United States Army Nurse Corps in France during World War II. Joyce Clapp was an East Windsor Hill (a section of South Windsor, CT) native. Her letters indicate that she may have been employed as a nurse at Colt's Factory in Hartford prior to the war, and that she grew up on a farm in East Windsor Hill. She also mentions the Hartford Circus Fire and there is reference that she rendered aid to two children, later referred to as Jane and Marty.

With regards to her family she mentions Thanksgiving at Grandma Barber's (potentially then her maternal grandmother), and writes letters to or mentions family members by the names of

Meg (Margaret), Alice (a sister), Terry Charles (a cousin) and Clara. She also mentions Talcott, Charles and Edna but it is not clear what her relationship is to them.

Also of note is that she was treated by a dentist from Rutland, VT by the name of Captain Coolidge.

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Scope and Contents

This collection contains a series of letters published in The Vermonter magazine from February through July 1945. They were written by Lieutenant Joyce B. Clapp of the United States Army Nurse Corps while on duty in France during World War II. The letters were written to family members from October 1944 to May 1945 and provide information of some of her daily and social activities, her female army co-workers, and her thoughts and feelings about the war and France.

Joyce Clapp was an East Windsor Hill native. Her letters indicate that she may have been employed as a nurse at the Colt factory in Hartford prior to the war.

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Arrangement

Arranged chronologically.

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Publication Statement

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Immediate Source of Acquisition

Gift of Mrs. Dudley Clapp, mother of Lt. Joyce B. Clapp

Processing Information

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Controlled Access Headings

- Hartford Circus Fire, Hartford, Conn., 1944
- Operation Neptune
- World War, 1939-1945
- Barber family
- Clapp, Terry
- Clapp family
- United States. Army Nurse Corps
- Colt Manufacturing Company

Collection Inventory

The Vermonter

Photocopy of magazine cover and Joyce Clapp's letters

Title/Description	Instances	
1945 Feb, 1944 Oct 14-Nov 20 letters	box 1	folder 1
1945 Mar, 1944 Dec 5-13 letters	box 1	folder 2
1945 Apr, 1944 Dec 19-1945 Jan 21 letters	box 1	folder 3
1945 May, 1945 Jan 22-Mar 26 letters	box 1	folder 4
1945 Jun, 1945 Apr 2-18 letters	box 1	folder 5
1945 Jul, 1945 Apr 19-May 22 letters	box 1	folder 6

Original entire magazine

Title/Description	Instances	
1945 Feb	box 1	folder 7
1945 Mar	box 1	folder 8
1945 Apr	box 1	folder 9
1945 May	box 1	folder 10
1945 Jun	box 1	folder 11
1945 Jul	box 1	folder 12

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