Guide to the C. L. Marquette World War II Correspondence, 1944-1945

Overview of the Collection

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Title: C. L. Marquette World War II Correspondence
Dates: 1944-1945
Quantity: 0.2 linear feet (1 archives box)
Location of Collection: A10/1d
Languages: Collection materials are in English.
Summary: Correspondence addressed to Professor C. L. Marquette by five friends and former students serving in World War II.

Biographical / Historical Note

C. L. (Clare Leslie) Marquette was born January 1, 1904. He received his Bachelor’s Degree from Milton College in Milton Wisconsin in 1928. He taught history at various Wisconsin high schools from 1928-1936. He received his M.A. and Ph.D. from the University of Wisconsin in 1937 and 1940 respectively. In 1937, he married Lena Mitchell.

Marquette’s post-secondary teaching career began at Northland College in Ashland, Wisconsin, where he taught from 1940-1946. He served as Professor of
American History at the University of Mississippi from 1946-1972. In the late 1940s through 1960, Marquette returned to Wisconsin during the summer to teach at Eau Claire State Teachers College / Wisconsin State College, Eau Claire. Marquette died on June 4, 2004.

Marquette’s primary correspondent, Roy Oppegard, studied history at the Eau Claire State Teachers College in the 1930s and taught in the Eau Claire schools.

Content Description

The collection consists of correspondence to Marquette from five friends, some of whom were former students: Bill Dormady, George Easen, Philip Fuller, Merlin Matthews, and Roy Oppegard. The correspondence from Roy Oppegard comprises the bulk of the collection and provides information about Oppegard’s reading and scholarly interests while in the service, his plans for further education, and his impressions of Italy, where he was stationed.

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information:

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Alphabetical, then chronological.
Subjects

Personal Names:

Marquette, C. L. (Clare Leslie), 1904-2004
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Subject Terms:

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