

Moore Family Papers

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Collection Summary

Title: Moore Family Papers

Span Dates: 1942-1998

ID No.: MSS84360

Creator: Moore family

Extent: 400 items; 2 containers; 0.5 linear feet

Language: Collection material in English

Repository: Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Abstract: Georgia family. Chiefly correspondence between Sidney Leighton Moore (1906-1953) and his wife, Violet Soderquist Moore, reflecting his service with the United States Army during World War II, including also writings, notes, military papers, genealogy, civilian and military manuals, war ration books, and photographs.

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

Personal Names

Moore family.

Moore, Adrienne Harp, 1879-1964.

Moore, Sidney Leighton, 1906-1953--Correspondence.

Moore, Violet Soderquist, 1908-1992--Correspondence.

Simms, Kristina, 1936-

Soderquist, Earl, 1906-1964.

Soderquist, Oscar Emanuel, 1877-1970.

Soderquist, Wallace, 1924-

Subjects

World War, 1939-1945--Campaigns--Guam.

World War, 1939-1945--Georgia.

World War, 1939-1945--Hawaii.

World War, 1939-1945--Michigan.

Locations

Fort Custer (Mich.)--History.

Montezuma (Ga.)--History.

Administrative Information

Provenance:

The papers of the Moore family were given to the Library of Congress by Kristina Moore Simms in 1998.

Processing History:

The papers of the Moore family were arranged and described in 1999. The finding aid was revised in 2009.

Copyright Status:

The status of copyright in the unpublished writings of Moore family is governed by the Copyright Law of the United States (Title 17, U.S.C.).

Access and Restrictions:

The papers of the Moore family are open to research. Researchers are advised to contact the Manuscript Reading Room prior to visiting. Many collections are stored off-site and advance notice is needed to retrieve these items for research use.

Preferred Citation:

Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: Container number, Moore Family Papers, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Scope and Content Note

The papers of the Moore family span the years 1942-1998 and consist of correspondence, writings, civilian and military manuals, war ration books, photographs, military papers, notes, and a genealogy. The correspondence was written mainly between Sidney Leighton Moore (1906-1953) and his wife, Violet Soderquist Moore, while Sidney was serving in the United States Army during World War II, first at Fort Custer in Michigan, and later in Hawaii and Guam. Moore wrote to his wife about army life while she wrote to him about their children, relatives, and home life in Montezuma, Georgia. Other members of the family whose correspondence is represented include Sidney Moore's mother, Adrienne Harp Moore, and Violet Moore's brothers, Earl Soderquist and Wallace Soderquist, who were also serving in the military. The papers also contain a transcription of the letters between Sidney and Violet edited by their daughter, Kristina Simms. Other works by Simms include poetry and *Reminiscences of Oscar Soderquist, 1887-1967*, published in 1995. The collection also includes a genealogy of the Harp family and a reminiscence written circa 1961 by Adrienne Harp Moore recalling plantation life in River Junction, Florida, and Macon County, Georgia.

Arrangement of the Papers

This collection is arranged alphabetically by title, type of material, or person.

Container List

<i>Container</i>	<i>Contents</i>
BOX 1	"Adventures of Soldat von Snafeuhrer," poster to instruct servicemen in the German language, 1944
BOX 1	Correspondence
BOX 1	Letters, 1943-1945, undated (6 folders)
BOX 1	Notes, undated
BOX 2	Manuals, civilian and military, 1942-1943
BOX 2	Military papers of Sidney Leighton Moore (1906-1953), 1942-1944
BOX 2	Miscellany, 1982, undated
BOX 2	Moore, Adrienne Harp
BOX 2	Genealogy, 1998
BOX 2	"Reminiscence," circa 1961
BOX 2	Photographs, undated
BOX 2	Simms, Kristina
BOX 2	Poetry, circa 1994
BOX 2	<i>Reminiscences of Oscar Soderquist, 1887-1967, 1995</i>
BOX 2	<i>Wartime Correspondence of Sidney L. Moore, Sr., December, 1943 to July, 1945, undated</i>
BOX 2	War ration books, 1942