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## Guide to MS305 Eva Spencer Osterberg papers

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Span Dates, 1942-1988

1 foot 8 1/2 inches (linear)

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## Biography

Eva Spencer Osterberg (January 31, 1921 – July 30, 2002) was a WAC (Women's Army Corp) during WWII and secretary to General S. L. A. Marshall. She was also a published writer and historian for the ETO (European Theater of Operations). Osterberg wrote about her experiences in Great Britain, France (Normandy), Switzerland, and Germany. She was a prolific writer and was published in several magazines. She received an award for her historical work by the United States and received a medal for her bravery. She passed away on July 30, 2002 at age 81.

[Source: Eva Spencer Osterberg papers; ancestry.com, accessed March 4, 2020.]

## Series Description or Arrangement

Papers left in order found by archivist.

## Scope and Content Notes

The Eva Spencer Osterberg papers date 1942 – 1988. Types of records include correspondence (primarily about her WWII experiences), photographs, publications, and a scrapbook. The papers also contain her enlistment documents for the U.S. Army as a WAC. The papers help document Osterberg's military service and activities during WWII.

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## **Notes to the Researcher**

See also:

S.L.A. Marshall papers, MS186.

## Container List

Box #	Folder #	Title	Date
1	1	Letter from Wilson	1944
1	2	Manuscripts, letters, military documents	1942-1944
1	3	Newspaper clippings and land receipts	1944-1945
1	4	Journalistic achievements, journal entries and poetry	1944
1	5	Enlistment in WAC	1943
1	6	Service in England	1944
1	7	July 1944 in Normandy	July 1944
1	8	Theater of Operations letters to parents	August 1944
1	9	Time in Paris, journal entries, newspaper clippings	September 1944
1	10	Letters to family in South Dakota	October 1944
1	11	GI Sketchbook	November 1944
1	12	Combat experience	December 1944
1	13	Published letters in <i>Faith Independent</i> and <i>Faith Gazette</i>	January 1945
1	14	"A Night Club in Montamarte" Come Zee- Come Zaa photo journal	January 1945
1	15	Letters to Faith Independent	February 1945
1	16	Letters written in March & April	March-April 1945
1	17	Fountainbleau Trip	May 1945
1	18	Medal of Honor Letter	August-October 1945
1	19	Patch for Historians in ETO	December 1945
1	20	Currency exchange receipt	1946
1	21	Photograph Book from Switzerland	1946
1	22	Post-war letters to Marshall	1946
1	23	Newspapers and Letters in Laconia	1946
1	24	Published Manuscript in <i>Our Army</i> and <i>Our Airforce Magazine</i>	1948
1	25	John Westover letters	1975
1	26	William Ganoe letters	1945
1	27	William Knowland letters and newspaper articles	1944
1	30	Articles on George Marshall	1987
1	31	Photographs of Eva Spencer	June 1965
1	32	WWII WAC souvenirs	1942

1	33	German surrender, newspaper	1945
1	34	French magazines "Filles France"	April 1, 1945
1	35	"Yank Army" editorials & Nazi artifacts	1945
1	36	Colonel Marshall memoir & military patches	July 29, 1988
2	-	Scrapbook	1942-1988