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005 Department of State
006 Delaware Public Archives
140 Delaware in World War II Photograph Collection
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210 1961
220 1938-1945
240 4.4 cubic feet
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261 Governor Walter W. Bacon authorized the Public Archives Commission to collect historical materials that would document Delaware's participation in World War II. The photographs obtained document the military bases, servicemen, National Guard activities, and various civilian war efforts.
270 Over 25% of the collection deals with the military bases in the state: Dover Air Force Base (photographs to 1961), New Castle Army Air Base, Fort DuPont, Fort Miles, and Edgemore Coast Guard Base. These photos include views of facilities, portraits, the National Guard personnel, prisoners-of-war, recruiting, selective service personnel, servicemen's portraits, and women in the armed forces.

Civilian war activities are depicted by photographs of the war loan drives; Victory Gardens and farming; civilian defense; industry and labor; rationing; salvage drives; Red Cross, USO, and other service organizations; and celebrations of the war's end.

The collection includes the negative files of the News-Journal Company for the years 1938-43. This portion deals with everyday Delaware life, especially in Wilmington, and includes non-war related subjects typical of a local newspaper files: portraits, buildings, politics and government, sports, organizations, and events of the period such as the Swedish Tercentenary and the crash of St. Georges Bridge.

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330 The collection is divided into three subgroups and arranged by subject: Military Home Front; Civilian Home Front; and Delaware Life, 1938-43. Prints and negatives, although filed separately, are numbered No. 1 through 3298.

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No index.

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Digital copies on DPA website.

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Good condition with acid damage.

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Folder list; unpublished description in Research Room.

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March 16, 1989; February 2, 1993; December 22, 2004; July 14, 2015;

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