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Guide to the

WILBUR PRICE O'BRIEN COLLECTION

Accession # 8708
PRELIMINARY INVENTORY

THE WILBUR BRICE O'BRiEN COLLECTION, Acc. #8708-84-08-06

Donor: Mrs. Sharon F. Sykes
Inventory Date: August 26, 1985
Number of Containers: 1
Type of Containers: Record Storage Box
Linear Feet: 1
Location: 15th St.
Subject: WH
Date Received: July 6, 1984 and August 16, 1984
Restrictions: None
Inventoried by: Jean Henderson

Box 1:

Biographical Information, 1936-1954 and 1963
Includes educational and professional certificates, military records and certificates:
2 folders.

Correspondence, July 22, 1944 - July, 1945
Primarily letters from W. B. O'Brien written from P. O. W. Camp to his wife. Others, a few, from family and friends after W. B. O'Brien returned home from war safely. WWII camp was Stalag Luft I, Barth, Germany. Some are censored.
1 folder.

Diary, April, 1945 - May 12, 1945
Handwritten to wife about P. O. W. life - W. B. O'Brien's story of Stalag Luft I, Barth, Germany - end of WWII. (Photocopy - original returned to donor)

Also a small notebook of original notes - dates and comments by W. B. O'Brien on missions flown as WWII pilot. Original handwritten notes in spiral notebook. Dates are from May 7 thru June 14, 1944.
(Box 1, Cont.)

Manuscripts, 1978
Written by W. B. O'Brien. All mechanically reproduced; 2 copies of each:
"The Dirty Thirties", 1933-1936. Concerning childhood years on farm in
South Dakota until joining the CCC briefly and moving to
Washington, D. C.
Letter to daughter - untitled. Concerning life during WWII, 1943-1945,
years as a pilot; then P. O. W. at Stalag Luft I, Barth, Germany.
Letter to daughter - untitled. Concerning pre-war and post-war
recollections. Secretarial school and law school in Washington, D.
C., family life and marriages, and N. C. A. career as secretary

Manuscript, 1944-1978
Written by W. B. O'Brien. All mechanically reproduced. Untitled. Concerning
 corporate memorandums, reports and other data primarily on coal and atomic
 energy; also other forms of energy. Includes "The Book (including an untyped
 portion) & appendices". The career of W. B. O'Brien as N. C. A. counselor.
1945-1978.
"The Atom and I" thru "Appendix A thru I" (includes duplicate pages); 5
folders.

Manuscript Fragmentation, n. d.
Handwritten notes from the N. C. A. career events. 7 pages.

Newspapers, Newspaper and Magazine Clippings, 1944 and 1945
Concerning P. O. W. camps - map and article on P. O. W. camp, Stalag Luft I,
Barth, Germany.
2 items.