

A Guide to
Historical Holdings
in the
Dwight D. Eisenhower Library

PRISONERS OF WAR (POWs)
AND
PERSONNEL MISSING IN ACTION (MIAs)

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Introduction

The Eisenhower Library's holdings span portions of four major periods of international conflict: World War II, the Korean War, the Cold War era, and the Vietnam War. All of these conflicts involved military actions resulting in military and civilian personnel being captured and held prisoner with some individuals listed as missing and unaccounted for. Three of these wars are obvious choices for coverage in a guide such as this one. The Cold War era in the 1950s, however, if the Korean War is excluded, did not involve major air, land and sea battles generating large numbers of casualties. Instead, this period was characterized by intelligence gathering operations conducted in a veil of strict secrecy. Nevertheless, military personnel, aircraft, vessels and equipment were used and military actions occurred. These resulted in the confirmed capture or death of some personnel but also the disappearance without confirmation of the fate of others.

The largest quantities of documentation covered by this guide pertain to World War II and the Korean War. Only a tiny quantity of materials in our holdings has been identified as pertaining to POW/MIAs during the Vietnam War period from 1959 to 1975. The most widely scattered and also the most heavily security-classified materials are those pertaining to Cold War reconnaissance operations.

Because the Papers of Dwight Eisenhower and those of his military associates primarily document United States military operations, much of the material covered in this guide relates to United States military personnel or the handling of enemy prisoners of war captured by the United States and its allies during World War II and in Korea. Some information on POWs of other nationalities can be found in the Library's holdings. Where feasible, the nationalities are identified in the descriptions.

The Library's holdings contain some materials one might not expect to be here. Found in these collections are such materials as correspondence pertaining to a godparent program for British POWs in German captivity during World War II, a hand drawn map showing the details of a German Luftwaffe POW camp, diaries depicting personal experiences of POWs, interrogation reports, and a small file of correspondence with General Eisenhower in retirement from the mother of a U.S. airman downed in North Vietnam.

Terms such as "brainwashing" and "non-repatriation," "forced confessions" and "psychological exploitation" characterize the significant quantity of material pertaining to the Korean War and its immediate aftermath. A file on the Code of Conduct Program for U.S. military personnel is described here. The World War II documentation includes information on the handling of Russian personnel at the end of the war as well as the treatment of masses of German soldiers captured during the winning of the war in Europe. For the Cold War period identifiers for aircraft such as "RB-47," "C-130" and "U-2" are associated with incidents resulting in the loss of American military personnel.

Each descriptive entry contains information on the type of documentation and on access limitations, if any. Some POW/MIA information even for the World War II period is still security-classified as is some of the material for the Korean War and certainly for the Cold War activities. Some classified materials are found in microfilm copies of records deposited in the National Archives. These are subject to the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act. Classified documents in Dwight Eisenhower's papers or in papers donated by his military associates or by members of his administration are subject to the mandatory declassification provisions of Executive Order 12356 but are not covered by the Freedom of Information Act.

Items closed in accordance with donors' deeds of gifts may be re-reviewed by the Library staff upon request.

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1. **AURAND, HENRY S.:** Papers, 1873-1967. General Henry S. Aurand commanded the Normandy Base Section in the European Theater of Operations in 1944 and was the last Commanding General, United States Services of Supply, China Theater in 1945. Box 27 contains a file folder entitled "Prisoner of War Memorandums" with 43 pages of statistics and other data on numbers, nationalities and physical conditions of POWs evacuated from China and Southeast Asia at the end of World War II. Nationalities included American, British, Canadian, French, Chinese and many others. Box 21 contains a history of the Normandy Base Section with pages 241-247 devoted to statistical information on German POWs. Box 22 includes progress reports on the Normandy Base Section with statistics on German POWs held at certain periods, numbers hospitalized or on work projects and escapees. Open for research. Preliminary inventory.
2. **BARKER, RAY:** Papers, 1943-45. Major General Ray Barker served as Assistant Chief of Staff in SHAEF, 1944-45 and dealt with prisoner of war matters. Included in his papers is a copy of a report of the Theater Judge Advocate, ETO, U.S. Army and USFET, 1942-46. Approximately 100 pages. Contains section on handling of German POWs plus information on war crimes. Also found in the Barker Papers is a letter from the British War Office expressing appreciation for Barker's work in getting supplies into Germany to British Commonwealth prisoners.
3. **CLARK, MARK W.:** Papers, 1918-66 (microfilm copies of papers deposited at the Citadel, Charleston, South Carolina). Commander in Chief, United Nations Command, Korea, 1952-53. Clark's papers document the Korean War armistice negotiations and contain numerous items concerning POW issues. Among these papers is the text of a May 1954 speech in which Clark expressed his belief that over 3,000 American POWs were being held behind the Iron Curtain following the Korean War. Open for research. Accession registration sheet description only.
4. **COLLINS, J. LAWTON:** Papers, 1896-1975. Collins was United States Army Chief of Staff from 1949-1953 and during World War II commanded the 25th Infantry Division in the Pacific Theater and led the VII Army Corps in Europe in 1944-45. Boxes 17, 19, 22 and 23 contain messages, memoranda and correspondence concerning the Korean War. These include scattered references to POW issues. Box 19 contains a few newsclippings regarding the Koje Island compound which housed several thousand North Korean and Chinese POWs. Box 72 contains a printed booklet, 1949 Convention Regarding Prisoners of War. Open for research. Preliminary inventory.
5. **COMBINED CHIEFS OF STAFF:** Conference Proceedings, 1941-45. Box 3, "Argonaut Conference" (Yalta). Contains text of agreement between the United States, the United Kingdom and the Soviet Union regarding handling of liberated POWs, plus limited discussion. (Pages 175-180 and 242-243). Open for research. Preliminary inventory.
6. **COTA, NORMAN D.:** Papers, 1912-61. Box 2 contains a letter from a United States Army officer held as POW by the Germans during World War II plus two file folders (est. 75 pages) of condolence letters and related correspondence between General Cota and relatives of U.S. personnel reported as KIA or MIA during World War II in Europe. Open for research. Preliminary inventory.
7. **DULLES, JOHN FOSTER:** Papers, 1951-59. The Papers of John Foster Dulles, Secretary of State, 1953-1959, contain a variety of high level documents concerning the Korean War armistice and POW issues, American military and civilian personnel held by

Communist China, and United States airmen missing as result of Cold War reconnaissance operations. Box 10, Subject Series contains 7 file folders concerning the Korean Armistice with references to POW matters and the text of the armistice agreement. Box 11, Subject Series contains approximately 150 pages in 6 file folders entitled "Wang-Johnson Talks, Prisoners of War 1955" with messages and statements concerning U.S. talks with Chinese Government representatives at Geneva about U.S. personnel held by China. Boxes 1, 2, and 10 of the Telephone Calls Series contain numerous telephone conversations concerning Korean War POW matters. Also found in this series and in the JFD Chronological Series are items regarding Cold War shutdown incidents resulting in the loss or disappearance of U.S. airmen. Some pertinent items may still be security-classified. The Dulles Papers are largely open for research. Shelf list. Portions undergoing pending processing as of September 1998.

8. **DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER LIBRARY:** Collection of 20th Century Military Records, 1918-1950. Box 4 in Series II, Library Reference Publications, contains U.S. War Department Prisoner of War, Circular No. 1, Regulations Governing Prisoners of War, dated September 24, 1943. This document, approximately 100 pages in length, specifies official regulations covering treatment of enemy POWs, primarily German, under United States custody during World War II. This same series contains material on demobilization and repatriation of German and Japanese forces at the end of World War II. Series II, Library Reference Publications, Boxes 13-16, contains numerous reports regarding U.S. Army Services Forces Service Command during the period 1942-45. These contain tables, and discussion regarding use of German POWs for labor with data on numbers of POWs, control, discipline and work. Open for research. Shelf list.
9. **EISENHOWER, DWIGHT D.:** Papers, 1916-52. General Eisenhower's Pre-Presidential Papers contain scattered references to POWs although many of these are not readily identifiable from the rudimentary shelf list currently serving as a finding aid to these papers. One sizeable file (Boxes 150-151) (estimated 800 pages) of reports on the military government in occupied Germany following World War II, contains data on German POWs including totals in captivity, general handling, categories and other information. A file of United States Forces European Theater intelligence reports in Box 178 contains some information on German POWs. Other specific items found in these papers include a letter from General Eisenhower to Congressman Frank Boykin regarding German POWs in the U.S. (Box 8), a letter from General Bradley regarding news article on high ranking German officer POWs (Box 13), a memorandum from Winston Churchill to Eisenhower in May 1945 regarding reduction in rations for POWs (Box 22), an interrogation report on a captured Nazi official, Oscar Henschel (Box 51), the minutes of a British Chiefs of Staff meeting covering rations for enemy POWs (Hastings Ismay (3), Box 60), memoranda in the John C.H. Lee folder in Box 71 re movement of POWs in March and April 1945, a letter from R.D. Stuart in May 1945 concerning food sufficiency in Germany (Box 105), a letter from W.D. Styer in December 1946 concerning Allied officers freed from Japanese prison camps (Box 112) and reports on interrogations by Russian, British and American officers of Nazi officer Herr Franz von Papen (Box 118). Specifically listed POW related documents are open. A few other items are closed because of security-classification. Shelf list.
10. **EISENHOWER, DWIGHT D.:** Papers as President of the United States (Ann Whitman File), 1953-61. The "Ann Whitman File" is a rich body of high level presidential papers covering most aspects of the Eisenhower Administration foreign and domestic policies. Although the documentation at this level seldom contains detailed information on POW

matters, there are some significant items reflecting Korean War POWs and U.S. military personnel involved in Cold War reconnaissance operations. Portions of this collection are still closed because of security-classification. Arranged by series for which preliminary inventories and shelf lists are available as finding aids. Pertinent series are listed below:

- A. **Administration Series.** Contains file folders for Mark Clark; Korean Armistice; a few items on Korean War POWs; and Box 40 for Charles E. Wilson includes February 19, 1953 letter from President Eisenhower to Secretary Wilson regarding rations for POWs held by U.S. and Korean forces with Eisenhower reflecting on his WWII experiences in feeding German POWs; also Wilson's response and a total of 11 pages regarding rations for POWs in Korea; Wilson, Charles E. 1955 (1), Box 40. Two page memorandum to Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff dated June 13, 1955 re American military personnel unaccounted for by communists.
- B. **DDE Diary Series.** Box 17, File Folder: "Aug '56 Diary-Staff Memos," Memorandum of Conference, DDE and Admiral Radford re Cold War activities (still classified as of October 1994). This series also contains documents concerning the RB-47 incident in July 1960, the U-2 incident in May 1960, a few items concerning the Korean War, and possibly other cold war incidents. File Folder "August 1957, Memo on Appointments (1)", Box 26. Contains 1 page memorandum of meeting between Mrs. Mary Downey, mother of American held prisoner by Chinese, and President Eisenhower on August 16, 1957.
- C. **Dulles-Herter Series.** Boxes 1 and 2 contain messages and memoranda concerning Korean War POWs while Box 5 contains memoranda prepared in July 1955 regarding WWII era POWs still held in Soviet Union and re Americans imprisoned in Red China.
- D. **International Series.** Boxes 32-33 contain a basic file on Korea and include correspondence between President Eisenhower and Syngman Rhee plus other material concerning the Korean War and armistice. Portions still security-classified.
- E. **NSC Series.** Box 4 contains numerous National Security Council discussions of Korea and the armistice. Many of these are printed in the Department of State's Foreign Relations series. See also summary of 157th NSC meeting of July 30, 1953 regarding Cold War activity (portion still security-classified) (Box 4), 253rd NSC meeting of 5/3/56 re attacks on U.S. aircraft (Box 7), 371st meeting, 7/3/58 re U.S. craft forced down in USSR (Box 10), and meetings in Box 12 concerning the U-2 and RB-47 incidents. Portions of many NSC Summaries of Discussion are still security-classified.
- F. **Press Conference Series.** Box 1, Press Conference 4/2/53 contains statement on sick and wounded U.S. POWs in Korea; and Press Conferences of 10/21/53, 12/16/53 and 1/27/54 contain references to Korean War POWs.

11. **EISENHOWER, DWIGHT D.:** Records as President (White House Central Files)

- A. **Official File.** "OF 154-H Prisoners of War" through "OF 154-H-3," (Box 686) contains an estimated 350 pages of correspondence between the White House and relatives of U.S. servicemen missing in action in Korea or believed held by Communist China. Found here is correspondence with Senator Joseph McCarthy and

with veterans organizations. Some material pertains to effects of hardships suffered by U.S. military personnel and civilian internees as POWs during WWII and assistance for such individuals needing it. Also found in these folders is information on POW exchanges in Korea and U.S. soldiers refusing repatriation after the Korean armistice. See also folders entitled "OF 154-G Korean Emergency" through "OF 154 G-3 Korean Armistice" in Box 686 (est. 200 pages) and "OF-196 Korea, Government and Embassy of" in Box 727. "OF 3-M Court Martial Cases 'D'," Box 102. Contains 19 pages of correspondence including White House letter and edited letter drafts re Corporal Edward S. Dickenson and references to his conduct as a POW in Korea. "OF 3-R-3 Missing Members of Armed Forces," Box 106. This folder contains approximately 130 pages of correspondence from relatives of personnel missing in action, primarily during Korean War but also some references to cold war shutdown incidents. Some correspondence here from Congressmen and from White House staff in response to letters inquiring about missing individuals. A few items are security-classified. Shelf list.

- B. General File.** "GF 125-U Prisoners of War" and GF 125-U-1 Thirteen Americans Imprisoned by Chinese Communists" (Boxes 937-938). About 1,000 pages of correspondence from the public including relatives of servicemen, veterans groups and others with some responses from the White House staff. Official documents include public statements on efforts to obtain return of American personnel possibly still in communist custody. "GF 11-H-1 Missing Members of the Armed Forces" (Boxes 227-228). 10 file folders covering period from 1952-53 through 1960. Consists of estimated 400 pages of correspondence between the White House and relatives of servicemen missing in action (primarily Korea) but also concerning a C-130 plane shot down on the Soviet border in 1958, and even a WWII matter. Includes some agency letters, occasional congressional correspondence and internal memoranda, drafts and carbons of White House letters sent to the correspondents. "GF 12-E Army Court Martial Cases 1958 (6)" (Box 254) contains 17 pages of correspondence pertaining to Major Ronald Alley, court-martialled for collaborating with the enemy while held as a prisoner of war during the Korean War. Includes Major Alley's letter to Senator Margaret Chase Smith, proceedings of the court-martial convened in August through November 1955 and correspondence from Army and White House concerning this case. "GF 180 Eugene R. Guild" and "GF 180-A Crusade of Kin of America's Forgotten Men (to Washington, D.C. April 21-22, 1954)," Box 1285. Correspondence from and regarding this organization concerned with American military personnel missing in action or allegedly in Communist captivity during and following Korean War. Includes statements, lists of signatures and letters from the organization along with White House and other agency responses. Estimated 150 pages in the two folders. A few items closed for privacy as of September 1998. Shelf list.
- C. Confidential File.** Box 61, "Prisoners of War (13 held by Chinese Communists)." Telegram from William Randolph Hearst concerning Americans held by Chinese Communists plus response by White House. Box 70, "State, Department of July 1955," 4 documents totaling 6 pages re non-repatriated POWs and re efforts to obtain release from Soviet imprisonment of crew of Navy Privateer shot down in Baltic on 4/8/50. Box 4, "Air Force, Department of," information re C-130 incident in 1958. Box 100, "War Criminals" (4 folders totaling estimated 150 pages). This file concerns recommendations by the Clemency and Parole Board For War Criminals involving Japanese war criminals. Memoranda detail defendants' mistreatment of

U.S. soldiers and airmen captured by the Japanese during WWII. Information in these folders also pertains to establishment of the Clemency and Parole Board and also to the treatment of Japanese war criminals as an issue in United States-Japanese relations. Shelf list.

D. **Alpha File.** "Prisoner and Prisoners (Only) (1)(2)" Boxes 2503-2504. Consists primarily of lists of letters sent to the President which were referred to the Departments of State, Defense and Justice. These lists include brief synopses of the letters' contents and help document the general public's response to the repatriation of American POWs, repatriation of Korean POWs, 22 American POWs who did not want to return to the U.S., and the Korean armistice. These folders concern the Korean War almost exclusively but do contain a few references to WWII. A few pages are closed in part for privacy as of April 1998. "Van Wees, Mrs. Rita (Only)" Box 3197. Contains correspondence and cross reference sheets concerning Mrs. Van Wees' efforts to obtain information about her son who was an MIA during the Korean War.

12. **EISENHOWER, DWIGHT D.:** Papers, Post-Presidential, 1961-69. The **Augusta-Walter Reed Series** (Box 1) contains a series of briefings of Dwight Eisenhower by Andrew Goodpaster concerning international developments during the period 1965-68. Many of these briefings covered the Vietnam War and on September 6, 1967, Eisenhower's briefing included comments on U.S. Government efforts on behalf of U.S. POWs held by North Vietnam. See File Folder: "Goodpaster and Wheeler Briefings 1967," 4 page memorandum. Declassified and available for research. The **Augusta-Walter Reed Series**, Box 1, File Folder: "Goodpaster 1968" contains a 3 page memorandum of a telephone conversation between Goodpaster and DDE re North Korea's seizure of the Pueblo (3 pages) plus a 5 page memorandum of a briefing by General Goodpaster for DDE on Vietnam, the Tet Offensive, USSR and the Pueblo Incident. One paragraph concerns the Pueblo. The **1967 Principal File Series**, Box 6, contains two folders entitled "FA - Vietnam." These include correspondence exchanged between Dwight Eisenhower the mother of Col. Gordon Larson, an airman downed in North Vietnam and reported to be a POW. This material consists of correspondence plus a Department of State statement regarding POWs held in North Vietnam. The correspondence totals about 15 pages plus some duplicates. Shelf list. See also the following: **1962 Principal File Series**, Box 7, "Gifts (T) (1)." This folder contains a hand drawn map of a German Air Force POW camp, "Kriegsgefangaenen Lager Der Luftwaffe Barth," dated March 17, 1944 and drawn by R. M. Tiffany, a U.S. airman downed in Germany in 1944. This map is open to research. The **Appointment Books Series**, Box 3, File Folders: "Calls and Appointments 1967 (5)(6)." Brief synopses of conversations with General Goodpaster re Colonel Larson, a POW in Vietnam (August-September 1967).
13. **ERICKSON, THURMAN C.:** Papers, 1941-45. Thurman Erickson, a Pan American Airways executive, was interned in the Philippines during WWII by the Japanese. This collection consists of a diary maintained by Mr. Erickson while a prisoner in the Santo Tomas internment camp at Manila. The diary includes original handwritten pages and a typescript copy prepared by Erickson's secretary after the war. The diary describes Mr. Erickson's experiences and living conditions at the camp. Collection totals about 1,200 pages. Portions of six diary entries are closed in accordance with the donor's deed of gift. Preliminary inventory.

14. **FLEMMING, ARTHUR:** Papers, 1939-75. Arthur Flemming served as Director of the Office of Defense Mobilization and as Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare during the Eisenhower Administration. In WWII, Flemming served as Chairman, Civil Service Commission and in this capacity dealt with war manpower matters. Box 51, File Folder: "CSC War Manpower Commission 1942-45 (1)" contains 18 pages of correspondence during July-August 1945 between Frank McNance, Deputy Chairman of the War Manpower Commission with Alabama Congressman Frank Boykin regarding use of German POWs as labor in lumber and pulpwood industries. Correspondence focuses on wages to be paid the POWs. Box 52, File Folder: "CSC – War Manpower Commission – Minutes (1)" contains minutes of War Manpower Commission meeting, March 22, 1945 which includes paragraph indicating probable use of POWs as labor in pulpwood industry.
15. **HAGERTY, JAMES C.:** Papers, 1953-61. Press Secretary James Hagerty retained in his papers a transcript of a May 5, 1959 press conference on Korean war veterans still missing plus related items (Box 10, File Folder: "State Department"). See also folder "Korea File, 1952-53" in Box 6 and folders of press conference materials in Boxes 59-61. File Folder: "Geneva Conference – Wednesday, July 20, 1955," Box 12. Memorandum, Livingston Merchant to Secretary Dulles re President Eisenhower speaking to Marshal Zhukov re prisoners and civilians still held in the USSR and American prisoners in China. 1 page. POW related materials are open although small portions of collection are closed because of security-classification and portions closed pending processing. Preliminary inventory.
16. **HERTER, CHRISTIAN A.:** Papers, 1957-61. Christian Herter, Under Secretary of State from 1957-59 and Secretary of State, 1959-61, kept in his papers scattered memoranda regarding Cold War aircraft incidents and a few references to Americans imprisoned in Red China. See Box 3, "Chron File, Dec. 1957," Americans imprisoned in Communist China; Box 5, "July 1958," U.S. plane shot down over USSR; Box 5, "Sept 1958," Americans in Red China; Box 6, "March 1959," U.S. plane in Soviet Armenia; Box 7, "April 1959," C-130 shot down in USSR; Box 11, "CAH telephone calls 7/1/58-9/30/58" re downed U.S. airmen, plus numerous items on the U-2 Incident and on the RB-47 Incident. Some pertinent items may still be security-classified. Preliminary inventory.
17. **HODGES, COURTNEY H.:** Papers, 1904-65. Commanding General, First U.S. Army, 1944-45 in European Theater of Operations. Box 25 contains War Diary covering period June 2, 1944-May 7, 1945 with information on German POWs captured. Boxes 26-27 contain G-2 Periodic Reports with information obtained from German POWs. Open for research. Preliminary inventory.
18. **JACKSON, C.D.:** Papers, 1931-67. Time Incorporated executive, Office of War Information representative in Psychological Warfare Branch, Allied Forces Headquarters (PWB/AFHQ) and Psychological Warfare Division, Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Forces (PWD/SHAEF), 1943-45 and Special Assistant to the President for Psychological Warfare Planning, 1953-54. Jackson's WWII psychological warfare files contain numerous items concerning German and occasionally Italian POWs, especially information based on POW interrogations and leaflets designed in part from POW derived information. See Boxes 6-7, "Intelligence" (seven folders), and Boxes 7-9, "Leaflets," with several hundred pages of propaganda leaflets, memoranda and reports. Box 25, "Prisoner Interrogations" contains 4 pages of memoranda concerning interrogations of German POWs. A few items closed because of security-classification or in accordance with donor's deed of gift. Preliminary inventory.

19. **JACKSON, C.D.:** Records, 1953-54. Jackson's White House office files contain a significant quantity of documentation of Korean War POW issues involving American as well as North Korean and Chinese Communist POWs. Much of this concerns U.S. POWs who refused repatriation after Korean armistice plus some information on North Korean and Chinese POWs who likewise refused repatriation. Considerable information on allegations of brainwashing by communists and plans by United States Government to exploit these allegations of mistreatment of POWs for psychological strategy purposes. Selected folders include following: Box 1, "OCB Paper to Exploit BW," 3 pages; Box 4, "Korea (1)-(3)," an estimated 125 pages on Korean armistice with numerous references to U.S. and communist POW matters; Box 4, "Lodge, Henry C.," approximately 75 pages concerning Human Rights project aimed at publicizing before the United Nations reports of North Korean and Chinese mistreatment of POWs from the U.S. and its allies during Korean War; Box 5, "P," 5 pages of correspondence re Korean War POWs; Box 5, "Prisoner Exchange," estimated 40 pages of documentation regarding efforts to exploit release of 22,000 non-repatriated POWs from North Korea and China. Some items are still security-classified and at least one pertinent document is closed under the donor's deed of gift. Preliminary inventory.
20. **JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY PUBLICATIONS PROJECT:** Manuscripts and related material, The Papers of Dwight D. Eisenhower: The War Years, 1939-47 and 1963-67. These are the working files used by Johns Hopkins University researchers in publishing The Papers of Dwight D. Eisenhower: The War Years. The most useful portion for research purposes is probably the Footnotes and Supplementary Documents Series, Boxes 27-55. Contains scattered references to capture of German and Italian POWs by the Allies during WWII. The index to the published volumes can be used to track down these references. Portions closed pending processing. A few pages concerning POW matters are still security-classified. Shelf list.
21. **LEONARD, JOHN W.:** Papers, 1908-79. General Leonard commanded the 9th Armored Division in the European Theater of Operations during WWII from 1942-45. His papers contain prisoner of war interrogation reports. Closed pending processing.
22. **McCARDLE, CARL W.:** Papers, 1953-57. Assistant Secretary of State for Public Affairs. Box 1 contains file folder "Korean Truce Negotiations" holding approximately 50 pages of memoranda, draft statements and press releases including text of agreement on repatriation of POWs. Of particular interest are two memoranda of conversations between McCardle and Andrew Berding and McCardle and Alex Johnson concerning the possible publishing of the list of U.S. POWs missing in action at the close of hostilities in Korea. Open to research. Preliminary inventory.
23. **NORSTAD, LAURIS:** Papers, 1930-87. When the Korean War broke out in 1950, General Norstad was Acting Vice Chief of Staff for Operations for the United States Air Force. Box 20 contains following file folder: "Far East Command – Spot Intelligence Reports" (40 pages) with information derived from North Korean POWs plus information on Radio Pyongyang broadcasts of statements by U.S. POWs captured by North Korean forces. Box 22, File Folders "Official-Classified 1944 (1) (2)" contain two memoranda which discuss the proposed bombing of the Japanese Imperial Palace in Tokyo during WWII. The memoranda indicate concern on part of U.S. Government over possible retaliation by the Japanese against captured U.S. POWs. Material on Korean War and WWII is open. Preliminary inventory.

24. **PHILLIPS, ELIZABETH:** Papers, 1918-55. Elizabeth Phillips, a Red Cross nurse during WWI, organized the “Godparent Project” in 1940, before the United States became an active belligerent in WWII. This involved finding volunteers in the United States to send letters and packages to British soldiers held as POWs by the Germans. Ms. Phillips’ papers contain correspondence from British POWs and relatives and from relatives of American POWs, records pertaining to her work, and printed newsletters pertaining to British and American POWs, plus books and pamphlets on POW matters. Collection consists of approximately 10,000 pages. Open for research. Preliminary inventory.
25. **QUESADA, ELWOOD R.:** Papers, 1920-67. General Quesada held several commands including Commanding General, 9th Tactical Air Command during World War II. His papers contains two file folders entitled “WWII Correspondence with families of airmen re: medals, missing in action, casualties, furloughs” (Box 1). These folders total approximately 100 pages and include handwritten and typed letters from relatives of airmen to General Quesada. Letters regarding airmen missing in action are sprinkled throughout these folders. Open for research. Preliminary inventory.
26. **REPUBLICAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE:** News Clippings and Publications, 1932-65. Box 280 consists entirely of file folders containing news clippings on Korean War POWs, brainwashing, non-repatriates, and related issues. Numerous newspapers are represented in this clipping collection. Related Korean War materials are found in Boxes 279 and 281 and also in Boxes 694-695. Box 471, File Folder “13 Man Committee to Study Troops Education and Anti-Communist Indoctrination” contains references to Korean War POWs and allegations of weaknesses in captured U.S. personnel.
27. **SCHOOLEY, HERSCHEL:** Papers, 1954-60 and 1975. Box 4, File Folder: “May-December 1955 Book IV (3)” contains press conference transcript dated August 17, 1955 which covers POWs and Code of Conduct. A few minor references to POWs can be found for other dates.
28. **SEATON, FRED A.:** Papers, 1946-72. Before becoming Secretary of the Interior under President Eisenhower in 1956, Fred Seaton served as Assistant Secretary of Defense for Legislative Affairs, 1953-55. Box 1, **FAS Eyes Only Series**, File Folder: “Classified – Miscellaneous” contains 5 pages of unclassified memoranda dated 1955 concerning U.S. POWs in Korea who refused repatriation. Box 9, **Post Eisenhower Administration Series** contains a 62 page booklet, Greater Love Hath No Man, with cartoons and commentary from the San Diego Union on American POWs and MIAs in Vietnam, 1965-73. Open. Shelf list.
29. **SMITH, WALTER BEDELL:** Collection of World War II Documents. This is one of the Library’s most important WWII related collections and holds much information on POWs during WWII. The file of Cable Logs found in boxes 22-27 is an especially important source of information on United States, British, Russian and German POWs and contains numerous messages involving interactions with the Soviet Union on POW and displaced persons matters as well as handling of German POWs and liberation of Allied POWs from the Germans. There are a few references to POWs of other nationalities such as Yugoslav and French. The Cable Logs covering Mediterranean and North African operations in boxes 2-13 are likely to contain numerous messages regarding Italian as well as German POWs. The Weekly Intelligence Summaries for the period March 1944 to April 1945 in boxes 30-32 contain intelligence information derived from interrogations of German POWs. Box 37 contains reports on displaced persons operations and the food

situation in Western Germany at the end of WWII. Most of this material is declassified and open to research. Box 16, Folder: "Chief of Staff, D-Day Torch (4)" contains a report on German POWs which was still security-classified as of October 1994. Shelf list.

30. **SMITH, WALTER BEDELL:** Papers, 1942-61. Walter Bedell Smith's Papers contain scattered items which can be found only through persistent searching. Box 9, File Folder: "Chief of Staff Personal Correspondence (2)" contains a letter by Smith regarding an individual's son reported missing in action in Europe during WWII. Box 10, File Folder: "1946-Miscellaneous" contains memoranda concerning displaced persons and with paragraphs on use of U.S. troops to repatriate Soviet citizens. Box 22, "1953 Personal Correspondence D" contains a letter re Korean Armistice Commission, Communist POWs and post-armistice repatriation activities. These materials are open to research. Rudimentary shelf list only.
31. **SUPREME HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE, OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY, GENERAL STAFF:** Records, 1943-45. These are microfilm copies of records which are part of Record Group 331 in the National Archives. These reels contain several files pertaining to WWII POW matters. The contents of Reels 35 and 36 deal primarily with Allied and German POWs and include titles such as "383.6 Repatriation & aid to Allied Civilian Personnel" (Frames 64-188); "383.6/1 Vol II & Vol I. Escapees, Evaders and Ex-Internees of Allied Nationalities" (Frames 189-417); "383.6/2 Employment of POW Regulations and Policies re Service Units etc." (418-635); "383.6/3 Vols II & I Maintenance, Transshipment and Disposition of PW (enemy)" (Frames 636-1012); and "383.6/4 Interrogations of Prisoners of War" (Frames 1013-1022). Reel 36 continues this 383.6 series with title on "Repatriation of Sick and Wounded POWs and Civilians with Germany" and "Repatriation, Recovery and Rehabilitation of Allied POWs in Europe." Reel 37 concludes the 383 series with "383.6/11 U.S. Soviet Reciprocal Agreement on Liberated Prisoners of War & Civilians Vols I, II & III." The contents of Reels 35, 36 and 37 have been declassified.
32. **SUPREME HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE:** Selected Records, 1943-45. This collection consists of 14 2/3 cubic feet of duplicates of SHAEF records held in the National Archives. Some of this material is also duplicated in other collections in the Library's holdings. See folders of 12th Army Group Headquarters G-2 Weekly Intelligence Summaries in Box 39 containing some information obtained from German POWs. Estimated 200 pages. Open for research. Shelf list.
33. **U.S. ARMY:** Unit Records, 1940-50. This massive collection (about 1,500 archives boxes) of primarily duplicate records contains considerable POW related information with most of it concerning enemy (German and Japanese) POWs in the European and Pacific Theaters of Operations. Documentation includes interrogation of enemy officials and prisoners, G-2 intelligence and counter-intelligence logs containing results of interrogations, excerpts from captured documents and other data. Records for a few units contain roster lists with lists of casualties including KIA, WIAs and MIAs. A few selected unit files are listed below. Shelf list. Open.

17th Airborne Division, Box 3, G-2 Summaries and CIC Detachment Weekly Security Reports contain information resulting from interrogations of German military and civilian personnel, some information on German orders concerning treatment of Allied POWs, and counter-intelligence investigations in Germany following end of hostilities. Estimated 50 pages.

101st Airborne Division, Boxes 13 and 13a contain several folders concerning Counter-Intelligence Corps interrogations of German officials and POWs. Estimated 200 pages.

4th Armored Division, Boxes 78-80 contain G-2 Periodic Reports and Journals with numerous German POW interrogation reports. Over 1,000 pages.

7th Armored Division, Boxes 118-122, G-2 and G-3 Reports describe Division's work in processing German POWs and contain information on interrogations of POWs. Over 1,500 pages.

8th Armored Division, Box 129, G-3 Journals contain information on German POWs. Estimated 100 pages or more.

14th Antiaircraft Command, Box 190 History 14th Antiaircraft Command, Intelligence G-2 (1) [includes report on Japanese atrocities]

25th Infantry Division, Boxes 831-837. Boxes 831-832 contain G-2 Periodic Reports which document the investigation of Japanese execution of 38 U.S. airmen during period May 14 to June 29, 1945. See "G-2 Periodic Report December 1945" in Box 831. 25 pages of details including names of individuals executed and reports describing the circumstances.

27th Infantry Division, Boxes 845-847, G-2 Reports concerning Okinawa operations with POW interrogation reports and data taken from killed and captured Japanese soldiers.

29th Infantry Division, Boxes 861-862, G-2 Reports contain German POW interrogation reports from August 1944 to November 1945.

35th Infantry Division, Box 893, "G-2 Interrogation & PW Reports 1944-45," 35 pages of reports based on interrogations of German POWs.

This is only a partial listing of units. Records for other units contain similar information relating to POWs (G-2 Periodic Reports, etc.). These include such units as the 42nd, 77th, 78th, 79th, 83rd, 86th, 92nd, 93rd, 99th and 103rd Infantry Divisions. A shelf list with brief descriptions is available for most of these units. Please also note that the Library holds microfilm copies of the records of the 1st Infantry Division, 4th Infantry Division, and 1st Armored Division. These records are also available for research.

34. **U.S. ARMY, U.S. FORCES, EUROPEAN THEATER, HISTORICAL DIVISION:** Records, 1941-46. These are microfilm copies of records which are housed in the National Archives as part of Record Group 338. This collection contains several files pertaining to POWs during WWII in Europe. These include Reel 10, Box 2, "Civilian Enemy Aliens and Prisoners of War;" Reel 15, Box 3, "Displaced Persons;" Reel 35, Box 6, "Prisoners of War;" Reel 498, Box 15, "American Held Prisoners of War, ETO Survey March 1944" and Reel 106, Box 18, "Monograph 1947 – Recovery and Repatriation of Liberated Prisoners of War 1945-46." These altogether total several hundred frames of microfilm. Small portions are still security-classified. Shelf list.
35. **U.S. ARMY, U.S. FORCES, EUROPEAN THEATER, GENERAL BOARD:** Reports, 1942-46. Box 10, #103 "Military Police Activities in Connection with the Evacuation and

Detention of Prisoners of War, Civilian Internees, and Military Personnel Recovered from the Enemy, Provost Marshal Section.” Pertains to POW matters in Europe during WWII. Shelf list.

36. **U.S. PRESIDENT’S COMMISSION ON VETERANS’ PENSIONS:** Records, 1954-58. This Commission, Chaired by General Omar Bradley, was established in 1955 to study types of benefits granted to veterans such as financial, educational, vocational rehabilitation and employment benefits. Box 82 contains folder “Prisoner of War Report,” which consists of an 82 page printed report by the Secretary of Defense’s Advisory Committee on Prisoners of War in August 1955. The focus of this report is on the Korean War experiences of U.S. POWs and a recommended code of conduct to govern POW behavior in future wars. Open to research. Preliminary inventory.
37. **U.S. PRESIDENT’S COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL INFORMATION ACTIVITIES (Jackson Committee):** Records, 1950-53. The Jackson Committee was established by President Eisenhower in January 1953 to study the United States Government’s international information and psychological warfare activities. The Committee conducted its work from January to June 1953 when the Korean War was still going on. Among these records are a series of Committee documents in Boxes 11-12 which focus on the U.S. military and psychological warfare. Many of these reports contain comments and other references concerning U.S. POWs in Korea, Communist tactics used against them, and means of resisting these tactics. Some comments on Communist soldiers captured by the United States in Korea are also included. These total over 300 pages. Some of these documents are still classified in full or in part. Preliminary inventory.
38. **WHITE HOUSE OFFICE, NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL STAFF:** Papers, 1948-61. This collection is probably the most important source of documentation in the Library’s holdings on Korean War POWs. There are several series and several file folders with pertinent information. These are listed below:

A. **Operations Coordinating Board Central Files Series.** Boxes 117-118 – “OCB 383.6 Prisoners of War – Korean War,” 10 file folders containing estimated 250 pages. This is a basic file on the topic and contains memoranda of meetings of the OCB Working Group on POWs, memoranda for the records, reports, and statements. These focus on U.S. personnel reported as POWs and MIAs in Korea, non-repatriated U.S. personnel, non-repatriated Communist POWs in U.S. Army hands and U.S. Government psychological strategy in dealing with these various POW issues. Brainwashing, germ warfare, and atrocities are among the topics covered. Some of this material relates to Ambassador Henry Cabot Lodge’s project for psychological exploitation at the United Nations. Most documents in these files have been declassified with minor excisions but a few items are still classified.

Other files to check within the **OCB Central Files Series** include: Box 87, “OCB 095 ‘R’” containing two pertinent memoranda (still classified as of September 1998); Box 124, “OCB 702.5 Brainwashing and Psychological Examination” with 19 pages on this topic; Boxes 110-112, “OCB 350.05, Daily Intelligence Abstracts,” which span period from November 1953 to June 1957 and contain scattered references to Korean armistice, and U.S. military and civilian personnel held by Communist China, (a few items may still be classified in full or in part); Boxes 26-28, folders on China; Boxes 49-50, 25 folders on Korea; and Box 121, “OCB 387.4 Korea Armistice” with about 300 pages including some information on POWs. Shelf list.

B. **OCB Secretariat Series.** Box 4, "Lodge's Human Rights Project," 2 folders, portions still classified as of September 1998. Box 11, "OCB Minutes (1)(2)" covering 1953, contains information on Korean armistice.

C. **Psychological Strategy Board Central Files Series.** This is another key body of documentation concerning Korean War POW issues. See especially Box 26, "PSB 383.6 Prisoners of War," 13 folders containing 325 pages covering Communist mistreatment of U.S. POWs, brainwashing and related issues including non-repatriation of Communist POWs in U.S. hands. Contains statements by U.S. POWs refusing repatriation. Some material is security-classified as of September 1998. See also Box 29, "PSB 702.5 Brainwashing During Korean War" with estimated 75 pages of material, much of which was still security-classified as of October 1994. Some information here on treatment of returned U.S. POWs at Valley Forge General Hospital. Also see Boxes 23-24 "PSB 334 UN," 16 folders regarding propaganda on POWs and related issues at UN; Box 13, "Korea;" Box 27, "PSB 387.4 Korean Armistice, 7 folders; Box 18, "PSB 095 P (1)," and Box 25 "PSB 350.05 Intelligence Abstracts." Pertinent information may also be found elsewhere in the PSB Central Files Series. Significant portions still remain security-classified as of September 1998. Shelf list.

D. **Executive Secretary's Subject File Series.** Box 11, "Intelligence 1953-57," material re Korean armistice.

E. **NSC Registry Series.** Box 5, File Folders: "Intelligence Advisory Committee 5-19 (5) (7)." Found here is report of Ad Hoc Prisoners Information Support Committee, April 1957 (8 pages). Security-classified as of September 1998, and a January 24, 1956 memorandum regarding U.S. citizens held in Sino-Soviet Bloc countries, including totals (4 pages). Security-classified as of September 1998. Boxes 14-16, files of "PSB Documents, Master Book of, Vol I, II, & IV," PSB Papers on Korea including Korean armistice, and Boxes 16-17, "PSB Documents Master Book of," includes minutes of PSB meetings 1951-53.

39. **WHITE HOUSE OFFICE, OFFICE OF THE SPECIAL ASSISTANT FOR NATIONAL SECURITY AFFAIRS:** Records, 1953-61. This body of material contains National Security Council policy papers, briefing notes, correspondence, memoranda, reports and studies. Information on Korean War POWs and on Cold War reconnaissance operations is found in these records. Significant portions were security-classified as of September 1998. Shelf list. Selected files are listed below by series:

A. **FBI Series.** Box 3, File Folder: "S (1)." 14 pages of FBI memoranda reporting on repatriated U.S. POWs in Korea and allegations of involvement with Communist propaganda. Filed under Schwur, Frederick and Stell, Robert. Portions still security-classified as of September 1998.

B. **NSC Series, Briefing Notes Subseries.** Box 18, "USSR 1954-60." Contains memoranda concerning aircraft incidents involving the USSR including a list of such incidents. 8 pages. Still security-classified as of September 1998.

C. **NSC Series, Policy Papers Subseries.** Several NSC policy papers relating to Korea plus supporting documentation in this file. See NSC 118/2, NSC 147, NSC 154, NSC 157 and NSC 170/1, all of which pertain to Korea during the war and armistice period. Many of these are printed in the Department of State's Foreign Relations series. Portions of some of these papers were still security-classified as of September 1998.

D. **NSC Series, Status of Projects Subseries.** See Box 3, “NSC 142 (5),” Report by Psychological Strategy Board re the Psychological Program, January 21, 1953. 45 pages. Contains information on U.S. POWs during Korean War. Portions classified as of September 1998. Also see Box 4, “NSC 161, Vol. II (3),” Report by Psychological Strategy Board on Psychological Program. July 30, 1953. 57 pages. Contains considerable policy information regarding repatriated U.S. POWs after Korean War and communist indoctrination. Portions of the section on POWs were still security-classified as of September 1998. Also found in this Status of Projects Subseries are reports on foreign intelligence which cover reconnaissance activities. These reports were still security-classified in full or with large deletions as of September 1998.

E. **Special Assistant’s Series, Subject Subseries.** Box 2, “Code of Conduct Program (Defense) (1)-(6).” Contains Department of Defense Report POW (82 pages), pamphlet The U.S. Fighting Man’s Code (94 pages), the text of the Code of Conduct for U.S. military personnel, Department of Defense Progress Reports (1st, 2nd and 3rd) on Code of Conduct Program, and a few memoranda. These folders total approximately 300 pages. Open for research.

40. **WHITE HOUSE OFFICE, OFFICE OF THE STAFF SECRETARY:** Records, 1952-61. The **Subject Series, Alphabetical Subseries** is a rich source of documentation on Cold War reconnaissance operations, including incidents involving attacks on U.S. aircraft with some losses of planes and crewmen. See file folders “Intelligence Matters (1)-(20),” Boxes 14-15. These contain numerous memoranda on U-2 and other aircraft reconnaissance activities. Much of this documentation was still security-classified as of October 1994. See also file folders, “Navy, Department of (1) (4),” which contain information on attacks on U.S. navy planes, Box 20; and file folder “CIA Vol 1 (1),” Box 7; and “Miscellaneous (5),” Box 17, regarding C-130 incident. Box 23, File Folders: “RB-47 (1)(2)” contain Department of State messages regarding the downed RB-47 crew members, text of a Soviet note and the United States Government’s reply and related material. Box 25, File Folders: “U-2” (15 file folders) contains State Department and White House messages regarding international impact of the incident, a CIA report on Khrushchev’s statements, State Department messages reporting on Francis Gary Powers’ treatment in captivity and his trial plus a letter from Powers to his wife. Some items were still security-classified as of September 1998. Portions of these records were still security-classified as of September 1998. Shelf list.

41. **WORLD WAR II PARTICIPANTS AND CONTEMPORARIES:** Papers. This collection of personal papers solicited by the Eisenhower Library from participants in all theaters of operations and regardless of rank, contains diaries and other materials reflecting United States military personnel experiences in German and Japanese prison camps. The collection is arranged alphabetically by name of individual. Individual files with identified materials pertaining to POW experiences are listed below.

FUJITA, FRANK. Served in 131st Field Artillery Battalion in Java. Was captured by the Japanese in 1942 and spent remainder of war in Bunko POW camp in Tokyo. Files include a printed diary (est. 250 pages) which he kept on virtually a daily basis and in which he recorded his observations of POW life. Also found here are the original diaries which he used to prepare the printed version, a weight chart kept by Fujita while a POW, and a map of large portion of Japan which was annotated “for use in escape.” Open for research.

MILNAR, ANTHONY. Friend of William P. Oliver, U.S. POW of Japanese in Philippines. Contains published diary kept by Oliver who went down with Japanese prison ship sank by the United States Navy in October 1944. Diary outlines daily prison routine 1942-44. Open for research.

POSEY, KATHERENE. Sister of Howard Schlingloff, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in Philippines and POW in Japan. Schlingloff died in Japanese prison camp in December 1944. File contains under 50 pages of correspondence, including letter returned to sender by the Japanese, biographical data, and newsclippings concerning Schlingloff's death. Open for research.

SHEARER, BETH. Daughter of William Fox, 5th Armored Division, European Theater of Operations. Fox was captured by the Germans during the Battle of the Bulge and held as a POW from December 1944 until end of war in Europe in 1945. Contains 20 page memoir printed by Fox in 1985 relating his experiences as a POW in a German prison camp. Open for research.

WEAVER, JOHN R. Served in United States Air Force. Shot down over Germany on April 11, 1944. Held as POW in German Luftwaffe prison camp. File contains POW registration form. Open for research.

42. DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER LIBRARY ORAL HISTORY COLLECTION:

BRIGGS, ELLIS. U.S. Ambassador to Korea, 1952-55. 139 pages. Interview #2 contains comments on the Korean Armistice negotiations.

CLARK, MARK WAYNE. Commander in Chief, U.N. Command, Korea, 1949-52. 92 pages.

ROBERTSON, WALTER. Assistant Secretary of State for the Far East, 1953-59. 194 pages. Contains Robertson's remarks about Korean Armistice.

- 43. DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER LIBRARY AUDIOVISUAL COLLECTION.** The Library's audiovisual holdings contain some still photographs on POW matters, especially German POWs captured by the Allies during WWII. A particularly important collection is the Des Moines Register-Tribune Newspaper Collection of 80,000 photographs for the WWII period. This collection is currently unprocessed and only limited reference service is available on it.

PRINTED MATTER (magazine articles, etc.) Yuri Rastvorov, "How Red Titans Fought For Supreme Power," Life Magazine, November 29, 1954, pp. 18-20 and 146-156. Article by a Lt. Colonel in the Soviet intelligence services who defected to the West in 1954. Yuri Rastvorov, "Red Fraud and Intrigue in Far East," Life Magazine, December 6, 1954, pp. 174-192. Rastvorov discussed Russian involvement in the Korean War and espionage in Japan. Yuri Rastvorov, "Goodby to Red Terror," Life Magazine, December 13, 1954, pp. 49-58. Rastvorov described how he defected from his Soviet espionage position in Japan to the United States. (Note: reports of U.S. POWs captured during Korean War and transferred to the USSR have been attributed to Yuri Rastvorov in at least one memorandum dated January 31, 1955 in the Eisenhower Library's holdings.) This issue of Life Magazine is part of the Eisenhower Library's collection of periodicals.