Colonel McPherson Le Moyne graduated from the U.S. Military Academy in 1936 and was commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant in the U.S. Cavalry. He served in the China-Burma-India Theater of Operation during World War II, commanded the 758th Tank Battalion and the 40th Tank Battalion after the war, and served in a number of staff positions. In 1948 he attended the Command and General Staff College Regular Course and graduated in 1949. Colonel LeMoyne retired from active service in 1958. He died in September 1998.

The papers were donated to the Combined Arms Research Library in May 2003 by Colonel Le Moyne's three sons, LTG John Le Moyne, U.S. Army; Rear Admiral I.C. (Chuck) Le Moyne, U.S. Navy; and Mr. James G. Le Moyne, Assistant Secretary General, United Nations.

Collection Description

The Colonel Le Moyne papers are a small collection of CGSC Regular Course material from the 1948-1949 academic year, various training publications, and two transcripts of Japanese officer interrogations from the China-Burma-India section of the Historical Division, SSUSA. The notebook contains advance sheets with annotations by Colonel Le Moyne and is tabbed for quick reference access. The training material consists primarily of CGSC course readings but include a few publications published after 1949.

The collection is contained in one 10 ½" x 5" box.

Box listing:

1 notebook-

Selected CGSC course materials and student’s notes from AY 1948-1949. Subjects: Principles of war; Trends in warfare; Infantry division operations; Staff organizations and functions; Armored division operations; Communication Zones, organization and functions; Logistics; Corps operations.

The notebook also contains the transcripts from selected speeches delivered at CGSC during the school year. A speech delivered by Dr. Douglas Southall Freeman on 7 March 1949 is among the collection.

Folder - Training Publications

-- "The Defense of St. Vith, Belgium, 17-23 December 1944"

-- "The Nancy Bridgehead"
-- "Helpful Hints to Hopeful Heroes"

-- "Training Policies"

-- "Notes on Organizing, Training, Equipping, Moving and Employing a Division Based Upon Experience in an Armored Division From 1941-1945 in the Positions of: Battalion Commander, Chief of Staff, Combat Commander, Assistant Division Commander, Division Commander."

**Folder - Transcripts of Interrogations - Japanese officers in the China-Burma-India Theater of Operation**

-- Colonel Husayasu Maruyama

-- LTG Shinichi Tanaka