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M-299 THOMAS CLAUDE BEARD, CAMP RUSTON, COLLECTION, 1943-1952

CAMP RUSTON DOCUMENTATION PROJECT

SCOPE AND CONTENT

Materials from U.S. World War II prisoner of war camp Camp Ruston, including drawings made by prisoners, contemporary photographs of model stadium and castle constructed by prisoners, war ration book, 48-star U.S. flag, and current photograph of model country house made by prisoners. Donor was a member of the U.S. staff at the camp. 13 folders

BOX	FOLDER	DESCRIPTION
001	001-009	Ten drawings done by prisoners interned at Camp Ruston, c.1943-1945
	010	War Ration Book, inscribed "Mr. and Mrs. Claude Beard, Arcadia, La.", [1943-1944?] Current photograph of model wooden country house made by prisoners, c.1943-1945 Three photographs: Model stadium, c.1943-1945 Model castle, c.1943-1945 Thomas Claude Beard, 1952, with negative Letter to Joycalyn Ann from Santa Claus, ca.1944-1946 Address of Fritz Kurreck, Germany, ca.1944-1946
	011	48-star American flag
	012	Framed plaque "For God and Country" for hanging in window of those with family members serving in World War II
	013	Service records of Thomas Beard's brother Joe R. Beard, 1945