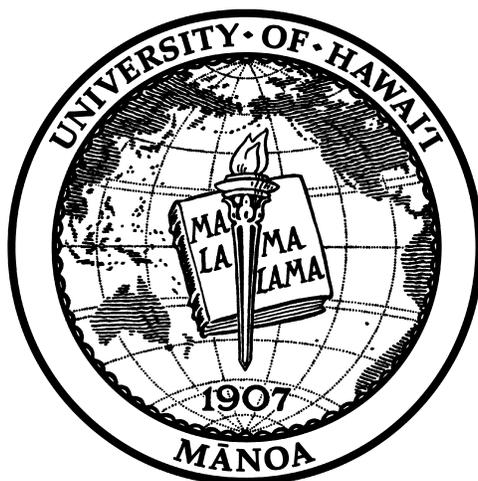


**UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT MĀNOA**

**Hawaii War Records Depository**

**Uncataloged Subject Files Series**

**Finding Aid**



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## **Introductory Information**

**Series Name:** Hawaii War Records Depository – Uncataloged Subject Files

**Collection Number:** MANUSCRIPT W

**Inclusive / Bulk Dates:** 1939-1994 (bulk 1940-1946)

**Size of Series:** 63.50 linear feet (28 record center boxes, 9 document cases, 12 card files, 15 oversize boxes of various sizes)

**Creator:** Hawaii War Records Depository

### **Abstract:**

The Hawaii War Records Depository (HWRD) is an extensive collection of archival materials that document life in Hawaii during World War II. This finding aid documents the portion of the Hawaii War Records Depository not previously cataloged at the item level in the existing Hawaii War Records Depository card catalog, excluding newspapers, scrapbooks, microfilm, audiovisual materials, memorabilia, and oversize materials, which will be described in future finding aids.

In April of 1943, during its first session after the United States' entrance into World War II, the Hawaii Territorial Legislature passed a joint resolution designating the University of Hawaii as the official depository of material related to Hawaii's part in the war. The university's Board of Regents appointed a committee to take control of the project, and the Hawaii War Records Depository was born.

The bulk of the collection originates from the war years and was collected during the Depository's early years of existence. This series contains correspondence, personal accounts, reports, photographs, posters, artwork, pamphlets, newspapers, clippings, and other materials. The majority of the materials originated from government departments, the armed forces, civilian war agencies, and large corporations rather than from individual citizens.

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## Agency History

The project that would become the Hawaii War Records Depository was conceived in April of 1943, during the first session of the Hawaii Territorial Legislature after the United States' entrance into World War II. At that session, a joint resolution was passed, designating the University of Hawaii as "the official depository of material, documents, photographs, and other data relating to Hawaii's part in the war between the United States and Germany, Japan, and Italy." Armed with the duty to "secure, collect, and preserve the necessary information, documents, pictures, and other data relating to Hawaii's part in the war," the university Board of Regents appointed a committee (composed primarily of university faculty) to take control of the project.

The committee employed archivists, librarians, and researchers to staff the Depository, and space was designated within the library (which was then located in what is today George Hall on the University of Hawaii campus) to house the collection. A large-scale publicity campaign was launched through newspapers, fliers, posters, and letters to encourage the donation of materials from everyone in the state with a wartime story to share. Still, a large portion of the collection was donated by government departments, the armed forces, civilian war agencies, and large corporations rather than by individual citizens. In some cases, departments and agencies wrote reports of their wartime activities specifically to send to the Hawaii War Records Depository, and such reports can be found at various points throughout the collection.

In May of 1947, the territorial legislature assigned an additional task to the Depository, empowering the university's Board of Regents to publish a history of Hawaii's part in the war and a memorial volume with the names, pictures, and biographies of Hawaii's soldiers who died during the war. Accordingly, the memorial volume *In Freedom's Cause* was compiled by a member of the Depository Staff, Lloyd L. Lee, and published by the University of Hawaii Press in May of 1949. Material used in the compilation of this volume remains a part of the Hawaii War Records Depository. Gwenfread Allen's *Hawaii's War Years, 1941-1945*, a history of wartime Hawaii written using the materials in the Hawaii War Records Depository, was published a year later.

While the Hawaii War Records Depository is still an open collection and continues to accept sporadic donations in accordance with Hawaii Revised Statutes, the university no longer

employs a full staff to actively manage the collection, and there is no longer an official Hawaii War Records Committee at the university.

The original cataloging scheme established for the Hawaii War Records Depository consisted of 73 major headings, further subdivided by subheadings where necessary. In many cases, the subheadings represented the creating agencies of the documents in the collection. As the collection contains materials originating from well over 200 creators, it is beyond the scope of this document to provide administrative histories for all of the organizations and institutions documented within these files. Where possible, a few brief lines of historical context have been inserted into the series description, but the interested researcher is advised to consult other secondary or primary sources for the histories of specific organizations represented in this collection.

## Scope & Content Note

The collection includes 28 record center boxes, 9 document cases, 12 card files, and 15 oversize boxes (of various sizes) of materials related to life in Hawaii during the Second World War, the bulk of which were received between 1943 and 1953. These materials represent the portion of the Hawaii War Records Depository not previously cataloged at the item level in the existing Hawaii War Records Depository card catalog (not including newspapers, scrapbooks, microfilm, audiovisual materials, memorabilia, and oversize materials, which will be described in future finding aids). In this finding aid, the portion of the collection represented in the card catalog is referred to as the ORIGINAL SUBJECT FILES series. For more information on this portion of the collection, please contact an archivist at [archives@hawaii.edu](mailto:archives@hawaii.edu).

Since the majority of the materials in this series were collected through a large-scale effort to gather any and all materials related to Hawaii's wartime experience from anyone willing to send material to the depository, no formal deeds of gift were signed by individual donors. The series was processed in 2009.

The original cataloging scheme established for the Hawaii War Records Depository consisted of 73 major headings, further subdivided by subheadings where necessary. In many cases, the subheadings represent the creating agencies of the documents in the collection. It can be reasonably assumed that, had the Hawaii War Records Depository continued to operate with a full staff, the materials in the UNCATALOGED SUBJECT FILES series would have been incorporated into the cataloged ORIGINAL SUBJECT FILES series, so subject headings have been assigned according to the subject headings from the ORIGINAL SUBJECT FILES series and used as subseries and sub-subseries titles (see Folder list). This series does not include all of the 73 subseries used in the ORIGINAL SUBJECT FILES series. Rather, it is composed of 45 subseries with more specific sub-subseries where necessary. Subject headings in the ORIGINAL SUBJECT FILES series were assigned numbers to facilitate searching for items in the card catalog. Since the UNCATALOGED SUBJECT FILES does not incorporate all of the subject headings used in the ORIGINAL SUBJECT FILES series, however, subseries and sub-subseries have not been given numbers that correspond with the headings in the ORIGINAL SUBJECT FILES series.

The papers have been organized into series, subseries, and sub-subseries (see Folder list). Subject headings have been assigned by archives staff to give this series a similar arrangement to

the cataloged portion of the collection, but materials were not originally boxed or foldered according to subject heading. Due to the size of the series, folders have not been physically rearranged to reflect the new series arrangement, and subseries and sub-subseries are frequently spread among several boxes.

The materials in this series cover a wide range of subjects. Some subjects are represented more extensively than others. For a complete list of the subject headings used in the processing of this series, please see the series description below. For a more complete account of the materials, users should consult the series' folder list. Related materials can be found in the ORIGINAL SUBJECT FILES series, using the same subject headings.

The material was largely in good condition. Many paper clips, staples, and rubber bands had caused minor damage and were removed, but (due to the size of the collection) not all staples and paper clips have been removed. Similarly, a portion of the newspaper clippings present in this series was photocopied for retention, but newsprint is still present in the series. Where possible, the presence of newsprint has been noted in the series' folder list. When discovered, photographs were moved from this series to the AUDIOVISUAL MATERIALS series, and separation records were created. Select published materials from the series were transferred to the Hawaiian Collection in Hamilton Library at the University of Hawaii, but not all published materials have been removed. Most notably, the series still contains volumes of the federal hearings and investigation of the attack on Pearl Harbor from 1945 and 1946 as well as numerous hearings regarding statehood for Hawaii.

Occasionally, duplicate materials were sent to the Depository from different sources, and due to the size and breadth of the collection, no sustained effort has been made to remove such duplication. Duplicate copies of newspapers and form letters were discarded, but it is possible that further duplicates of these materials exist in other series of the collection, particularly the ORIGINAL SUBJECT FILES series.

All of the papers are open for research.

For other research related to Hawaii's role in World War II and the war's effect on the territory, please consult the University of Hawaii Library's online catalog. See also the cataloged portion of the Hawaii War Records Depository, accessible via card catalog in the Moir Reading Room.

## Series Descriptions for UNCATALOGED SUBJECT FILES Series

**UNCATALOGED SUBJECT FILES, 1939-1994, bulk 1941-1946** – 63.50 linear feet (28 record center boxes, 9 document cases, 12 card files, 15 oversize boxes of various sizes)

### **Agriculture** –14 folders

This subseries is further divided into three sub-subseries that are also present in the ORIGINAL SUBJECT FILES series.

**General farming and miscellaneous** (2 folders) includes radio program scripts, published material related to Hawaii farmers, and other miscellaneous material.

**Sugar industry** (11 folders) is comprised of the foldered contents of a statistics binder of the Hawaii Sugar Planters' Association as well as the Association's Emergency Food Production Plan compiled by the Diversified Crops Committee.

**Hawaii Agricultural Experiment Station** (1 folder) contains recommendations for home food storage for emergency conditions.

### **Armed Forces** –51 folders, 3 bound volumes, 2 card files

This subseries is further divided into five sub-subseries.

**Armed Forces, General** (2 card files and 2 folders) contains two 3x5 card files listing wounded and interned soldiers from Hawaii, one folder of newspaper clippings from 1944-1945 related to soldiers from Hawaii, and a folder containing a 1955 Bulletin of the Hawaii Branch of the Armed Forces Writers' League.

**Army** (32 folders) is by far the largest sub-subseries of the five. The 32 folders within this subject include publications specific to the Army in Hawaii ("Ruff Draft"), in the Pacific ("The Yank"), or in the country ("Army Times"); rosters; histories and materials related to specific units; correspondence; materials related to the Army Institute at the University of Hawaii; a folder of information related to the Unit Jungle Training Center; the 1945 inaugural address of Lt. Gen. Robert C. Richardson; and a bound government publication from 1941 titled "Port & Terminal Facilities at the Ports of the Territory of Hawaii."

**Navy** (8 folders) consists primarily of publications but also contains a 1945 report on the US Navy Military Government of the Marshall Islands; a program from the 1943 presentation of the Flag of Hawaii to the Hall of Flags in the Pearl Harbor Navy Yard; and a folder of general war materials.

**Marine Corps** (3 bound volumes) consists of two bound copies of "Leatherneck," a periodical for marines in the Pacific as well as a 1946 publication titled *The 4th Marine Division in World War II*.

**Air Force** (9 folders) contains issues of "Brief," the magazine published for the Seventh Air Force of Honolulu from 1943-1945.

### **Biography** –6 folders

Subseries contains research and drafts of a brief biography of Charles R. Hemenway, member of the University of Hawaii Board of Regents from 1910 to 1940 known for his work on behalf of Japanese Americans, by Ted Tsukiyama, veteran of the 442<sup>nd</sup> Regimental Combat Team and Military Intelligence Service, written between 1992 and 1994.

**Blackouts** –2 folders

Subseries contains two copies of a handbill announcing an air raid test dated 1941 May 20.

**Camouflage** –1 folder

Subseries contains a single issue of the *Honolulu Advertiser* dated Christmas 1943.

**Casualties** –92 folders, 2 bound volumes, 1 card file

Subseries contains published volumes one and two of the Navy's *Combat Connected Naval Casualties World War II by States* from 1946; a 1950 note from Gwenfread Allen regarding casualties of 1941 December 7; various casualty lists; tallies of the missing and mutilated as reported by the *Honolulu Advertiser & Star-Bulletin* from 1939; and person-by-person casualty files for non-residents of Hawaii, mistaken casualties, merchant marines, and other casualties not eligible for inclusion in the memorial volume for Hawaii's war dead, *In Freedom's Cause*. Photographs originally present among these files have been separated to the AUDIOVISUAL MATERIALS series. Related material can be found in the **In Freedom's Cause** subseries of the ADMINISTRATIVE FILES series as well as in the extensive **Casualties** subseries of the ORIGINAL SUBJECT FILES series.

**Civic and Fraternal Organizations – Chamber of Commerce, Honolulu** –1 folder

This subseries contains a single folder of Chamber of Commerce materials dated 1945 April 11 to 1945 June 27.

**Civilian Defense (OCD)** –12 folders

This subseries is further divided into four sub-subseries.

**Civilian Defense, General** (1 folder) contains primarily published material from the Federal Civil Defense Administration dated 1951 as well as a program from a rally of the Oahu Citizens Committee for Home Defense from June 1941.

**Office of Civilian Defense** (7 folders) includes one folder from the Casualty Information Service which includes miscellaneous correspondence, forms, and two armbands; a statement of agreement with respect to civilian war assistance; leaflets and pamphlets on a variety of subjects including fire safety and air raid preparedness; and handbooks for neighborhood leaders from 1943.

**Office of Civilian Defense – Directive No. 116, Preservation of OCD Records** (1 folder) contains a single folder of material from July 1944 regarding the Office of Civilian Defense's participation in the Department of Interior War Records Project.

**Office of Civilian Defense – Warden's Division** (3 folders) includes air raid warden handbooks and incident report pads.

**Communication Services** –6 folders

This subseries is further divided into two sub-subseries according to the original subject headings assigned to the collection.

**Telegraph and Radio** (5 folders), includes the report: "Japan's Advanced National Defense State: As Achieved in 1942 and Revealed by Radio Tokyo" by analyst Loraine E. Kuck.

**Telephone** (1 folder) consists of the 1942 Oahu telephone directory.

**Defense Preparations (begun before Dec. 7, 1941) –3 folders**

This subseries has been further divided into two sub-subseries.

**Defense Preparations (begun before Dec. 7, 1941), General** (1 folder) contains a report from March 1941 titled “Outline of Plan for Protective Measures for Civilian Population of Oahu in Case of Bombardment.”

**Major Disaster Council, City and County of Honolulu** (2 folders) contains miscellaneous material originating from the office of the coordinator of the Major Disaster Council in Honolulu, dated primarily between May and December of 1941.

**Defense Volunteer Organizations (of military character) –106 folders, 19x15 flat box**

This subseries consists of three sub-subseries.

**Hawaiian Air Depot Volunteer Corps** (57 folders) contains materials including orders, correspondence, drill schedules, monthly strength returns, bulletins, minutes, quarterly and guard rosters, memoranda, guard journals, anniversary celebration materials, plot plans, and 25 folders of physical examination reports and records of service for individual soldiers (arranged alphabetically). The material dates predominantly from 1942 to 1945.

**Maui Volunteers** (48 folders, 19x15 flat box) contains a variety of materials donated to the collection by John Moir, lieutenant colonel of the Maui Volunteers. Materials include those produced by Moir and those received by him in his capacity as lieutenant colonel of the Maui Volunteers. They include newspaper clippings; correspondence; pamphlets; reports; memoranda; battalion journals; materials from shooting matches (including one contested rifle match on 1945 February 24); mobilization reports; orders; rosters; equipment lists; and training documentation. The materials range in date from 1941 to 1946. The large 19x15 flat box contains a special edition of the *Maui News* from 1943 devoted entirely to the Maui Volunteers.

**Women Accepted for Volunteer Emergency Service (WAVES)** (1 folder) consists of a single undated publication titled “Waves in Hawaii Nei,” which is composed primarily of photographs.

**Demobilization and Veterans –2 folders**

This subseries has been further subdivided into two sub-subseries.

**Demobilization and Veterans, General** (1 folder) contains a 1949 publication titled “Manual for Accredited Representatives and Service Officers of the American Legion” and a 1951 booklet produced by the 442<sup>nd</sup> Veterans Club of Hawaii titled “Operation Cemetery.”

**American Veterans Committee** (1 folder) consists of the first anniversary publication of the American Veterans Committee, published in 1947.

**Descriptions & Accounts of Life in Hawaii –3 folders**

This subseries includes newspaper clippings from an April 1942 *Honolulu Star-Bulletin* series titled “Taking Stock of Hawaii” as well as miscellaneous newspaper clippings from 1941 and 1942 related to life in Hawaii during the war (including the entire issue of the *Honolulu Advertiser* from 1941 December 9). The subseries also contains an essay written by Mildred Otake (age 14) recalling the events of December 7, 1941.

**Education – University of Hawaii** –24 folders and 3 card files

This subseries consists of 23 folders of clippings and releases from the university's Office of Publications and Publicity, dated from 1940 to 1944. The subseries also contains a questionnaire on rumor and morale in wartime Hawaii prepared by Professor Charles A Moore of the university's Department of Philosophy and three 3x5 card files with alphabetical entries for individual soldiers associated with the university.

**Evacuation** –6 folders

The bulk of the material in this subseries was created between 1942 and 1943. The subseries has been further divided into two sub-subseries:

**From Territory** (2 folders) contains two copies of a 1943 report by Frank Midkiff, director of the Evacuation Division of the Office of Civilian Defense, titled "Summary of Work & Plans for Evacuation in Hawaii." The report outlines plans for civilian evacuation from the territory, with particular focus on the city of Honolulu.

**Local (from danger zones)** (4 folders) contains materials related to evacuation from specific areas of the territory. Two folders contain miscellaneous material related to the evacuation of the city of Honolulu as a whole, including evacuation plans and correspondence, and materials describing city congestion and likely fire hazards to aid the evacuation effort. One folder contains material pertaining to evacuation shelters at Kalihi, primarily correspondence regarding use of the camp by various parties. The fifth folder contains miscellaneous materials from the Major Disaster Council concerning evacuation planning on Maui. Although the majority of this folder's contents concern the island of Maui, the folder also contains some materials regarding evacuation plans on Oahu.

**Food Production and Control** –4 folders

This subseries has been further subdivided into two sub-subseries:

**Victory Gardens** (1 folder) contains a short newspaper clipping and a list of photographic print numbers (possibly corresponding to victory garden prints in the AUDIOVISUAL MATERIALS series) from Dr. Fred Armstrong of the University of Hawaii's Victory Garden Committee.

**Famine Emergency Committee** (3 folders) contains a report of the committee and newspaper clippings from the *Honolulu Advertiser* and *Honolulu Star-Bulletin* published between March and August of 1946.

**Government, Federal** –178 folders

This subseries consists of materials from the offices of the federal government and pertaining to either Hawaii in particular or the nation as a whole during wartime. The materials have been divided into five sub-subseries:

**Government, Federal, General** (1 folder) contains a single executive order (Executive Order 9240) regarding overtime war compensation.

**Office of Emergency Management (OEM)** (172 folders) represents the bulk of the material in this subseries. This sub-subseries contains orders from a number of offices established under the Office of Emergency Management produced primarily between 1943 and 1947. The War Production Board was established under the Office of Emergency Management in 1942 and directed federal war procurement and production

programs. It was succeeded by the Civilian Production Administration in 1945-1946. The Civilian Production Administration was liquidated by the Department of Commerce in 1947. The Department of Commerce went on to establish the National Production Authority in 1950. The National Production Authority, like the War Production Board, promoted production of materials for military defense. Although the OEM was abolished by 1944, a decision was made to keep all of the materials connected to the original War Production Board in this sub-subseries since the same individual, who seems to have been connected with all three organizations, donated all but 36 of the folders in this sub-subseries to the collection. While an effort has been made to eliminate duplicates within the sub-subseries, many of the orders represent amendments to or revocations of previous orders, so orders with the same identification number often appear multiple times in this section of the collection.

**Office of War Information (OWI)** (1 folder) contains a single publication of the Office of War Information from August 1943 titled "A Call to Action - How Industry Can Cooperate in the 'Food Fights for Freedom' Program." The OWI was established under the OEM in 1942 and abolished in 1945.

**Federal Security Agency** (3 folders) contains materials compiled for the Federal Security Agency by Robert W. Beasley, Territorial Coordinator, regarding rules and amendments to rules of the Hawaii Defense Acts between 1943 and 1945 as well as one folder containing Internal Security Orders for Honolulu from 1945.

**War Labor Board** (1 folder) contains a single report from August 29, 1944: Federal Register Title 29 - Labor Chapter VI National War Labor Board Part 803 - General Orders: Increase in Wages & Salaries in Hawaii.

### **Government, Territorial** –39 folders, 26 bound volumes

This subseries contains materials originating from and regarding the territorial government during wartime. The subseries has been divided into 9 sub-subseries:

**Government, Territorial, General** (4 folders) contains a series of newspaper clippings from the *Honolulu Star-Bulletin* titled "Taking Stock of Hawaii: A Series of Articles on Changes in Government and Business since December 7, and Their Effect of the People and Business." The series was published between April 6 and May 6, 1942. This sub-subseries also contains a radio address by Samuel W. King, the congressional delegate from Hawaii, from January 2, 1942 and two folders pertaining to foreign funds control: a document titled "Public Documents Relating To Foreign Funds Control Issued by the Office of the Governor of Hawaii" from March 1, 1944 and a series of general licenses issued by the governor and the secretary of the treasury from 1942 to 1945.

**Legislature and Laws** (1 folder) contains an act enacted by the legislature of the territory and introduced by William Nobriga, representative of the first district, on April 3, 1945 regarding wells and the ownership, control, and use of ground waters of Oahu.

**Executive Departments, Boards and Commissions** (9 folders) contains materials from a variety of departments within the territorial government. Several folders contain general historical outlines or descriptions of wartime activities of the following bureaus and departments: Central Identification Bureau (compiled 1943 June 11), Board of Health (compiled 1944 August 1), Department of Institutions (covering 1941 to 1944), and the Department of Public Works (covering 1941 December 7 to 1944 June 30). Two folders contain material from the Bureau of Conveyances: one report titled "Brief Comparison of

Business for the Months of January-December from 1936-1956, inclusive" and one titled "Land Value Transferred by Islands, June 1961- January 1963." The sub-subseries also contains a publication by the Equal Rights Commission titled "Directory of War Service Groups & County Officers from Hawaii, Equal Rights Commission, October 1942."

**Courts** (1 folder) contains a single folder of miscellaneous material regarding the judiciary under state constitution.

**Hawaii Defense Act (rules, etc.)** (1 folder) includes one folder of the Hawaii Defense Act Rules Number 1 through 57. The rules range in date from 1941 December 7 to 1943 April 15. Related material can also be found in the **Federal Security Agency** sub-subseries of the **Government, Federal** subseries.

**Martial Law** (2 folders) contains one folder containing an act introduced on 1941 September 15 by Senator William H. Heen of Honolulu declaring a public emergency in the territory of Hawaii as well as a folder of administrative and functional charts depicting the governance structure of Hawaii under martial law from 1942 September.

**Office of the Military Governor (OMG)** (20 folders) includes 5 folders of general orders from the military governor from 1941 December 7 to 1944 October 24. The sub-subseries also contains 1 folder containing sections from the *Honolulu Advertiser* and *Honolulu Star-Bulletin* with a publication of the Office of Internal Security that includes Executive Order 9489 of the President of the United States; a letter of the Secretary of War; Public Proclamation Number One and security orders. The papers date from 1944 October 24 and 25. Six folders labeled War Data contain general orders number 1 through 181 from the military governor's office; amendments to general orders from the military governor's office from 1943 to 1945; miscellaneous materials from the representative of the military governor in Hilo, Hawaii; newspaper clippings of general orders from the military governor's office printed in the *Honolulu Advertiser* and *Honolulu Star-Bulletin*; and a small folder of general materials regarding the end of martial law in Hawaii. The final portion of the sub-subseries consists of six folders of material from the Office of Defense Health and Welfare from 1941 to 1942. The folders include material related to family welfare and national defense; news releases; proclamations by the military governor; rules of the Hawaii Defense Act; general rules of foreign exchange; a 1941 rent control ordinance; material concerning Japanese aliens; and a collection of newspaper clippings titled "What to do in a war community."

**Office of Internal Security, successor to OMG** (1 folder) contains a single publication of the Office of Internal Security from 1944 October that includes Executive Order 9489 of the President of the United States; a letter of the Secretary of War; Public Proclamation Number One and security orders.

**Statehood Movement** (26 bound volumes) contains bound volumes and publications of the statehood hearings and reports on the administration of Hawaii in the United States Senate and House of Representatives. The material was published between 1933 and 1959.

### **Government, Local** –32 folders

This subseries contains material related to local governments on individual islands or, in the case of Honolulu, individual cities or counties. It has been divided into three sub-subseries:

**Honolulu, City and county** (21 folders) contains a directory of organized recreation on Oahu prepared by the Recreation Commission of the City and County of Honolulu in

1942 December as well as a report from the Recreation Commission for 1942 and undated meeting minutes from the Recreation Commission. The sub-subseries also includes 17 folders of material from the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of Honolulu. Materials include resolutions from 1942 and 1943; special legislative committee reports from 1945 and 1947; and lists of communications from 1944 to 1947. The final portion of the sub-subseries contains a brief history of the Honolulu Police Reserves from 1941 to 1951.

**Kauai** (1 folder) includes a single folder of district regulations from the headquarters of Kauai District in Kalaheo, Kauai from 1942 and 1943.

**Maui** (10 folders) contains miscellaneous material from the headquarters of Maui District and the Maui Major Disaster Council as well as several folders of material related to the Maui Provisional Police from 1941 to 1942.

### **Hospitals** –3 folders

This subseries contains 3 folders of material related to hospitals and health during the war. 2 folders concern Queen's Hospital in Honolulu – a folder of correspondence of hospital coordinator Carl Flath from 1948 January and a folder containing the hospital's war casualties plan from 1944. The final folder in the subseries contains miscellaneous materials from approximately 1944 to 1947 including articles, pamphlets, and correspondence regarding the birth rate.

### **Internment** –1 folder

This subseries contains a single folder of community analysis reports from the War Relocation Authority from 1945 April 4 and 1946 June 30.

### **Labor** –8 folders, 3 card files

This subseries consists of material related to labor during the war and has been divided into five sub-subseries:

**Labor, General** (2 folders, three 8x5 card files) contains 3 card files of registration cards for the Wednesday War Work Program, a program to allow students from the University of Hawaii to work for the war effort, and a folder of miscellaneous materials related to the Wednesday War Work Program in 1943. The sub-subseries also includes a folder of meeting minutes of the Labor Advisory Council from 1942 November to 1944 March.

**School Children** (1 folder) consists of a single folder of blank surveys distributed by the Department of Public Instruction regarding schools' wartime activities.

**Unions** (1 folder) consists of a statement of the Dairy Workers Union of Hawaii before an arbitration committee in 1946 July.

**War Manpower Commission (WMC)** (2 folders) contains miscellaneous materials from the War Manpower Commission from 1942 to 1945.

**Work to Win Committee, Governor's** (2 folders) contains reports, newsletters, and communiqués from the Governor's Work to Win Program in 1943 and 1944.

### **Maui and Molokai and Lanai** –1 folder

This subseries consists of a single folder of material from the Maui Division of Public Welfare.

### **Medical Service - Honolulu Peacetime Blood-Plasma Bank** –1 folder

This subseries contains a single folder containing a letter soliciting the donation of blood to the Honolulu Blood Plasma Bank on 1945 February 1.

### **Military and Naval Operations** –9 folders, bound volumes

This subseries has been divided into three sub-subseries:

**Military and Naval Operations, General** (1 folder) contains photographs of an undated military operation in Manila, Philippines.

**Pearl Harbor Attack, Dec. 7, 1941** (7 folders, bound volumes) contains bound volumes of the 1945 Pearl Harbor Attack Hearings before the Joint Committee on the Investigation of the Pearl Harbor Attack (parts 1 to 39) and the 1946 Investigations of the Pearl Harbor Attack by both the Senate and Congress of the United States. The sub-subseries also includes the report of the Army Pearl Harbor Board of 1945 August 29; a chart from the Pearl Harbor attack hearings outlining communist activities in Hawaii; newspaper clippings related to the attack; the report of the Navy Court of Inquiry on the attack; a statement regarding the attack by the Secretary of War from 1944 December 1; and *U.S. News* clippings from 1945 September 1 containing full text of the official reports on the attack.

**V-E and V-J Day** (1 folder) contains a special extra edition of the *Honolulu Star Bulletin* from 1945 May 7 with the headline “Germans Quit!: Unconditional surrender at Eisenhower's Headquarters.”

### **Military and Naval Participation** –25 folders, 11x14 drop-front box

Although this subseries is composed of two sub-subseries, the bulk of this subseries contains materials regarding the 442<sup>nd</sup> Infantry Regiment and 100<sup>th</sup> Infantry Battalion. Both units were primarily composed of Japanese American soldiers from Hawaii. The 100<sup>th</sup> Infantry Battalion was formed in 1942 of Japanese American soldiers from the 298th and 299th Infantry Regiments of the Hawaii National Guard. The 442<sup>nd</sup> Infantry Regiment was formed in 1943 as a Japanese American combat unit. Eventually, in 1944, the 100<sup>th</sup> Infantry Battalion became a part of the 442<sup>nd</sup>. Further information on the role of Americans of Japanese Ancestry in the war can be found in the **Americans of Japanese Ancestry** sub-subseries within the **Racial Groups** subseries. Researchers can also find more information on the 442<sup>nd</sup> Infantry Regiment and 100<sup>th</sup> Infantry Battalion at the University of Hawaii archives in the [Japanese American Veterans Collection](#).

**442nd Infantry Regiment & 100th Infantry Battalion** (24 folders, 11x14 drop-front box) includes correspondence of Spark Matsunaga, former United States Senator and veteran of the 100<sup>th</sup> Infantry Battalion, regarding a speaking tour as well as a copy of a 1950 speech Matsunaga gave to the Senate Committee on Interior & Insular Affairs. The sub-subseries also contains several folders of press releases about the units, newspaper clippings, and poetry written by soldiers submitted for publication as well as publications by and about members of the 100<sup>th</sup> and the 442<sup>nd</sup>. There are also several folders that pertain to a written history of the 100<sup>th</sup> as well as a citation of the unit. The sub-subseries also includes operational, patrol, and other miscellaneous reports (mostly from the 100<sup>th</sup>). The sub-subseries also contains several folders of material used in preparation of Thomas D. Murphy's book about the 100<sup>th</sup> Infantry Battalion, *Ambassadors in Arms*, published by the University of Hawaii Press in 1954. The sub-subseries also contains brief

biographical sketches of soldiers in the 100<sup>th</sup> Battalion, 1942 materials from the War Department regarding the presence of Americans of Japanese Ancestry in the military, and a publication of the Information Education Section of the MTOUSA titled "442nd Combat Team, 1943-1945." Finally, the sub-subseries contains a diary of Masiachi Goto, a 100th Infantry Battalion Soldier, kept between 1940 December 9 and 1945 August 16 and several sketchbooks kept by Yoshio Takemoto of 100th Infantry Battalion depicting scenes of the unit's training in the United States as well as combat in Europe.

**Miscellaneous** (1 folder) contains a single German publication of an address by Joseph Goebbels from 1943 February 18.

### **Morale** –17 folders

This subseries has been divided into two sub-subseries:

**Morale, General** (16 folders) contains questionnaires from the *Honolulu Star Bulletin* about public morale regarding the wartime curfew in place in Honolulu. The questionnaires were completed by subscribers and returned to the *Star Bulletin*.

Completed questionnaires are grouped into four main categories: those that favor lifting the curfew, those that prefer an 11:00pm curfew, those favoring a 12:00am curfew, and those that prefer to refrain from changing the curfew.

**Rumors** (1 folder) contains several letters expressing disagreement with a report from 1943 May titled "Statements Regarding Rumors of Sabotage in Hawaii" by Galen Fisher of the Committee on American Principles and Fair Play.

### **Newspapers and Periodicals** –41 folders, four 11x17 flat boxes, 17x20 flat box, and 11x14 drop-front box

This subseries contains newspapers and periodicals from a variety of sources (both local and national) and on a variety of subjects. Newspapers and periodicals can also be found throughout the collection under more specific subject headings. Most notably, there are several periodicals related to the armed forces in the **Armed Forces** subseries of both the UNCATALOGED SUBJECT FILES series and the ORIGINAL SUBJECT FILES series. In the ORIGINAL SUBJECT FILES series, school publications are filed under names of schools in the **Education** subseries. Newspapers can also be found in the NEWSPAPERS & CLIPPINGS series. The publications represented in this subseries are:

- Army & Navy Register, 1942-1946
- ArPac News, 1953-1957
- Asia, 1942
- Bulletins from Britain, 1941-1942
- The Cadence, 1944-1945
- The Caducean, 1965
- Collier's, 1941, 1942
- Digest of Philippine Progress, 1945, 1946
- Garden Island War Daily, 1941-1942
- Hawaii Lightning News, 1965-1966
- Industrial Relations Digest, 1945
- Kaala Club Gas Ration, 1942
- Ka Moi, 1942-1945
- Ka Nani O Pioneer, 1957

Labor & Transportation Messenger, 1942  
Life, 1941, 1942  
Parade, 1956  
Pearl Harbor Bulletin, 1942, 1943  
Pearl Harbor Shipyard Log, 1947-1948, 1953-1955  
Philippines Commonwealth, 1941  
Puka Puka Parade, 1960  
Red Hill Weekly, 1941-1943  
Saturday Evening Post, 1942  
Time, 1943-1945  
Victory, undated  
Wagayway, 1941-1946  
Wheeler Windsock, 1941

For more information regarding the specific dates of these publications that are present in the subseries, please see the collection's folder list.

**Personal Narratives, Diaries, Letters** –1 folder, 8.5x10.5 flat box

This subseries contains personal narratives, diaries, and letters that do not fit into any of the more specific headings. The subseries consists of one folder of war songs, poems, and slogans from 1944 by author Elisha Rosanova and two diaries of Manuel Lemes documenting his wartime experience from 1941 December 7 to 1945 September 1.

**Post-War Planning** –1 folder

This subseries consists of a single folder of material from the Chamber of Commerce of Honolulu's Post-War Agricultural Committee, dated 1943 to 1945.

**Price Control and Rationing** –50 folders, 8 books, 1 card file

This subseries has been further subdivided into three sub-subseries:

**Gasoline** (1 folder) contains samples of gas rationing documentation made out to Mabel Fraser of Honolulu.

**Office of Price Administration** (48 folders, 8 books, 4x6 card file) represents the largest portion of the sub-subseries and contains materials dated between 1942 and 1946. The Office of Price Administration was established within the Office of Emergency Management in 1941 and abolished in 1947. The role of the organization was to stabilize prices and rents by establishing maximum prices for commodities. The majority of the material in this sub-subseries concerns the stabilization of grocery prices. The sub-subseries contains materials including shipping lists, statutes, releases, price lists and adjustments, studies, surveys, reports, posters listing grocery prices, regulations, a grocer's price book, a grocery price list card file, a variety of official opinions and decisions issued by the OPA compiled into post books, a small file of material on the black market, and worksheets used to compile OPA price bulletins. The sub-subseries also contains several interviews conducted by Ruby Norris, price analyst, with various businesses between 1943 and 1944.

**Office of Price Stabilization** (1 folder) contains ceiling price regulations, various civil defense publications, and a stenographer's notebook from 1951. The Office of Price

Stabilization was established in 1951 and served a similar purpose to the Office of Price Administration, but obtained voluntary compliance with its efforts to stabilize prices.

**Propaganda** –8 folders

This subseries contains a variety of published propaganda materials including handbills, leaflets, and stickers from the “Speak American” Campaign; leaflets, a sticker, and a postcard urging readers to “Serve in Silence;” leaflets about the value of an American service pin; a pamphlet titled “Japanese Driven from Guadalcanal and Poster: In the Embrace of the Monster;” a leaflet distributed as part of a campaign to recruit Americans of Japanese Ancestry titled “Serve Your Flag;” and several miscellaneous propaganda booklets. Additional propaganda materials can be found in the OVERSIZE MATERIALS series.

**Public Utilities - Hawaiian Electric Company** –1 folder

This subseries consists of a single file of undated meal planning guides from the Hawaiian Electric Company’s Health for Victory Club.

**Racial Groups** –7 folders

This subseries consists of materials related to the various racial groups present in Hawaii during the war and has been subdivided into three sub-subseries. Publications produced by and for specific racial groups can be found in the **Newspapers and Publications** subseries, and material related to the military service of Americans of Japanese Ancestry can be found in the **442nd Infantry Regiment & 100th Infantry Battalion** sub-subseries of the **Military and Naval Participation** subseries. Albums and clippings scrapbooks related to specific racial groups can be found in the SCRAPBOOKS series.

**Chinese** (1 folder) contains an uncompleted data sheet used in compiling military records of the Chinese in Hawaii during the war.

**Filipinos** (2 folders) contains issues of “Filamerican Outlook” from 1941 January and November as well as a folder including Fourth of July remarks from 1950 made by General Carlos P. Romulo, Secretary of Foreign Affairs of the Philippines, about the Filipino Unknown Soldier from the Battle of Bataan.

**Japanese** (1 folder) consists of a single document titled “Evacuation: Selected bibliography on the Japanese evacuation.”

**Americans of Japanese Ancestry** (3 folders) contains a folder of rosters of American war volunteers of Japanese ancestry; a folder of undated newspaper clippings; and an undated document titled “American-Japanese American Relations in the Territory of Hawaii.”

**Radio Stations, Scripts, etc.** –1 folder; 1 book

This subseries contains one folder of radio scripts of Fulton Lewis from 1945 October to November concerning the Pearl Harbor attacks and martial law in Hawaii and a 1945 publication of the Columbia Broadcasting System titled “From Pearl Harbor Into Tokyo: The Story As Told by War Correspondents On the Air.”

**Recreation** –1 folder; 2 card files

According to the subject headings in the ORIGINAL SUBJECT FILES series, this subseries has been divided into two sub-subseries:

**Recreation, General** (2 card files) consists of 114 pocket-size publications called "To Do Today in Honolulu" published between 1944 January 1 and 1946 April 5. The publications, targeted to servicemen in Hawaii, list local recreational events and activities.

**United Service Organizations (USO)** (1 folder) consists of a 1944 report titled "USO in Hawaii, Third Year of War Report."

**Red Cross** –2 folders

This subseries has been divided into two sub-subseries:

**National** (1 folder) contains several booklets published by the Red Cross in 1951.

**Hawaii Chapter** (1 folder) contains a 1947 report titled "War Records of Volunteer Special Services."

**Sabotage and Subversive Activities** –1 folder

This subseries contains an article dated 1969 May 11 from the *Sunday Star-Bulletin and Advertiser* titled "Pearl Harbor Spy." The article is an interview with Ensign Takeo Yoshikawa (formerly of the espionage section of Japan's Naval General Staff) who worked in Honolulu in 1941 under the alias of Tadashi Morimura as vice consul for Japan in Honolulu and passed intelligence to the Japanese in preparation for the Pearl Harbor attack.

**Social Conditions – Juvenile Delinquency** –1 folder

This subseries contains a report on juvenile delinquency in Hawaii given by Arthur W. Powlison at the annual convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union on 1943 September 29.

**Social Welfare and Relief Organizations** –2 folders

This subseries consists of two sub-subseries:

**Social Welfare and Relief Organizations, General** (1 folder) contains undated newspaper clippings regarding neighborhood cooperative units of volunteers (primarily women) that undertake such activities as day care for children, home nursing training, and first aid.

**Territorial Conference of Social Work** (1 folder) consists of a series of reports from the islands of Hawaii, Maui, Molokai, and Kauai titled "New Community Responsibilities During War Time" from 1942 April.

**Transportation – Overseas** –1 folder

This subseries contains a folder of instructions for passengers traveling to Hawaii from mainland from 1944 and 1945.

**War Bonds and Stamps** –21 folders

This subseries contains a variety of material related to the sale and purchase of war bonds and stamps including posters, applications, leaflets, instructions for workers at war bond booths, awards for the purchase of war bonds, correspondence, and miscellaneous published literature encouraging the purchase of bonds. Publications in the subseries include (but are not limited to) material featuring the Squander Bug, a cartoon character created to discourage wasteful spending; materials from the National Small Business Men's Association titled "Shorter War for Billions Less;" leaflets about the post-war financial outlook; and an encouragement to buy war

bonds titled “Kansas Teachers’ View of the War.” Also present in the subseries are war finance bulletins dated from 1943 July to September and a “Schools at War” news bulletin.

**War Memorials** –1 folder

This subseries contains a single volume of compiled newspaper clippings titled “Military Cemeteries & War Memorials.”

**War Relief Organizations – British War Relief Society** –59 folders; two 11x14 drop-front boxes

This subseries contains a variety of material from the British War Relief Society, a national organization established to assist in the British war effort from the American home front, and its Honolulu chapter. The majority of the activity documented in these materials takes place before America’s entrance into the war, primarily between 1939 and 1941. Materials include bank statements, receipts, and other financial documentation; bulletins and circulars both from the national headquarters and the Honolulu branch; correspondence with the national headquarters in New York and with recipients of aid in Britain; ledgers; materials regarding goods purchased with funds raised by the society or gifts sent to Britain by the society (including Christmas packages to children and soldiers; knitted clothing and outerwear; and an ambulance); miscellaneous documents regarding events planned to raise funds for the society; press releases and other publicity; pamphlets; requisition and inventory forms; correspondence with other islands and other relief organizations (including the British Red Cross and American Red Cross); meeting minutes; and memoranda.

**Miscellaneous** –17 folders; 9x12 drop-front box

This subseries has been further subdivided into five sub-subseries:

**General Miscellaneous** (2 folders) contains two folders of miscellaneous materials from a variety of sources including reports, correspondence, newspaper clippings, posters, pamphlets, programs, and mailers.

**Awards (includes: civilian, defense units, letters of appreciation, Army, Navy, etc.)** (3 folders) includes pamphlets from the presentation of three awards: the Secretary of the Navy's War Bond Honor Flag to the Pearl Harbor Navy Yard from 1943 April 3; an Award for Efficiency in War Production to the Pearl Harbor Navy Yard from 1942 September 6; and an Award for Efficiency in War Production to Contractors in the Navy Housing Area from 1942 October 25.

**Publications, National** (5 folders, 9x12 drop-front box) includes miscellaneous national wartime publications in pamphlet and booklet forms including such titles as: *Mammals of the Japanese War Area*; *Languages of the Pacific*; *Guide to the Western Pacific*; *Role of the Navy in Future Warfare*; *A Balance Sheet on Japanese Evacuation*; *Your Victory: History of MidPac War*; *Ships and Aircraft of the US Fleet*; *Bob Hope's own story of his trip abroad*; *Yearbook of the 148<sup>th</sup> General Hospital July 1942-June 1943*; and *The End of the War in the Pacific: Surrender Documents in Facsimile*. The drop-front box contains a bound copy of Oliver Jensen’s *Carrier War*, published by Pocket Books in 1945.

**Publications, Territory of Hawaii** (6 folders) includes miscellaneous wartime publications from the territory of Hawaii in pamphlet and booklet forms including such titles as: *Treatment of Gas Casualties*; *Gas Warfare*; *Hawaii at War*; *History of Hawaii*;

*Food Fights for Freedom; A Door Opens for Christian Science; Information Bulletin for Civilian Employees of US Navy Yard, Pearl Harbor; Diamond Head Song Book - Harbor Defenses of Honolulu; Wanderings from the Line of Duty; Christmas in Hawaii; This is Pearl Harbor;* and a USO report from 1944.

**Relations between Japan and America** (2 folders) contains a newspaper from 1934 March 31 titled "Commodore Perry Number: Commemorating 80th Anniversary of the Treaty of Peace and Amity between America and Japan, 1854-1934" published by the Nippu Jiji of Honolulu and letters and photographs sent to the University of Hawaii from Japan by Hirozo Tone on 1963 May 1 attesting to the true state of the truce between Japan and the Allied Powers after the war.

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