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Robert Luchs Collection

Creator:	Robert Luchs
Dates:	1952-1960
Quantity:	0.25 linear feet
Acquisition:	Original donation was made by an anonymous donor with an addendum donated by Ms. Patricia Luchs.
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Biographical Note

Robert Luchs was born on January 7, 1933. He was an officer in the U.S. Marine Corps, serving during the Korean War. A retired advertising copywriter, Robert Luchs passed away on May 5, 2010.

Scope and Content of the Collection

The Robert Luchs Collection consists of official documents, papers, medals, artwork and photographs pertaining to his service during the Korean War. The collection also represents the personal interests of Robert Luchs in topics such as World War II, model airplanes, traveling, music and military literature.

Arrangement

The collection arrived without a discernable arrangement and was rearranged into series by PMML staff. The collection consists of an original donation and an additional donation that has been separated into an addendum. The original donation consists of three series that include original artwork, correspondence, military documents and photographs.

Original Collection:

Series 1: Creative Output, 1953-1954, Box 1

This series contains two folders with original cartoon drawings in booklet form, cartoon drawings on individual sheets and an example of creative writing.

Series 2: Military Service, 1952-1957, Box 1

This series contains three folders holding correspondence and miscellaneous military documents.

Series 3: Photographs, 1953-1954, Box 1

This series contains one folder with photographs of Robert Luchs during his service in the Korean War, photographs of residential and commercial areas in Seoul, Korea and photographs/postcards of training in Fort Pendleton, CA.

Addendum:

This addendum consists of Box 2, containing four folders. Included in these folders are airplane models, artwork, magazine articles and assorted ephemera.

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Related Collections

Col. Gerald F. Russell, USMC Oral History Collection
Lt. Col. Robert C. Peithman Collection
Franz Altschuler/Henry Altschuler Collection

Bill Corcoran World War II Scrapbook
Robert O. Harder Collection

Separations

Item Number	Description	Date	Location
800077001	Cartridge for M1 rifle, .30 Cal. armor piercing round		
800077002	Cartridge for 7.62 mm Russian rimmed round		
800077003	Dog tags: Luchs, Robert W. with 2 can openers and 2 keys on chain		
800077004	Korean Service Medal in original box		
800077005	Identification bracelet: Robert W. Luchs		
800077006	USMC sergeant collar insignia pin		
800077007	USMC staff sergeant collar insignia pin		
800077008	USMC enlisted collar insignia pin		
800077009	1st Marine Division insignia pin		
800077010	USMC tie clip, bronze in black box		
800077011	USMC tie clip, gold in black box		
800077012	USMC corporal insignia pin		
800077013	Navy Unit Commendation ribbon		
800077014	Rifle Expert Badge		
80077030	Robert Luchs standing outside of Staff NCO mess	April 1953	Photographs Collection
80077031	Robert Luchs standing	n.d.	Photographs Collection
80077032	Street scene, Korean sign painter, Seoul, Korea	April 1954	Photographs Collection
80077033	Street scene, Seoul, Korea	March	Photographs

		1954	Collection
80077034	Street scene, houses, Seoul, Korea	April 1954	Photographs Collection
80077035	Capitol building, Seoul, Korea	n.d.	Photographs Collection
80077036	Soldiers training in field with Artillery , Camp Pendleton, CA	n.d.	Photographs Collection
80077037	Two Soldiers in dirt, Camp Pendleton, CA	n.d.	Photographs Collection
80077038	Large groups of soldiers standing, Camp Pendleton, CA	n.d.	Photographs Collection
80077039	Two soldiers kneeling in open field, Camp Pendleton, CA	n.d.	Photographs Collection
80077040	Three Soldiers training by sandbags and wooden building, Camp Pendleton, CA	n.d.	Photographs Collection
80077041	One soldier lying under barbed wire, Camp Pendleton, CA	n.d.	Photographs Collection
80077042	Soldiers running between logs and climbing rope, Camp Pendleton, CA	n.d.	Photographs Collection
80077043	Two soldiers looking in a hole, Camp Pendleton, CA	n.d.	Photographs Collection
80077044	Group of Soldiers training in open field with artillery, Camp Pendleton, CA	n.d.	Photographs Collection
80077045	Training Activities cover, Camp Pendleton, CA	n.d.	Photographs Collection
80077046	General Views, Camp Pendleton, Oceanside, CA-	n.d.	Photographs Collection
80077047	Main Gate Camp Pendleton, CA	n.d.	Photographs Collection
80077049	Highlights of U.S.M.C. from 1775-1945	n.d.	Photographs Collection
80077050	Marine Corps Exchange Interior	n.d.	Photographs Collection

80077051	Headquarters Marine Base, Camp Pendleton, (24 Area from the Air)	n.d.	Photographs Collection
80077052	Field Problem	n.d.	Photographs Collection
80077053	Color Guards on Parade (11 Area Grounds)	n.d.	Photographs Collection
80077054	Landing Craft Operations	n.d.	Photographs Collection
80077055	General View of Camp Pulgas (Tent Camp #1)	n.d.	Photographs Collection
80077056	Camp San Onofre Gate (Tent Camp #2)	n.d.	Photographs Collection
80077057	Entrance to Camp Telega (Tent Camp #3 1/2)	n.d.	Photographs Collection
80077058	"Key" General Views Camp Pendleton Book #1	n.d.	Photographs Collection

Separated from the addendum collection are sixteen records, fifty books, one reel, two pamphlets and one document.

Key Subjects

This collection is indexed under the following headings in the Library's online catalog. Researchers interested in materials about related topics, persons, or places should search the catalog using these subject headings.

Names

Luchs, Robert

Subjects

Camp Pendleton (Calif.)
 Korean War, 1950-1953
 Korean War, 1950-1953 – Armistices
 Korean War, 1950-1953 -- Art and the war
 Korean War, 1950-1953 -- Caricatures and cartoons
 Korean War, 1950-1953 -- comic books, strips, etc.

Korean War, 1950-1953 -- Humor, caricatures, etc.
Korean War, 1950-1953 -- Songs and music
Military leaves and furlough

Container List

Original Collection

Box	Folder	Item ID #	Title	Dates
1	1		Hand Drawn Comics	May 23, 1954
		800077015	"In The Field"	
	2		Cartoon drawings/creative writing	
		800077016	Cartoon drawing "I Don't Give A Damn..."	May 15, 1953
		800077017	Cartoon drawing "...Haircut..."	May 15, 1953
		800077018	Cartoon drawing "Chugga-Chugga"	June 1953
		800077019	Cartoon drawing "I Told Her I Could!"	August 2, 1953
		800077020	Poem/Song "To The Tune Of Rum And Coca Cola"	n.d.
	3		Correspondence	
		80077021	Letter with armistice newspaper clippings	June 30, 1953
		80077022	Letter with Korean and Japanese currency/envelope	August 26, 1953
	4		Korean Propaganda Leaflet	
		80077023	leaflet authored by "Struggle Committee, Seoul, Korea"	n.d.

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Assorted Military Ephemera

80077024	General Orders card	n.d.
80077025	U.S. Marine Corps Score Book for U.S. Rifle	August 12, 1957
80077026	U.S. Marine Corps paper cutout insignia	n.d.
80077027	Postcard: Tent Camp 1 Camp Pendleton	n.d.
80077028	Instruction Sheet for Personnel Proceeding to Japan on Rest and Recuperation	n.d.
80077029	Manual "German Mine Warfare Equipment"	March 1952

Addendum

Box	Folder	Item ID #	Title	Dates
2	1		Unopened Envelopes of Model Airplanes sent by General Mills to R. Luchs	n.d.
		800077038	WWII Tru-Flite Model Airplanes/Fulmar and Heinkel	n.d.
		800077039	WWII Tru-Flite Model Airplanes/Fulmar and Heinkel	n.d.
		800077040	WWII Tru-Flite Model Airplanes/Fulmar and Heinkel	n.d.
		800077041	WWII Tru-Flite Model Airplanes/Spitfire and Focke-Wulf	n.d.
		800077042	WWII Tru-Flite Model Airplanes/Spitfire and Focke-Wulf	n.d.
		800077043	WWII Tru-Flite Model Airplanes/Hellcat and Nakajima	n.d.

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Sketchbook of Cartoons

800077044 Beverly "Spiral" Sketchbook of cartoon sketches May 23, 1953

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Ephemera/Travels

800077045 postcard of Kobe, Japan n.d.

800077046 piece of envelope with Italian writing November 2, 1956

800077047 photograph of R. Luchs in Paris n.d.

800077048 bookmarker from Art Institute of Chicago-Egyptian mummy n.d.

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Magazine articles-Look, U.S. Marine Corps, True

800077049 U.s. Marine Corps-"Life At Sea" February 13, 1951

800077050 Look mag. "Adolf Hitler-A personal story by William L. Shirer" 1960

800077051 Look mag. "The Insane World of Adolf Hitler" January 6, 1959

800077052 True mag. "Streamlined Firepower" n.d.

800077053 Look mag. "Revolution in the Marine Corps" May 28, 1957