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WAYNE B. ALCORN PAPERS
1935-1949

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HISTORY

Wayne B. Alcorn was a park ranger who served in Yellowstone National Park from 1935 to 1941 and again from 1946 to 1949. He served in World War II during the intervening years. By the end of his tenure in Yellowstone he was a district ranger.

DESCRIPTION

The collection consists of personal papers and ephemera of Wayne B. Alcorn's service as a park ranger in Yellowstone National Park. The records include administrative records, training materials, reports, and publications documenting Alcorn's time as a park ranger in Yellowstone. The administrative records include personal copies of memoranda, monthly and annual reports, incident reports, and correspondence. The training materials include scientific articles and materials including Nature Notes. The publications also relate to the natural landscape of the park. Although much of the material may be found in the official records of Yellowstone or in the Yellowstone Research Library, this collection offers a unique compilation of one employee's activities, training, and experiences and provides insight into the life of a park ranger at a specific time in the park's history. The documentation of the tumultuous time around World War II is especially notable.

PROVENANCE

Gift of Ralph Alcorn, 2019.

AVAILABILITY

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