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Summary Information

Repository: M.E. Grenander Department of Special Collections & Archives  
Title: Ralph Pyle Papers  
ID: apap190  
Date: 1951  
Physical Description: 0.17 cubic ft.  
Physical Location: The materials are located onsite in the department.  
Language of the Material: English .  
Mixed Materials [Collection]: X  
Abstract: This collection consists of photographs of New York Governor Thomas Dewey's visit to Korea in 1951. U.S. Army Staff Sargeant Ralph Pyle took the photographs.

Preferred Citation

Preferred citation for this material is as follows: Identification of specific item, series, box, folder, Ralph Pyle Papers, 1951. M.E. Grenander Department of Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University at Albany, State University of New York (hereafter referred to as the Pyle Papers).

Biographical Sketch

Ralph Reeves Pyle Jr. was born in May 1925 in Ohio. Pyle was drafted into the army during World War II. During his time in the Army, Pyle was stationed in Kentucky, California, and Hawaii. Pyle was trained as an anti-aircraft gunner. After the War, Pyle began learning photography and eventually was asked to use his skill during the Korean War when he was drafted in 1950. Pyle was sent to Korea and placed in the 51st Signal Battalion. During his time there, he photographed mission operations. Pyle took photos of various battles, peace talks, and negotiations, as well as photos of the New York Governor Thomas Dewey's trip to Korea in 1951.
Pyle was discharged from the Army in 1951 and continued his photograph famous people and places. Pyle photographed President Ford and President Reagan, and was inducted into Indiana's Photography Hall of Fame before his death in December 2012.

Scope and Contents

This collection consists of photographs of New York Governor Thomas Dewey's visit to Korea in 1951.

Arrangement of the Collection

The collection is unprocessed and is likely disorganized. Individual items may be difficult to find.

Administrative Information

Publication Statement
M.E. Grenander Department of Special Collections & Archives

Revision Description
Collection level finding aid created by Sheri Samoff 2020

Processing Information
Processed by unprocessed.

Acquisition Information
Ralph Pyle donated his papers to the M.E. Grenander Department of Special Collections in 2004.
Access

Access to this collection is restricted because it is unprocessed. Portions of the collection may contain recent administrative records and/or personally identifiable information. While it is likely that portions of the collection may be viewed, access must be managed by an archivist.

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- Pyle, Ralph, 1925-2012