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## Descriptive Summary

### Unit ID

RG.02.Correspondence

### Unit ID

/repositories/3/resources/676

### Unit Date

1840-1918

### Language

English

### Creator

Smith, Francis H. (Francis Henney), 1812-1890

### Creator

Shipp, Scott, 1839-1917

### Creator

Nichols, E. W. (Edward West), 1858-1927

### Creator

Virginia Military Institute. Office of the Superintendent.

### Extent

2 cubic feet

### Repository

Virginia Military Institute Archives

## Administrative Information

# Scope and Contents

Correspondence, 1840-1918, originating in the Superintendent's office, unrelated to any other records series. Primarily about purchases and business transactions, and miscellaneous file.

## Keywords

Virginia Military Institute—Administration

## Description of Subordinate Components

### **Historical correspondence, Superintendent, Business operations and purchasing**

**Unit ID** /repositories/3/archival\_objects/3945

**Unit Date** 1885-1918

#### **Scope and Contents**

Correspondence, 1885-1918, originating in the Superintendent's office, relating to Institute purchases and business operations.

### **Miscellaneous correspondence**

**Unit ID** /repositories/3/archival\_objects/2846

**Unit Date** 1840-1915

**Creator** Smith, Francis H. (Francis Henney), 1812-1890

**Creator** Shipp, Scott, 1839-1917

**Creator** Nichols, E. W. (Edward West), 1858-1927

**Extent** 1 cubic feet

#### **Scope and Contents**

This box contains incoming and outgoing letters that do not fit in the larger correspondence series for the period, including:

## **Keywords**

Virginia Military Institute—Administration

Virginia Military Institute—History—20th century

Virginia Military Institute—History—19th century

### **Correspondence from United States presidents and other notables**

**Unit ID** /repositories/3/archival\_objects/8004

**Unit Date** 1933-1983

**Extent** 6 Folder

#### **Letter, Franklin D. Roosevelt to Superintendent John Lejeune**

**Unit ID** /repositories/3/archival\_objects/4221

**Unit Date** 1934

**Language** English

**Creator** Roosevelt, Franklin D. (Franklin Delano), 1882-1945

**Extent** 1 items

#### **Scope and Contents**

Typed letter, signed, from President Roosevelt informing VMI Superintendent John Lejeune that VMI's application for Public Works Administration funds was approved on December 29, 1933.

**Keywords**

United States—Public Works Administration

Lejeune, John Archer, 1867-1942

**Dwight D. Eisenhower letters to Superintendents Marshall and Milton**

**Unit ID** /repositories/3/archival\_objects/4217

**Unit Date** 1951 and 1955

**Language** English

**Creator** Eisenhower, Dwight D. (Dwight David), 1890-1969

**Extent** 4 items

**Extent** 1955 letter partially mounted on cardboard and has slight tears lower right below signature.

**Scope and Contents**

1. Typed letter, signed, from General Eisenhower to Superintendent Richard J. Marshall, declining invitation to speak at VMI graduation. Dated November 19, 1951. Includes carbon copy of Marshall's letter of invitation dated November 7.
2. Typed letter, signed, from President Eisenhower to Superintendent William H. Milton, thanking him for the performance of the VMI Glee Club. Dated February 14, 1955.
3. File also contains a copy of a clipping from April 1947, documenting Eisenhower's brief visit to VMI.

**President Harry S. Truman letter to Superintendent Richard J. Marshall**

**Unit ID** /repositories/3/archival\_objects/4216

**Unit Date** 1951-05-14

**Language** English

**Creator** Truman, Harry S., 1884-1972

**Extent** 1 cubic feet1 page TLS

**Scope and Contents**

Typed letter, signed, from President Harry S. Truman to VMI Superintendent Richard J. Marshall, dated May 14, 1951. Discussing the significance of Gen. George C. Marshall on the occasion of the dedication of the George C. Marshall Arch and the celebration of Marshall Day at VMI.

**Keywords**

Virginia Military Institute—Special events

Marshall, George C. (George Catlett), 1880-1959

**Letter, John Glenn to General George R. E. Shell**

**Unit ID** /repositories/3/archival\_objects/4218

**Unit Date** 1962-02-09

**Language** English

**Creator** Glenn, John H., 1921-2016

**Scope and Contents**

Typed letter signed, from astronaut John Glenn to Superintendent Shell, thanking him for a letter. The two were both USMC officers and once stationed together at Quantico. Signature block says "John H. Glenn, jr., Lt. Colonel, USMC, Mercury Astronaut"

**Keywords**

Shell, George R. E., 1908-1996

**Telegram announcing assassination of President Kennedy**

**Unit ID** /repositories/3/archival\_objects/4219

**Unit Date** 1963-11-23

**Language** English

**source** Simpson, George H. (George Herbert)

**Creator** McNamara, Robert S.

**Extent** 1 items

**Scope and Contents**

Telegram sent to VMI Commandant of Cadets Colonel George H. Simpson on November 23, 1963, announcing death of President Kennedy. The telegram was transmitted to various military officials on behalf of the Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara.

**Keywords**

Virginia Military Institute—Cadet life—1960-1969

Kennedy, John F. (John Fitzgerald), 1917-1963

Simpson, George H. (George Herbert)