

# Inventory of the Max R. Decker Diary 1930-1943

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## Overview of the Collection

### Identification:

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### Language of Materials

The papers are in: English

### Abstract:

Six diaries, 1930-1943 (with gaps) of Max R. Decker describing his life during the Great Depression and World War II. Decker is located in Buffalo, Kansas, but he and his brothers hop freight trains traveling through Nebraska, Colorado, Utah, Kansas and Iowa. The diaries also describe the family searching for work and camping at various locations. The family ends up in Gaither, Arkansas. Decker joined Civilian Conservation Camp # 743 in the Ozark National Forest. The final diary describes his days in the 302nd Battalion of Artillery at Fort Meade, Maryland, Camp A. P. Hill, Virginia and Camp McCoy, Wisconsin.

### Creator:

Decker, Max R., 1910-2002Decker, CarlDecker, Ivan arrangement

### Quantity:

0.50

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## Additional Information

### Biographical Note

Max R. Dexter was a long-time railroad worker. His brothers were Carl and Ivan Decker. Max Decker lived in various locales during the Great Depression and World War II including Kansas and Arkansas. Decker joined Civilian Conservation Camp # 743 in the Ozark National Forest. The final diary describes his days in the 302nd Battalion of Artillery at Fort Meade, Maryland, Camp A. P. Hill, Virginia and Camp McCoy, Wisconsin. Further information about this individual or organization may be available in the Special Collections Research Center Wiki: <a href="http://scrc.swem.wm.edu/wiki/index.php/Max R. Decker">http://scrc.swem.wm.edu/wiki/index.php/Max R. Decker</a>.

## Scope and Contents

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