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Title: Marion Skeen Coleman Peck Papers

Dates: 1920-1985 (Bulk 1943-1965)

Creator: Marion Skeen Coleman Peck

Repository: Albert Gore Research Center, Middle Tennessee State University, Murfreesboro, TN 37132, (615) 898-2632

Abstract: Marion Skeen Coleman Peck (1913-1992) was a journalist and public relations officer, working both stateside and overseas during and immediately following World War II. She later worked as Public Relations Director of the Tennessee Department of Mental Health and as a speech writer for Tennessee governors. The Marion Skeen Coleman Peck Papers include newspaper articles, notes, typescripts, photographs, correspondence, and creative writings. This collection is valuable for research on a variety of topics related to World War II, including news coverage and war correspondents, the 1943 Tennessee Maneuvers, and post-war Germany, as well as sources on women's roles in state, local, and international journalism, combat reporting, Tennessee politics, and other subjects.

Physical Description: 12 boxes of paper materials, 5 scrapbook boxes, photographs.

Language(s): English (bulk), German, French, Arabic

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Restrictions on Access: None

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Historical Note:

Zula Marion Skeen Coleman Peck was born in 1913 in Little Rock, Arkansas. After moving around the southeast, she finally settled in Chattanooga, Tennessee, and began working to fulfill her dreams of becoming a journalist. As a secretary at the Cadek Music Conservatory, Peck started a weekly news bulletin. The *Chattanooga Times* quickly hired her to write for the *Evening Times* society page. Her knack for writing eventually earned her a spot at the front lines of the U.S. Army maneuvers in Louisiana in 1941. She was the first woman to gain such a role and became known for her ability to report the news with feeling and emotion. Her reputation established in the Louisiana maneuvers, the Associated Press Nashville Bureau hired Peck as a staff writer and sent her to cover the Tennessee maneuvers in 1943. Her experience at the frontlines gave her the ability to campaign actively for a more fulfilling position overseas.

In 1944, Marion S. Coleman boarded a ship to London for her new job at the Office of War Information. Peck selected and wrote captions on photographs for articles published by the AP. She wrote many of her captions on a variety of photographs depicting Nazi “war atrocities,” including the liberation of concentration camps across Europe. After the war, Peck remained in Europe, gaining a position with the Public Relations department of the Office of Military Government, United States (OMGUS) in Berlin.

As the Cold War began, OMGUS served as the American government in Berlin, which was in the middle of the new rivalry between the United States and the Soviet Union. In an unprecedented job for a woman to hold, Peck earned \$9,000 a year, roughly the equivalent of a brigadier general in the military. The job required Peck to interact with German citizens trying to adjust to the aftermath of the war and the following occupation. This experience was eye-opening for Peck, who developed relationships with some of the citizens she interacted with on a daily basis. Peck’s previous experience with writing compassionate newspaper articles enabled her to perform the rigorous and emotional tasks required in her job.

In 1953 Peck returned to Tennessee and to the *Chattanooga Times*. She became a social agency reporter, covering the civil rights movement and court cases with the same style she employed throughout her career. In the 1950s and 1960s Peck’s journalism focused on social movements and injustices. She wrote articles that focused on issues such as prison reform and the plight of handicapped children. In 1962 she wrote an article on the architectural barriers to the handicapped, which earned her a place on the Governor’s Committee on Employment of the Handicapped and the President’s Committee on Employment of the Handicapped.

In 1965 Peck became the director of the public relations division for the Tennessee Department of Mental Health. In the 1970s, Peck served as a speechwriter for Tennessee governors Ellington, Dunn, and Blanton. She retired in 1979 and enjoyed the company of her family and grandchildren until her death in 1992.

Scope and Content:

The Marion Skeen Coleman Peck Papers collection is comprised of writings, articles, clippings, correspondence, notes, and ephemera related to Peck’s lengthy career in journalism, public relations, and political writing. The bulk of the collection covers Peck’s tenure as a “war correspondent” at the Tennessee Maneuvers (1943), as a Public Relations officer in Germany

(1946-1953), and as a reporter for the Chattanooga Times (1953-1965). The Peck Papers also include several scrapbooks, photographs, and museum items which are housed separately at the Gore Center. Please consult with the archivist for access.

The Peck Papers are divided chronologically into ten series. Three series are further divided into subseries based on type or subject.

Series I – Early Life: This series consists of four folders of papers pertaining to Marion Skeen’s childhood and education in Tarpon Springs, Florida (1920-1931).

Series II - The Office of War Information: This series consists of four folders of papers pertaining to Marion Coleman’s employment in the OWI’s London office during World War II (1944-1945).

Series III – Germany: This series contains forty-four folders of papers pertaining to Marion Coleman’s employment and daily life in Berlin, Germany after World War II (bulk 1946-1953). Records are further divided into five subseries.

Germany-Subseries 1–Entertainment contains eight folders of pamphlets, concert programs, and ticket stubs from Berlin, Germany.

Germany-Subseries 2-Correspondence includes ten folders of personal correspondence, employment related correspondence, and invitations.

Germany-Subseries 3-Personal contains ration cards, financial and tax information, and travel documents.

Germany-Subseries 4-Newsletters consists of two folders and contains copies of “The Bulletin: A Weekly survey of German affairs” (1960-1965) and newsletters from McNair High School, a Berlin High School that Laurel Coleman (Peck’s daughter) attended.

Germany-Subseries 5-OMGUS/HICOG consists of sixteen folders pertaining to Marion Coleman’s job as a Public Relations officer in the Office of Military Government, United States (OMGUS) and the United States High Commissioner for Germany (HICOG). OMGUS dissolved in 1949, when the Federal Republic of Germany was established. After this dissolution, many of the functions and activities of OMGUS were assumed by HICOG, which was created by executive order in 1949. Marion Coleman’s role as public relations officer transferred from OMGUS to HICOG, with her duties remaining the same or at least similar. The subseries contains correspondence with German citizens about grievances, memos, press releases, travel authorizations, and other related materials.

Series IV – Newspaper: This series consists of eighty-six folders pertaining to Marion Coleman Peck’s employment as a newspaper reporter, further separated into three subseries.

Newspaper -Subseries 1-The Louisiana Maneuvers consists of two folders and contains notes, typescripts, and articles from Coleman’s newspaper coverage of military maneuvers in Louisiana (1941).

Newspaper -Subseries 2-The Tennessee Maneuvers consists of thirty-two folders and contains notes, typescripts, articles, and supplementary materials—such as the Second Army Ranger School Subject Schedules—that pertain to Coleman’s time as a “war correspondent” for the Chattanooga Times and the Associated Press’s Nashville Bureau (1942-1943).

Newspaper-Subseries 3-The Chattanooga Times consists of fifty-two folders and contains notes, typescripts, correspondence, articles, and supplementary materials pertaining to Marion Coleman Peck’s employment as a feature columnist and reporter for the Chattanooga Times (1953-1965).

Series V – Professional: This series consists sixteen folders pertaining to Marion Peck’s professions after leaving the Chattanooga Times in 1965. This series contains three subseries.

Professional Series-Subseries 1-Mental Health includes eight folders of notes, memos, typescripts, and correspondence related to Peck’s employment as Public Relations Director for the Tennessee Department of Mental Health (1965-1970s).

Professional Series-Subseries 2-Speech Writer consists of six folders of notes, typescripts of speeches, and press releases related to Peck’s employment as a speech writer for several governors of Tennessee (Ellington, Dunn, and Blanton, Ca. 1970-1979).

Professional Series-Subseries 3-Awards consists of two folders of awards Peck won for her work.

Series VI – Chattanooga: This series consists of thirteen folders of materials related to Peck’s life in Chattanooga, outside of being a reporter for the Chattanooga Times. The papers include newsletters, programs, and files pertaining to the Hixson Pike Fire Department.

Series VII – Correspondence: This series consists of thirty-four folders of general correspondence not directly related to her work in other areas.

Series VIII – Writings: This series consists of thirty-nine folders of typescripts and notes of creative writing, including unpublished manuscripts, poems, short stories, and journals.

Series IX - Family: This series consists of eleven folders of information about Marion Peck's family members. The series includes correspondence, drawings, notes, and clippings.

Series X – Publications: This series consists of seven folders of magazines that Peck collected, including articles written by Peck or about Peck.

Arrangement: The Marion Skeen Coleman Peck Papers are arranged chronologically and/or by topic. Within folders, the original order of the files has largely been retained.

Related Collections at the Gore Center:

Eugene Holloway Sloan Papers (Tennessee Maneuvers)

Tennessee Maneuvers Collection

Photographs are stored in the Gore Center Photograph Collection

Scrapbooks are stored in the Gore Center's Oversize Collection

Museum items are stored separately in the Gore Center Museum Collection

Subject Terms:

People:

Peck, Marion Skeen Coleman

[Blanton, Ray, 1930-1996](#)

[Dunn, Winfield, 1927-](#)

[Ellington, Buford, 1907-1972](#)

Hull, Geo. F.

McNeill, Warren A. (Warren Albert)

Steinhice, Laurel Coleman

Places

[Chattanooga \(Tenn.\)](#)

[Berlin \(Germany\)](#)

[London \(England\)](#)

Subjects (General)

[Military maneuvers](#)

[Germany \(Territory under Allied occupation, 1945-1955: U.S. Zone\). Office of Military Government](#)

[United States. Office of War Information](#)

[Associated Press. Nashville Bureau](#)

Chattanooga Times

[Tennessee. Department of Mental Health](#)
[Public relations](#)
[Speechwriters](#)
[Reporters and reporting](#)
[War correspondents](#)
[Women war correspondents](#)

Material Types:

Letters
Notes
Speeches
Newspaper Clippings
Memos
Typescripts
Photographs
Books
Scrapbooks

Collection Inventory

Box	Folder	Series	Subseries	Description of Contents
1	1	Early Life		Ca. 1920s; Memory Composition Book
1	2	Early Life		1927; 9 th Grade Graduation Certificate
1	3	Early Life		1929; Autograph book
1	4	Early Life		1931; American Legion program, Lions Club program, Tarpon Springs, Florida files
1	5	Office of War Information		1944-1945; Employment information
1	6	Office of War Information		1945; Memos, newsletters
1	7	Office of War Information		Ca. 1945; Correspondence, passenger list, notes
1	8	Office of War Information		Ca. 1940s; Playbills from New York City
1	9	Germany	Entertainment	1946-1953; Pamphlets: "Berlin," "An Illustrated Introduction to the City of Berlin," "Bollwerk Berlin"
1	10	Germany	Entertainment	Ca. 1946-1953; Museum and tourism pamphlets
1	11	Germany	Entertainment	1949; Motion Picture Export Association, movie tickets, advertisements
1	12	Germany	Entertainment	Ca. 1946-1953; Concert Programs
1	13	Germany	Entertainment	1949-1951; Concert Programs
1	14	Germany	Entertainment	Ca. 1949-1952; Concert Programs and invitations
1	15	Germany	Entertainment	Ca. 1946-1953; Church, concert, and other

				programs
2	1	Germany	Entertainment	Ca. 1952; Theater and entertainment programs
2	2	Germany	Correspondence	Ca. 1946-1952; Invitations and general correspondence
2	3	Germany	Correspondence	1948; Berliner Club
2	4	Germany	Correspondence	1948; Correspondence about working in the Near East
2	5	Germany	Correspondence	1948-1951; Invitations and general correspondence
2	6	Germany	Correspondence	18 December 1949; Letter (in French) from "N." to Marion Coleman (includes translation)
2	7	Germany	Correspondence	1949-1954; Personal Correspondence (some in German)
2	8	Germany	Correspondence	1951; Invitations and general correspondence
2	9	Germany	Correspondence	1951-1953; Resume and employment related correspondence
2	10	Germany	Correspondence	Ca. 1951-1953; Invitations
2	11	Germany	Correspondence	1952-1953; Personal correspondence, mostly in German (some translations)
2	12	Germany	Personal	1948-1949; Ration Cards
2	13	Germany	Personal	Ca. 1948-1953; Financial Records
2	14	Germany	Personal	1948-1953; Financial and Tax Records
2	15	Germany	Personal	1948-1953; Correspondence about finances
3	1	Germany	Personal	Ca. 1948-1950; Travel Information, notes
3	2	Germany	Personal	1 June 1949; "Allied Cactus Committee"
3	3	Germany	Personal	1949-1950; Financial Records
3	4	Germany	Personal	Ca. 1950s; Airline Tickets
3	5	Germany	Newsletters	1951; McNair High School
3	6	Germany	Newsletters	1960-1965; The Bulletin, a weekly survey of German affairs, "Germany in Europe" pamphlet
3	7	Germany	OMGUS/HICOG	1946-1947; Correspondence with Germans (mostly in German, with some translations) asking for OMGUS assistance
3	8	Germany	OMGUS/HICOG	1946-1948; Memos, correspondence
3	9	Germany	OMGUS/HICOG	1946-1953; Press Pass, Identification, Dog Tags
3	10	Germany	OMGUS/HICOG	Ca. 1947; Correspondence and related materials
3	11	Germany	OMGUS/HICOG	May 1948; Packing list of household goods
3	12	Germany	OMGUS/HICOG	1948-1952; Travel authorizations, memos, and press releases

3	13	Germany	OMGUS/HICOG	Ca. 1948-1953; Correspondence (some in German)
3	14	Germany	OMGUS/HICOG	October 1949; Quartermaster Commissary Price List
3	15	Germany	OMGUS/HICOG	1949; Correspondence with Germans (mostly in German) asking for OMGUS assistance
3	16	Germany	OMGUS/HICOG	1949-1950; Travel authorizations
3	17	Germany	OMGUS/HICOG	1949-1951; Press Releases
3	18	Germany	OMGUS/HICOG	1950-1951; Press Releases, Newsletters
3	19	Germany	OMGUS/HICOG	Ca. 1950-1953; Correspondence
3	20	Germany	OMGUS/HICOG	1951-1952; Correspondence and Memos
3	21	Germany	OMGUS/HICOG	1952; Jet Base Tour: Correspondence, photographs, clippings (contains German language)
4	1	Germany	OMGUS/HICOG	1952; Travel authorizations
4	2	Germany	OMGUS/HICOG	1952-1953; Travel documents
4	3	Germany	OMGUS/HICOG	1953; Travel documents
4	4	Newspaper	Louisiana Maneuvers	1941; Typescript about being a "Lady Correspondent"
4	5	Newspaper	Louisiana Maneuvers	1941; Typescripts, notes
4	6	Newspaper	Tennessee Maneuvers	Ca. 1940-1943; Articles, typescripts, creative writing
4	7	Newspaper	Tennessee Maneuvers	21 June 1942; New York Times Magazine Article on patches and medals of the United States Military
4	8	Newspaper	Tennessee Maneuvers	22 July 1942; History of the 80 th Division Artillery, typescript and photographs
4	9	Newspaper	Tennessee Maneuvers	Ca. July 1942; History of the 80 th Division Signal Company
4	10	Newspaper	Tennessee Maneuvers	1943; Ranger School Demonstration at Camp Forrest
4	11	Newspaper	Tennessee Maneuvers	1943; 2 nd Army Ranger School Subject Schedules Group 1: Pride, Smartness, Soldierly Attitude, Leadership, and Orientation of Course
4	12	Newspaper	Tennessee Maneuvers	1943; 2 nd Army Ranger School Subject Schedules Group 2: Physical Conditioning
4	13	Newspaper	Tennessee Maneuvers	1943; 2 nd Army Ranger School Subject Schedules Group 3: Hand-to-Hand Combat
4	14	Newspaper	Tennessee Maneuvers	1943; 2 nd Army Ranger School Subject Schedules Group 4: Individual Camouflage
4	15	Newspaper	Tennessee Maneuvers	1943; 2 nd Army Ranger School Subject Schedules Group 5: Construction and Passing

4	16	Newspaper	Tennessee Maneuvers	1943; 2 nd Army Ranger School Subject Schedules Group 6: Booby Trap and Demolition
4	17	Newspaper	Tennessee Maneuvers	1943; 2 nd Army Ranger School Subject Schedules Group 7: Sniping and Infiltration
4	18	Newspaper	Tennessee Maneuvers	1943; 2 nd Army Ranger School Subject Schedules Group 8: Patrols and Ambush
4	19	Newspaper	Tennessee Maneuvers	1943; 2 nd Army Ranger School Subject Schedules Group 9: Stalking and Ambushing Tanks
4	20	Newspaper	Tennessee Maneuvers	1943; 2 nd Army Ranger School Subject Schedules Group 10: Stream Crossing Expedients and Use of Rope
4	21	Newspaper	Tennessee Maneuvers	1943; 2 nd Army Ranger School Subject Schedules Group 11: Combat Reaction Proficiency Course
4	22	Newspaper	Tennessee Maneuvers	19 January 1943; 2 nd Army Ranger School article and photographs
4	23	Newspaper	Tennessee Maneuvers	15 June 1943; Typescript of article by Marion Coleman
4	24	Newspaper	Tennessee Maneuvers	15 June 1943; Typescript of article by Marion Coleman
4	25	Newspaper	Tennessee Maneuvers	23 July 1943; 317 th Inf. Photos and history of 317 th Infantry
4	26	Newspaper	Tennessee Maneuvers	25 July 1943; 319 th Inf. Photos and history of 319 th Infantry
4	27	Newspaper	Tennessee Maneuvers	27 July 1943; 305 th Engrs. Photos and history of the 305 th Engineering Battalion
4	28	Newspaper	Tennessee Maneuvers	28 July 1943; 405 th QM. Photos and history of the 405 th Quartermaster Battalion, 80 th Division
4	29	Newspaper	Tennessee Maneuvers	30 July 1943; Photos and history of 80 th Division Renaissance Troop
4	30	Newspaper	Tennessee Maneuvers	31 July 1943; Photo and history of 80 th Division Military Police Company
4	31	Newspaper	Tennessee Maneuvers	Ca. 1943; Typescripts, notes
4	32	Newspaper	Tennessee Maneuvers	Ca. 1943; Typescripts, notes, articles
4	33	Newspaper	Tennessee Maneuvers	Ca. 1943; Notes
4	34	Newspaper	Tennessee Maneuvers	Ca. 1943; "For the Army" photographs, typescript
4	35	Newspaper	Tennessee Maneuvers	Ca. 1943; Associated Press correspondence and typescripts

4	36	Newspaper	Tennessee Maneuvers	1943; Press Release 97,279
4	37	Newspaper	Tennessee Maneuvers	1944; Rabbit Manual: the handbook of the Oklahoma Military Academy Corps of Cadets, Vol. 3
5	1	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	Ca. 1942-1945; Articles by Peck and about Peck
5	2	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	Ca. 1950s; Typescripts on alcoholism
5	3	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	Ca. 1950s; "Features" typescripts (folder 1 of 3)
5	4	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	Ca. 1950s; "Features" typescripts (folder 2 of 3)
5	5	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	Ca. 1950s; "Features" typescripts (folder 3 of 3)
5	6	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	Ca. 1950s; "Criminal Cases" typescripts
5	7	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	Ca. 1950s; Typescripts about trials (folder 1 of 4)
5	8	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	Ca. 1950s; Typescripts about trials (folder 2 of 4)
5	9	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	Ca. 1950s; Typescripts about trials (folder 3 of 4)
5	10	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	Ca. 1950s; Typescripts about trials (folder 4 of 4)
5	11	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	1950s; Articles written by Peck, Congressional Record (25 June 1954, contains article written by Peck)
5	12	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	Ca. 1950s-1965; Sunday Column Feature typescripts (folder 1 of 2)
5	13	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	Ca. 1950s-1965; Sunday Column Feature typescripts (folder 2 of 2)
5	14	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	Ca. 1950s-1965; Typescripts of articles
5	15	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	Ca. 1950s-1965; Typescripts of feature columns (folder 1 of 3)
5	16	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	Ca. 1950s-1965; Typescripts of feature columns (folder 2 of 3)
5	17	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	Ca. 1950s-1965; Typescripts of feature columns (folder 3 of 3)
5	18	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	1950s-1970s; Articles about Marion Peck
6	1	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	Ca. 1954; Typescripts of Sunday columns written as Federal Building Reporter (folder 1 of 4)
6	2	Newspaper	Chattanooga	Ca. 1954; Typescripts of Sunday columns

			Times	written as Federal Building Reporter (folder 2 of 4)
6	3	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	Ca. 1954; Typescripts of Sunday columns written as Federal Building Reporter (folder 3 of 4)
6	4	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	Ca. 1954; Typescripts of Sunday columns written as Federal Building Reporter (folder 4 of 4)
6	5	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	1955-1960; Articles written by Peck
6	6	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	Ca. 1955; Typescript about the opening of the Chattanooga Library
6	7	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	1956; Date book
6	8	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	Ca. 1956; "Conley Family- Hixson Fire" typescripts of articles (folder 1 of 3)
6	9	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	Ca. 1956; "Conley Family- Hixson Fire" typescripts of articles (folder 2 of 3)
6	10	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	Ca. 1956; "Conley Family- Hixson Fire" typescripts of articles (folder 3 of 3)
6	11	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	1957; Articles written by Peck
6	12	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	1957-1962; "Sum of the Times" newsletters
6	13	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	2 November 1958; Notes, typescripts, and article, "Here Comes the Rolling Store"
6	14	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	Ca. 1959; Cape Canaveral Trip, notes clippings, and press releases
6	15	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	Ca. 1959; Typescripts of Cape Canaveral article
6	16	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	Ca. 1959; Typescripts, notes, "Sum of the Times" newsletters
7	1	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	1959-1963; Articles written by Peck, American Newspaper Guild Cards
7	2	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	1959-1965; Articles written by Peck
7	3	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	1960; Articles written by Peck
7	4	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	Ca. 1963; Governor's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped notes and correspondence
7	5	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	1960, 1963; Articles written by Peck
7	6	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	Ca. 1961; Typescripts of two articles about the University of Chattanooga
7	7	Newspaper	Chattanooga	January-February 1962; Articles written by

			Times	Peck
7	8	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	1962; Articles about awards Peck won
7	9	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	9 May 1963; Eunice Kennedy Shriver speech before the President's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped
7	10	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	February-March 1964; Atlanta trip to cover Dixie Flower and Garden Show
7	11	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	26 July 1964; Articles written by Peck
7	12	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	1965; "Marion Peck Leaves" article
7	13	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	March-June 1965; Articles written by Peck
7	14	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	Ca. 1965; Notebook with notes on court cases (folder 1 of 3)
7	15	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	Ca. 1965; Notebook with notes on court cases (folder 2 of 3)
7	16	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	Ca. 1965; Notebook with notes on court cases (folder 3 of 3)
7	17	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	1969, 1974; Articles by Peck about the deaths of Alfred Mynders and Geo. Hull
7	18	Newspaper	Chattanooga Times	1974; Letter to editor by Peck about Geo. F. Hull's death, typescripts and notes
7	19	Professional	Mental Health	Ca. 1960s-1970s; Typescript of a manuscript on Mental Health
7	20	Professional	Mental Health	Ca. 1960s-1980s; Correspondence with John J. Barnes; notes, clippings about mental health facilities (Orange Grove and Annandale)
7	21	Professional	Mental Health	1965-1974; Employment information (folder 1 of 3)
7	22	Professional	Mental Health	1965-1974; Employment information (folder 2 of 3)
7	23	Professional	Mental Health	1965-1974; Employment information (folder 3 of 3)
7	24	Professional	Mental Health	12 October 1970; Letter from Governor Ellington to Peck
7	25	Professional	Mental Health	1970-1971; Project notes, memos
7	26	Professional	Mental Health	Ca. 1970s; Notes and "background miscellaneous"
8	1	Professional	Speech Writer	1966-1970s; Speeches written by Peck for Tennessee politicians
8	2	Professional	Speech Writer	1970s; Speeches written by Peck for Tennessee politicians
8	3	Professional	Speech Writer	1971; Speech for the dedication of

				Moccasin Bend Psychiatric Hospital, "How to live with a Daydream"
8	4	Professional	Speech Writer	June 1976; United Nations visit to Nashville, speeches and press releases
8	5	Professional	Speech Writer	11 June 1976; Governor Blanton speech, University of Tennessee-Knoxville Commencement
8	6	Professional	Speech Writer	1977; Press releases from Governor Blanton's office on 1977 time capsule
8	7	Professional	Awards	1963-1964; March of Dimes, National Cystic Fibrosis Research Foundation, newsletter
8	8	Professional	Awards	1974-1978; Who's Who of American Woman, Tennessee Five Years of Service, New York University Public Relations Writing Workshop
8	9	Chattanooga		1951, 1956; Passports and Immunization Documents
8	10	Chattanooga		1955-1958; Organizational newsletters (Jaycees, Lions)
8	11	Chattanooga		1956, 1961; Fire Department newsletters, materials from Fire Department Instructors Conference
8	12	Chattanooga		Ca. 1958-1960; Fire Safety Committee: clippings, minutes, and correspondence
8	13	Chattanooga		1959-1960; Receipts
8	14	Chattanooga		1960; Chattanooga Publishing Company Credit Union report correspondence, typescripts
8	15	Chattanooga		1960; Thirteenth Annual Dinner and Fashion Show
8	16	Chattanooga		1960-1961; Community Relations Conference newsletters, constitution
8	17	Chattanooga		1960, 1962; Hixson Pike Fire Department: clippings, program, card
8	18	Chattanooga		1961; Dedication of Cadek Hall, University of Chattanooga
8	19	Chattanooga		Ca. 1960s-1971; Ephemera, drawings, map
8	20	Chattanooga		1972, 1983; Museum flyer, Oklahoma state art collection, History Imprints (published by the Tennessee Historical Society), Lions Club flyer
8	21	Chattanooga		1981; Cape Canaveral classroom discussion sheet
9	1	Correspondence		1934; Frank Skeen to Marion Skeen
9	2	Correspondence		1940-1954; M.S. Dhupia, Marion

				Coleman, Laurel Coleman
9	3	Correspondence		26 June 1944; Warren A. McNeill (AP Nashville Bureau Chief) to Marion Coleman
9	4	Correspondence		1944-1945; Marion Coleman, Geo. F. Hull
9	5	Correspondence		1944, 1946; Rejection letters
9	6	Correspondence		1944, 1946; Employment and free-lance writing related letters
9	7	Correspondence		1945; "Henry" to Marion Coleman
9	8	Correspondence		Ca. 1945; Clint McDade to Marion Coleman: clipping, magazine article, Christmas card
9	9	Correspondence		1946, 1953; two letters pertaining to Marion Coleman's employment
9	10	Correspondence		Ca. 1950s; Laurel Coleman to "folks"
9	11	Correspondence		1950-1960; Dutch Royal Airlines, letters and boarding passes for cruise liners
9	12	Correspondence		Ca. 1950s, 1963; General correspondence and Invitation to the White House
9	13	Correspondence		Ca. 1950s-1970s; General correspondence, Marion Peck, Laurel Coleman, Howard Denby, others
9	14	Correspondence		Ca. 1953-1970; Personal correspondence and ephemera
9	15	Correspondence		Ca. 1940s-1980s (bulk 1950s-1960s); Loose personal correspondence
9	16	Correspondence		7 September 1954; Letter to Marion Coleman from "Roy"
9	17	Correspondence		1960s; Letters of congratulations for various awards, positions
9	18	Correspondence		Ca. 1960s; Letters between family members
9	19	Correspondence		1961; Letter from Peck to Mr. Hutchinson about a car
9	20	Correspondence		1961; Clipping and letter about Rabies Control Program
9	21	Correspondence		December 1961-June 1962; Personal correspondence pertaining to articles written by Marion Peck
9	22	Correspondence		1961-1965; Employment related correspondence
9	23	Correspondence		1962; Letters and telegrams of congratulations for winning awards
9	24	Correspondence		Ca. 1962; Undated personal correspondence
9	25	Correspondence		1964; Letters between Marion Peck and

				David McCullough, copy of a letter from 1888
9	26	Correspondence		1968; Types letters from Robert Browning Rau
9	27	Correspondence		1970; Letter of recommendation from Nat T. Winston, Commissioner of the Mental Health for the state of Tennessee
9	28	Correspondence		1970, 1978; Curriculum Vita and letters of recommendation
9	29	Correspondence		1970s; Cards from politicians: Howard Baker, Lamar Baker, Gerald Ford, George Wallace, Winfield Dunn, Richard Nixon
9	30	Correspondence		Ca. 1970s-1984; Letter from Peter Haas to Laurel Steinhice (1984), About the author about Marion Peck (Ca. 1970s)
9	31	Correspondence		Ca. 1976-1978; Cards from J.J. Barnes
9	32	Correspondence		Ca. 1980s; Letters and cards to and from Marion Peck
9	33	Correspondence		1980s; Letters and cards from J.J. Barnes to Marion Peck
9	34	Correspondence		Ca. 1980s; Birthday poem, card from "Judd"
10	1	Writings		Ca. 1940s; Handwritten notes and typescripts of creative writing (folder 1 of 2)
10	2	Writings		Ca. 1940s; Handwritten notes and typescripts of creative writing (folder 2 of 2)
10	3	Writings		Ca. 1940s; Typescripts of attempted articles for magazines
10	4	Writings		Ca. 1940s; "Automatic Writing" handwritten notes
10	5	Writings		Ca. 1940s; Handwritten notes and typescripts of creative writing
10	6	Writings		Ca. 1940s-1950s; Handwritten notes and typescripts of creative writing. Some may pertain to journalism work as well.
10	7	Writings		1947; Two small notebooks from Marion Coleman's time in the Middle East
10	8	Writings		Ca. 1950s; Notes on "Most memorable day in Berlin"
10	9	Writings		Ca. 1950s; Handwritten notes and typescripts of creative writing
10	10	Writings		Ca. 1950s; Handwritten notes and typescripts of creative writing
10	11	Writings		Ca. 1960s; Typescripts of poems and

				creative writing
10	12	Writings		Ca. 1960s-1970s; Typescripts and handwritten notes, includes "Gifts" poem
10	13	Writings		1960s-1980s; Handwritten notes and correspondence
10	14	Writings		1961; Correspondence and notes about Peck's article in the Saturday Evening Post
10	15	Writings		1961,1963; Magazine articles about Peck: <i>Saturday Evening Post</i> (28 October 1961), <i>Ebony</i> (February 1963)
10	16	Writings		1964; Materials related to Peck's article in the February 1964 issue of <i>South Illustrated</i>
10	17	Writings		1966; "Gifts" poem
10	18	Writings		Ca. 1968-1980; Handwritten notes and typescripts of creative writings
11	1	Writings		1970s; Typescripts of creative writings
11	2	Writings		Ca. 1970s; Untitled short story
11	3	Writings		Ca. 1970s; Untitled short story
11	4	Writings		Ca. 1970s; Untitled poems and creative writing
11	5	Writings		Ca. 1970s; Untitled poems and creative writing
11	6	Writings		Ca. 1970s; Untitled poems and creative writing
11	7	Writings		Ca. 1970s; Handwritten notes and typescripts of creative writing
11	8	Writings		Ca. 1970s; Handwritten notes
11	9	Writings		Ca. 1970s; Poems
11	10	Writings		Ca. 1970s; Handwritten notes
11	11	Writings		Ca. 1970s; "Poetry Miscellaneous"
11	12	Writings		Ca. 1970s; Short story, "A Grandfather Talks to his Granddaughter" by Marion Peck
11	13	Writings		Ca. 1970s-1980s; Handwritten notes and typescripts of creative writing
11	14	Writings		1970s; Notes on dreams
11	15	Writings		1970s; Correspondence and typescripts of creative writing
11	16	Writings		1972; Short story about D.B. Cooper written by Peck, clippings
11	17	Writings		1974; Notebook with creative writing
11	18	Writings		Ca. 1980s; Small notebooks, creative writing
11	19	Writings		1980; Unpublished manuscript on child

				abuse in Chattanooga
11	20	Writings		1985; Short story, "Cockfight" by Marion Peck
11	21	Writings		1985; Typescripts, correspondence, about the author pertaining to Marion Peck's short story, "Cockfight"
12	1	Family		Ca. 1940s; Laurel Coleman: notes, correspondence, and drawings
12	2	Family		Ca. 1945; James Peck: memo about being awarded Bronze Star, Second Armored Division "Order of the Day"
12	3	Family		1945-1954; Laurel Coleman: correspondence and notes
12	4	Family		Ca. 1950s; Laurel Coleman: correspondence and drawings
12	5	Family		Ca. 1960s; Notes from Marion Peck's grandchildren
12	6	Family		Ca. 1960s; Drawings
12	7	Family		Ca. 1960s-1970s; Drawings and correspondence
12	8	Family		1970s; Notes and clippings pertaining to Peck's Steinhice grandchildren
12	9	Family		1972; Newsletters and materials pertaining to Red Bank Junior High School
12	10	Family		29 October 1973; "Sing, O My Soul" poem by Jessica Lynne Steinhice
12	11	Family		November 1977; Francis Steinhice obituaries
12	12	Family		1982; Laurel Steinhice for congress
12	13	Publications		Ca. 1947; "Trip Through Southland News Company"
12	14	Publications		August 1947; <i>Soldier: The British Army Magazine</i>
12	15	Publications		February 1948; <i>Military Government Journal</i>
12	16	Publications		1959; <i>Germany: The Magazine of the Federal Republic</i>
12	17	Publications		Autumn 1963; <i>Tartan Magazine</i>
12	18	Publications		March-April 1967; <i>Circle C Chats</i> contains "Gifts" poem
12	19	Publications		1980; <i>The Hank Snow Child Abuse Fundraising Show</i> magazine

Scrapbooks

Box 13

- Black scrapbook: newspaper clippings from Peck's society page, about the Cadek Music Conservatory. (Ca. 1937-1940)
- Green scrapbook: newspaper clippings, correspondence, photographs, other documents. Mostly from early 1940s, before Peck covered maneuvers. At the end of the book, there are some clippings about the TN maneuvers. Ca. 1941-43.

Box 14

- Scrapbook: contains articles written by Peck on the Louisiana Maneuvers and related photographs, 1941. The box also contains a promotional poster for *Marion* by Laurel Coleman Steinhice and several scrapbook pages with Marion's article on the night raid from several different newspapers (1943).

Box 15

- Blue scrapbook: Tennessee Maneuvers articles, correspondence, photographs. 1943
- Reddish Brown scrapbook with sailboat on cover: Scrapbook from Marion's youth and teenaged years. Mostly photographs. Ca. 1920s, 1930s
- White scrapbook with airplane on cover: Scrapbook with articles, correspondence, memos, typewcripts, and photographs. Mostly pertaining to Peck's work on Maneuvers, 1941-3.

Box 16 (not actually a box, but a large black scrapbook)

- Large black scrapbook: Created by the Chattanooga Newspaper Guild to enter Peck in the Heywood Broun Award competition. This award is given for social justice reporting. The scrapbook contains several articles written by Peck about employment of the handicapped, 1962.

Box 17

- Contains several scrapbooks that are currently being processed.

Photographs are stored with the other photographic materials at the Albert Gore Research Center and are presently not completely processed. Please consult with the archivist for access.