ACQUISITION: Letters purchased as a group.

ACCESS: Restricted access; materials fragile; access by request at Akron-Summit County Public Library’s Main Library Special Collections division only.

VOLUME: 1 box, 44 x 54 x 6 cm

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE: L. K. Stone was vice president of Federman’s Department Store in Akron; he and his wife, Gertrude, took in boarders at the family home at 180 Park Place during the boom years in Akron when there was an acute housing shortage. Otto Glaub was in the Signal Corps and wrote from Camp Gordon, GA and from Honningen and Ahrweiler, Germany (6/19/18-6/30/19). Joseph Dunn worked at Goodyear before enlisting and wrote from Camps Gordon (GA) and Wadsworth (Spartanburg, SC) (6/6/18-11/7/18). F. Scott Huggins worked at Firestone and was in the 308th Ordnance Mobile and 12th Co., 3rd Bat; he wrote from Camp Sherman (Chillicothe, OH), from Void, Marseilles and Mehun in France, and from Monte Carlo (9/13/17-6/30/19). George Schwab, who was a purchasing agent at Diamond Crystal Salt, was in the Ambulance Corps, 310th Sanitary Train, 337th Company; he wrote from Camp Custer (Battle Creek, MI) (12/4/17-1/1/18).

SCOPE AND CONTENT: Series of letters written by four men who either boarded at L. K. and Gertrude Stone’s residence at 180 Park Place, Akron, Ohio, or who knew the Stones through friends. The letters discuss everyday life of an enlisted man in military camp or overseas during the U.S. involvement in World War I, as well as personal and family matters. Several photographs accompanied the letters and remain with the collection.

ARRANGEMENT: Arranged in two series: Letters and Photographs. Letters arranged alphabetically by author’s last name, then chronologically by date; photographs arranged chronologically by date written.

SERIES I: Letters
Box 1

Folder 1 Two envelopes addressed to Mrs. Stone
Folders 2-5 Letters written by Joseph Dunn, 1918
Folders 6-10 Letters written by Otto Glaub, 1918-1919
Folders 11-25 Letters written by F. Scott Huggins, 1917-1919
Folders 26-27 Letters written by George Schwab, 1917-1918

SERIES II: Photographs
Box 1

Folder 1 Photograph of Joseph Dunn, Camp Wadsworth, SC, undated
Photographs (2) of George Schwab, Camp Custer, MI, 1917
Photograph of Scott Huggins and Jack Lydle, Camp Sherman, OH, 1917
Photograph of Scott Huggins, 1917
Photograph of Scott Huggins and an unidentified man in uniform, 1918
Photograph of a man in uniform presumed to be Otto Glaub, Germany, 1919
Photograph of an unidentified man and woman, undated