

**Rose Anna Tram
Papers, 1915-1976
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Extent: 1 linear foot

Provenance: Rose Anna Tram

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Biographical Sketch. Tram had her nursing training at St. Mary's Hospital in Rochester, New York, and graduated in 1926. She spent the next sixteen years at St. Mary's and in private duty. In 1942, Tram volunteered to serve in the Army Nurse Corps, where she directed the Nursing Service of the 235th General Hospital in France during World War II. She had the rank of major when she left the army after the war.

Summary. The collection consists of Tram's official Department of War records, reports and correspondence to commanding officers, certificates and commendations, and many photographs of her service in the United States and Europe. Materials documenting her pre-military career include state registration certificates, yearbooks, and other documents from her training days and early career in Rochester.

Series Description. This collection has been arranged into three series:

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Series I. Manuscripts, 1915-1976

Box 1

f.1 Army documents (Certificates of Service, Commission, etc.), 1945-1947

f.2 Certificates and Awards, 1926-1970

f.3 Correspondence, 1915-1958

f.4 Name list of those who worked with Tram in the army (?), undated

f.5 News Clippings, 1943-1976

f.6 Postcards, datebook, and Christmas greeting card, 1940s and 1950s

- f.7 Soldier's Guides, 1946
- f.8 St. Mary's Hospital, Diamond Jubilee program, 1932

Series II. Photographs, 1940s

Box 2

- p.1 Hospital - Fort Ontario, N.Y., Ward unit showing patients, nurse and corpsmen, 1940's
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- p.2 Group of Army personnel - Paris, WWII, 1940's
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- p.3 Group of Army nurses standing in front of building, WWII, 1940's
- p.4 Group of four Army officers - two male medical staff and two female nurses, WWII, 1940's
- p.5 Three Army personnel with two Swiss guards and clergy - Vatican City, Rome, WWII, 1940's
- p.6 Bishop Kearney, Sister Martina, Lt. Francis H. Dolan, and Lt. Rose A. Tram, 1943
- p.7 Group of Army nurses marching in parade on Boardwalk in Atlantic City, N.J., 1940's
- p.8 Group of Army nurses standing in front of float, "England General Hospital," 1940's
- p.9 Float, "England General Hospital" - Atlantic City Boardwalk parade, 1940's
- p.10 Float, "England General Hospital" with marching Army band in background - Atlantic City Boardwalk, 1940's
- p.11 Second District New York State Nurses Association, Picnic, September, 1939

Box 2

Envelope I. WWII European theatre - 1940's

- f.1 235th General Hospital, France
- f.2 Group of Army nurses standing in front of building, France
- f.3 V.J. Day, Marseille, France, 1945
- f.4 Liberation of Germany - Interior prison camp, prisoners aboard train, Army staff personnel
- f.5 Army ceremony - Officer Kelly getting silver metal
- f.6 Army nurses ceremony - recognition for service, and reception
- f.7 Group pictures of Army nurses and male officers
- f.8 Individual and group pictures of Army nurses
- f.9 Individual and group pictures of male Army personnel
- f.10 Wedding of Mac and Tommy
- f.11 Jim and Grace Hile - stationed in Germany

Envelope II. Rest and Recreation Leave - Europe, 1940's

- f.1 Lourdes and Paris, Francis
- f.2 Rome and Pompeii, Italy
- f.3 Germany - two Army nurses with Tyrone Powers
- f.4 Germany - countryside, individuals, and cemetery
- f.5 Individual and group of Army personnel - Location ?
- f.6 Army personnel in Paris, France

Envelope III. Army group and individuals - Location unknown, WWII, 1940's

- f.1 Army Dress parade
- f.2 Nurses, physicians, and Red Cross staff
- f.3 Army Chief Nurse, portrait
- f.4 Army nurse in dress uniform, portrait

Envelope IV. Friends and Social Activities

- f.1 Friend and their grandchildren, no date
- f.2 Friends, no date
- f.3 Rose A. Tram and "Brownie," January, 1956
- f.4 Reception and dinner social (Occasion?)
- f.5 Wedding pictures, 1964
- f.6 Living room (Location?)
- f.7 Wedding - bridal couple, no date

Series III. Artifacts, 1940s

Box 3

- Army nurse uniform insignias (in a glass container)
- Unit insignia
- Medal, Campaign & Service--Victory--World War II, 1945 (in a small box)
- Two photo albums from unidentified Army camps