Information Sheet

R Weingarten Internment Camp (Weingarten, Mo.).
1161 Papers, 1943-1944.
One folder.

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This collection includes a newsletter, a copy of orders, a roster for the 408th Military Police Escort Guard Company, and a pass from the Weingarten Internment Camp, a prisoner-of-war camp at Weingarten in Ste. Genevieve County, Missouri, during World War II.

Weingarten is a small community about ten miles west of Ste. Genevieve, Missouri. Settled predominantly by German immigrants in the nineteenth century, it became host to a prisoner-of-war camp for Italian soldiers during the Second World War.

Included in this collection is Volume 1, Number 1, of Weingartener, the camp’s mimeographed newsletter. Dated 8 May 1943, it noted the arrival of the first two trainloads of Italian internees the previous day. Col. H. H. Glidden was the Commanding Officer and Maj. W. R. Dwyer was the Executive Officer. Staff Sgt. R. Baxter was editor of the newsletter.

Included also is a copy of Special Orders No. 240, dated 23 November 1943, that authorized named personnel to obtain driver’s licenses and to take vehicles to Fort Leonard Wood and return.

There is an every-name roster of enlisted men in the 408th Military Police Escort Guard Company dated 10 April 1944 that includes ranks and serial numbers, and an undated “Class A. Pass” issued to T/5 David E. Emery of the 408th, allowing him to leave the post at any time while not on duty.

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