This collection is available at The State Historical Society of Missouri. If you would like more information, please contact us at research@shsmo.org.

INTRODUCTION
The Floyd Snelson WWII photographs are a collection of 100 photographs taken in the Pacific Theater by Floyd Snelson. Additional biographical material and many documents from Japan during the War period are included in the collection. Some of the photographs document the Japanese surrender at Okinawa.

DONOR INFORMATION
The papers were loaned for copying to the University of Missouri by Floyd Snelson on 25 January 1987 (Accession No. 366).

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH
Floyd Snelson was born on June 17, 1919. He served during WWII as a corporal in the 69th Air Service Squadron to the 5th Air Force. He was trained as an aircraft mechanic and also worked as a photographer. After the war, Snelson was a cattle rancher in Phelps County, Missouri. Snelson died in Phelps County on April 4, 2008.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE
The photographs in the collection are numbered, indexed and captioned in an included document. Negatives for each photograph are included. The photographs document military life, battles, and the Japanese surrender. Many Japanese books and cards are included in the collection. These documents are untranslated.

FOLDER LIST
f. 1 Photographs and Negatives, 1945-1946
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