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INTRODUCTION

The Shoemaker-Matthews Scrapbook is a collection of poetry and writings collected by the Shoemaker and Matthews family.

DONOR INFORMATION

The papers were donated to the State Historical Society of Missouri by Elsie Degraff Shoemaker and Ralph Joseph Shoemaker on 16 March 1978 (Accession No. 2159).

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Ralph Joseph Shoemaker was born on July 13, 1906. He was a captain in the United States Army during World War II and the Korean War. He was married to Elsie Degraff Shoemaker. He died on May 2, 1980, in Pensacola, Florida, and is buried in Barrancas National Cemetery.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The Shoemaker-Matthews Scrapbook contains a book of poetry and newspaper clippings. Many of the writings are funny quips and words of wisdom. Some of the clippings are from the *New York Clipper*, which was an entertainment newspaper that was bought by *Variety* in 1924.

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