

Cecil Willard Parks Collection (SMC 80)

Biographical Note

Cecil Willard Parks was born on 11 June, 1913 in Franklinville, North Carolina. He was the first of five children born to Ira Clarence and Lena Rivers Parks. He graduated from high school at the beginning of the Depression and lived by doing odd jobs for a couple of years before joining the Army and being posted to the Panama Canal Zone in the mid-30s. In March of 1942 he entered the officer candidate school and in June of that year was commissioned a 2nd Lt. and assigned to the T.I.S. he became a captain in May of 1947 and a captain in the Army Reserves in October of 1952. He died on June 26, 1998.

Scope and Content

This collection documents the army career of Cecil Willard Parks. 1942-1952 4 folders (.2 l.f.)

Permission to Publish

Permission to publish material from the Cecil Willard Parks Collection must be obtained from the Columbus State University Archives at Columbus State University. Use of the following credit line for publication or exhibit is required: Cecil Willard Parks Collection (SMC 80) Columbus State University Archives Columbus, Georgia

Provenance

Unknown. **Folder/Item List** Folder 1 - Autobiography of Cecil Willard Parks, July 26, 1946

Folder 2 - War Department Field Manual FM23-55, Browning Machine Guns, Caliber .30, M1917A1, M1919A4, and M1919A6, July 1945

Folder 3 - Certificate appointing Parks as a captain in the U.S. Army, May 15, 1947

Folder 4 - Certificate appointing Parks as a captain in the U.S. Army Reserves, October 15, 1952