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REGISTER: Thomas and Anna Gallagher Family Papers

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The Thomas and Anna Gallagher family originated in County Mayo, Ireland. Members of this family immigrated to Cleveland, Ohio, ca. 1870. This family settled in the west side of Cleveland, where they and their descendants maintained strong connections with the Irish parishes and communities of St. Malachi on Washington Street and St. Patrick's Church on Bridge Street. Their son, Fr. Daniel Gallagher, participated in World War I. He traveled to Europe with the Knights of Columbus, offering his services to the troops. Fr. Gallagher and his mother traveled extensively in Ireland visiting relations and relaying stories to their family in Cleveland. Gary Pritts (b. 1957), a grandson of the Gallaghers, was born in Cleveland, Ohio, and has successfully traced three generations of his family genealogy. Pritts remains active in the Irish American community. He is a member of the Community of St. Malachi, participates in the annual St. Patrick's Day Parade and supports Irish events and activities.

The Thomas and Anna Gallagher Papers, 1914-1935, consist of correspondence, an invitation, special orders from the United States Army, newspaper clippings, photographs, postcards, programs and a telegram.

The collection is arranged alphabetically by document type, and then chronologically.

This collection is of value to researchers studying Irish American history in northeast Ohio. It will also be of interest to those researching social history pertaining to World War I. Those seeking information regarding life in the United States during World War I will find useful data in this collection. Researchers with an interest in World War I will find references made to the army bases in Europe, including Wittlich, Germany, Le Maus, France, valuable. Individuals interested in the life and times in Ireland during this era will find useful information in the correspondence. Genealogists researching the Gallagher family in northeast Ohio with ties to County Mayo, Ireland will find this collection to be of value.

All photographs remain with the collection given their integral relationship to a number of manuscript items.

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Number of Containers: 1 Oversize Folders: 0 Oversize Volumes: 0

Size: 0.20 linear feet / 0.06 linear meters

Restrictions: None.

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- 1 Folder 1: Correspondence, Anna Gallagher in New York to her husband Thomas, in Cleveland, June 18, 1914.
- Folder 2: _____, Anna and Dan Gallagher on board the S.S. Cedric, to Thomas Gallagher in Cleveland, 1914.
- Folder 3: _____, Daniel Gallagher in Westport, County Mayo, Ireland, to his father, Thomas Gallagher in Cleveland, Ohio, July 4, 1914.
- Folder 4: _____, sisters Winnifred, Annette, Agnes and Lillian Gallagher in Cleveland, to their mother, Anna Gallagher in Westport, July 6, 1914.
- Folder 5: _____, Dan Gallagher in Westport to his family in Cleveland, July 14, 1914.
- Folder 6: _____, Thomas Gallagher in Cleveland, to his wife, Anna in Sligo, Ireland, July 17, 1914.
- Folder 7: _____, Dan Gallagher in Westport, to his father, Thomas in Cleveland, July 18, 1914.
- Folder 8: _____, Thomas Gallagher in Cleveland to his wife Anna and son Dan, in Ireland, July 24, 1914.
- Folder 9: _____, Winnifred Gallagher in Cleveland to her mother Anna and brother Dan in Ireland, July 26, 1914.
- Folder 10: _____, Dan Gallagher in Sligo, Ireland, to his father Thomas in Cleveland, July 31, 1914.
- Folder 11: _____, Bill (William Gallagher) in Tennessee to Dan Gallagher, August 1, 1914.
- Folder 12: _____, Dan Gallagher in Douglas, Cork, Ireland to his mother, Anna, in Sligo, August 4, 1914.

- Folder 13: _____, Dan Gallagher in Douglas, Cork to his father and siblings in Cleveland, August 5, 1914.
- Folder 14: _____, Dan Gallagher in Liverpool, United Kingdom, to his family in Cleveland, August 12, 1914.
- Folder 15: _____, Dan Gallagher in Liverpool to his mother, Anna Gallagher in Ireland, August 12, 1914.
- Folder 16: _____, Dan Gallagher in Liverpool to his mother, Anna Gallagher in Ireland, August 15, 1914.
- Folder 17: _____, Dan Gallagher in London, United Kingdom, to his father, Thomas Gallagher in Cleveland, August 16, 1914.
- Folder 18: _____, Dan Gallagher in London to his mother, Anna Gallagher in Ireland, August 18, 1914.
- Folder 19: _____, Dan Gallagher on duty with the U.S. Army in France to his parents in Cleveland, October 27, 1918.
- Folder 20: _____, Corporal Corrigan on duty with the U.S. Army in Paris, France, to Anna Gallagher in Cleveland, October 28, 1918.
- Folder 21: _____, Dan Gallagher Le Maus, France to his parents in Cleveland, November 3, 1918.
- Folder 22: _____, Dan Gallagher in Wittlich, Germany, to his family in Cleveland, December 30, 1918.
- Folder 23: _____, Dan Gallagher in Wittlich to his family in Cleveland, January 23, 1919.
- Folder 24: _____, Dan Gallagher in Wittlich to his family in Cleveland, February 1, 1919.

- Folder 25: _____, Dan Gallagher in Wittlich to his family in Cleveland, February 2, 1919.
- Folder 26: _____, Dan Gallagher in Wittlich to his sister Lillian in Cleveland, February 19, 1919.
- Folder 27: _____, Dan Gallagher in Wittlich to his mother, Anna Gallagher with place card enclosed, February 26, 1919.
- Folder 28: _____, Dan Gallagher in London, United Kingdom, to his family in Cleveland, March 3, 1919.
- Folder 29: _____, Dan Gallagher in Dublin, Ireland, to his family in Cleveland, March 4, 1919.
- Folder 30: _____, Dan Gallagher in Belfast, Northern Ireland, to his parents in Cleveland, March 8, 1919.
- Folder 31: _____, Dan Gallagher in London to his family in Cleveland, March 12, 1919.
- Folder 32: _____, Dan Gallagher in Wittlich to his family in Cleveland, March 24, 1919.
- Folder 33: _____, Dan Gallagher in Wittlich to his brother Farrell, March 24, 1919.
- Folder 34: _____, Dan Gallagher in Wittlich to his mother in Cleveland, April 2, 1919.
- Folder 35: _____, Dan Gallagher in Wittlich to his father, Thomas Gallagher in Cleveland, April 5, 1919.
- Folder 36: _____, Dan Gallagher in Wittlich to his family in Cleveland, April 11, 1919.
- Folder 37: _____, Dan Gallagher in Wittlich to his parents in Cleveland, including his birthday poster, April 17, 1919.
- Folder 38: _____, Dan Gallagher to his family, April

27, 1919.

- Folder 39: _____, author and recipient unknown, letter regarding the history of the Knights of Columbus, April 27, 1919.
- Folder 40: _____, Dan Gallagher in Wittlich to his family in Cleveland, May 3, 1919.
- Folder 41: _____, Dan Gallagher in Wittlich to his mother in Cleveland, May 3, 1919.
- Folder 42: _____, Dan Gallagher in Wittlich, enclosing photographs, to his parents in Cleveland, May 4, 1919.
- Folder 43: _____, Dan Gallagher in Pau, France to his family in Cleveland, May 10, 1919.
- Folder 44: _____, Dan Gallagher in Sable, France, to his parents in Cleveland, June 3, 1919.
- Folder 45: _____, Dan Gallagher in Brest, France to his parents in Cleveland, June 10, 1919.
- Folder 46: _____, Winnifred Gallagher in Detroit, Michigan to her mother, Anna Gallagher in Lakewood, Ohio March 14, 1931.
- Folder 47: _____, P. McNally in Essex, United Kingdom, to his sister, with a photograph enclosed, December 17, 1935.
- Folder 48: _____, May in Venezuela to her aunt, Anna Gallagher in Lakewood, December 21, 1935.
- Folder 49: _____, Kate McNally in Sligo, Ireland, to her sister Anna Gallagher in Cleveland, undated.
- Folder 50: _____, Anna Gallagher in Sligo to her family in Cleveland, June 18, year unknown.
- Folder 51: _____, Anna Gallagher aboard the White Star Line to her family in Cleveland, August 14, year unknown.

- Folder 52: Envelopes from various European cities indicating that contents have passed censorship.
- Folder 53: Invitation, Dan Gallagher invited to attend the Military Solemn High Mass celebrating George Washington's birthday in Wittlich, Germany, February 22, 1919.
- Folder 54: Orders, special orders, American Expeditionary Forces Headquarters Seventh Army Corps regarding leave for Chaplain Daniel T. Gallagher, Germany, February 27, 1919.
- Folder 55: Newspaper clipping from Ireland regarding the annual pilgrimage to Croagh Patrick, Westport, County Mayo, 1914.
- Folder 56: Photographs, French priest, 1919.
_____, Dan Gallagher, undated.
_____, Fr. Sellinger, undated.
_____, May and Henry, 1935.
_____, Knights of Columbus, undated.
_____, Knights of Columbus, undated.
_____, boxing match, undated.
_____, Lourdes, France, undated.
_____, Charlemagne's Cathedral, France, undated.
- Folder 57: Postcards from Europe, 1914-1919 and undated.
- Folder 58: Program, White Star Line, S.S. Cedric, Program of Sports, June 23, 1914.
- Folder 59: Program, American Expeditionary Forces Headquarters, Seventh Army Corps Belgium, Thanksgiving Day Program November 26, 1918.
- Folder 60: Telegram, from O.J. McGint, receiver unknown, undated.