

CHURCHILL S. BOGER PAPERS, 1920-1921

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ABSTRACT

Churchill Shurpert Boger was born in October 1901 in South Bend, Indiana. As a young man in 1920, he trained at Camp Roosevelt, a Reserve Officers' Training Corps (R.O.T.C.) camp in Muskegon, Michigan. The camp opened around 1919, and Boger would have been in either the first or second class when he attended. He went on to teach school in Illinois. Boger moved to Charlotte, North Carolina in the late 1930s, and eventually owned and operated the Tryon Repair Service at 209 West Worthington Avenue. He died from cancer in September 1956, and is buried in Sharon Memorial Park in Charlotte.

This collection consists of a diary, correspondence, and a certificate.

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ACQUISITION

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HISTORICAL NOTE

Camp Roosevelt was developed around 1919 by Captain Frank L. Beals, head of the military department and supervisor of physical education of the Chicago schools. With the help of the war department, and the Camp Roosevelt Association, he created an R.O.T.C. and scouting summer school for high school boys focusing on military, athletic, social, religious, and academic education. Students came from across the United States to attend, and took courses on history and civics, Spanish, French, botany, zoology,

physics, chemistry, English, Latin, mathematics, and aviation. Boys were awarded medals for a variety of physical feats as well as target practice, enjoyed a military band, and read the *Camp Roosevelt News*. Camp Roosevelt and other similar camps continued throughout the 1920s.

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RELATED MATERIALS

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SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The Churchill S. Boger Papers consists of a diary written by Boger, during his time spent at Camp Roosevelt from July 1-August 28, 1920, correspondence, and a Teacher's Certificate. Nearly all of the collection is from 1920.

Certificates, 1920, contains a Teacher's Certificate issued by the State of Illinois to Boger, enabling him to teach Manual Training.

Correspondence, 1920, 1938, includes two letters to Boger from family members, as well as a letter and card from 1938. These items were found loose in the back of Boger's 1920 diary.

Diary, 1920-1921, contains Boger's (mostly) daily accounts, newspaper articles about the camp and occurrences there, correspondence, pictures, and artifacts such as a day pass and his 1st Sergeant's Chevron.

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