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Kenneth L. Veth Papers

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Creator: Captain Kenneth L. Veth, USN

Extent: Total boxes: 2

Cubic feet: .75

Inclusive Dates: 1941-1947

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Scope and Content Note:

This is the personal papers collection of Captain Kenneth L. Veth. The collection is on microfilm and has been printed out on paper from the microfilm.

The collection covers 1941-1947. During this period, Captain Veth was successively Assistant Naval Attache in London (1941-1942); attached to the Mine Warfare Section of the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations (1942-1943); Assistant Gunnery Officer on the Staff of Commander, Seventh Fleet (1943); Intelligence and Air Liaison Officer on the Staff of Supreme Allied Commander, Southeast Asia (1943-1945); and on duty with the Mine Warfare Section of the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations (1945-1947). In all three duties, the primary concern of Captain Veth was with mine warfare. While on the staff of the Supreme Allied Commander, Southeast Asia, he was given several decorations for the prominent role he played in the planning and execution of the aerial mining campaign in that theatre.

These files are composed of intelligence reports on mine warfare, official studies and memoranda relating to mining, letters with other individuals involved in the mining effort, and a small amount of strictly personal correspondence. They are of great value for showing the technical and tactical advances developed during the war in mining and especially in aerial minelaying. The records also document to some extent the problems and techniques of cooperation between the U.S. Navy, the Army Air Force, and the British Authorities in the Southeast Asia Area.

Series I: Personal and Official correspondence. 1941-1947. The print-out includes 4 folders arranged chronologically.

Box Listing

Box 1

Folder 1: Microfilm print-out arranged chronologically

Folder 2: Microfilm print-out arranged chronologically

Folder 3: Microfilm print-out arranged chronologically

Box 2

Folder 4: Microfilm print-out arranged chronologically

Folder 5: Misc. with microfilm