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OHA 130 Canham Collection

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Scope & Content: This collection consists of three scrapbooks of articles and newspaper clippings about amputees and prosthetics during the 1940s. While the majority of the clippings focus on World War II veterans, other subjects covered include accident victims, children, and individuals born without limbs, and amputees in general. Veterans recovering at Walter Reed General Hospital are represented, as are veterans resuming careers as professional athletes. The scrapbooks also document various court cases, including companies supplying prosthetics to veterans and the assistance given to veteran amputees by the military. Advertising and articles covering the J.E. Hanger Co. are also included, as the scrapbooks were compiled by Donald Canham, an orthopedic mechanic who worked for the company. A 1957 Hanger Co. catalog donated with the collection was transferred to the General Medical Products Information collection.

BOX AND CONTENT LIST

Box 001:

- Two photographs of the Hanger & Co.'s workroom
- *Life* magazine, 8 November 1968



- Canham scrapbook #1
- Canham scrapbook #2
- Canham scrapbook #3