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**Collection Title:** Roger F. Howe Papers

**Creator:** Howe, Roger Faxon (1896-1971)  
Howe, Edward Gardiner II

**Dates:** 1916-1918, undated

**Language:** English

**Extent:** .2 Linear Feet (1 box)

**Level of Description:** Folder Level

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**Acquisition Information:** Accession 1976.11. Donation from Alice Howe Palmer, November 17, 1976.

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**Processing Note:** These materials were found in association with the materials that make up the Edward G. Howe Papers. Materials were separated and organized by correspondent name and then chronologically.

**Biographical Sketch:** Roger Faxon Howe (1896-1971) was the seventh, and last, child born to Edward G. and Mary F. Howe. He attended the University of Illinois where he studied Agriculture. He devoted most of his professional life to the Continental Can Company as a Vice-President. Before this he spent

some years in the Air Force where he became a pilot. He served in the Aviation Section of the Signal Reserve Corps as a Second Lieutenant. He retained his love of flying and also developed a love for photography. He was married three times, first to Elizabeth Southworth, whom he later divorced, then to (Anna) Marion Bebb, who died while they were on a tour of Africa in 1967, and finally to Marcella Griffin.

**Scope and Content:** The materials are limited and focused around Roger’s time at college. The letters from his brother Edward and his wife Elsie discuss mostly family matters and work related issues in regards to farming and livestock.

**Related Resources:** The Newberry Library also has a large majority of his papers which were donated by Alice Howe Palmer, one of Edward G. Gardiner’s grand-daughters (Howe/Barnard Collection). Copies of genealogical research conducted by Alice Howe Palmer can be found in the People files in the collection manager’s office as well as a print copy of the finding aid for the Howe/ Barnard collection.

**Series Description:**

**Series 1: Correspondence (1916-1918, undated):**

This series contains correspondence in the form of letters. Correspondents are Roger’s father, Edward G. Howe I, his brother Edward G. Howe II, his brother Edward’s first wife, Elizabeth (Elsie) Southworth Howe, and “Frenchy.” The real name of “Frenchy” is not given, but due to the time period it is possibly a friend or roommate from his time at the University of Illinois.

**Series 2: Notes (1917):**

This series contains one notebook from Roger’s schooling at the University of Illinois. It consists of notes from two classes: Animal Husbandry and Agronomy.

**Container List:**

<b>Box 1</b>			
<b>Series 1: Correspondence (1916-1918, undated)</b>			
	1	Edward G. Howe I (Father)	1918, undated
	2	Edward G. Howe II (Brother)	1916-1918, undated
	3	Incomplete	1918, undated
	4	Elsie Hudson Howe (Brother Edward’s Wife)	1917-1918
	5	Frenchy	1917, undated
<b>Series 2: Notes (1917)</b>			
	6	Notebooks – School – Animal Husbandry/ Agronomy	1917