

# Guide to the Polly S. Buck Photograph Collection

RU 655



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**CALL NUMBER:** RU 655

**CREATOR:** Buck, Polly Stone

**TITLE:** Polly S. Buck photograph collection

**DATES:** 1944-1946

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 0.25 linear feet (1 box)

**LANGUAGE:** English

**SUMMARY:** The collection is comprised of photographs used in *We Minded the Store* Yale Life and Letters During World War II (1975) by Polly S. Buck. The photographs depict student life in Branford College, Yale University, during the years 1944-1946, a large majority of which are of the Navy ROTC. The collection also includes photographs of individual students and clippings.

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b.      box  
f.      folder

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## Administrative Information

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### Immediate Source of Acquisition

The materials were transferred from the School of Art, 2008.

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## Scope and Contents

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## General note

Forms part of Yale Record Group 13-D-4 (YRG 13-D-4), Audio-visual materials and memorabilia documenting Branford College.

Variant and related titles – "We minded the store : Yale life and letters during World War II."

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## Arrangement

The materials are arranged by alphabetically by date.

## Collection Contents

### Accession 19ND-A-186: Photographs

Pictures from her book, *We Minded the Store*. Yale during war years, based on WW II letters to her from Branford students. (Pictures donated with letters).

b. 1, f. 1	Army recruits (in front of Sterling Library)	
b. 1, f. 1	Soldiers marching on High Street	
b. 1, f. 1	Soldiers in Branford	
b. 1, f. 2	Soldiers in Branford	1944 April
b. 1, f. 2	Home on leave	
b. 1, f. 3	Air Corps on High Street	
b. 1, f. 3	Air Corps on Old Campus	
b. 1, f. 3	Marine Review	1944 May
b. 1, f. 4	Marines on York Street	
b. 1, f. 4	Marines leave	
b. 1, f. 4	Navy in Branford	1943 July
b. 1, f. 5	Navy in Branford	1944 Apr, May
b. 1, f. 5	Navy men on bicycle for two	1945 October
b. 1, f. 6	NROTC airing blankets in Branford	
b. 1, f. 6	NROTC in Branford court	1944 summer
b. 1, f. 6	NROTC in Branford gateway	1945 June
b. 1, f. 7	NROTC in Branford	1945 June
b. 1, f. 7	NROTC near Grove Street Cemetary	
b. 1, f. 8	Navy moves out	1946 February
b. 1, f. 8	Ice skating in Branford courtyard	1944 January
b. 1, f. 9	Students learning to put out incendiary bombs	
b. 1, f. 9	Rope climbing	
b. 1, f. 9	NROTC class	
b. 1, f. 9	Ju jitsu class	
b. 1, f. 10	Group photos of soldiers in Branford	
b. 1, f. 11	Group photos of soldiers at the Bucks' house	

b. 1, f. 11	Soldier with airplane
	Individuals
b. 1, f. 12	Goddard, George
b. 1, f. 12	Heizer, Ray
b. 1, f. 12	Johnson, William Noble
b. 1, f. 13	Low, R.F.
b. 1, f. 13	McCarthy, Charles
b. 1, f. 13	Mendell, Clarence - master of Branford
b. 1, f. 14	Meyer, Jerome, Jr.
b. 1, f. 14	Pitt, Theodore
b. 1, f. 14	Potter, David Samuel
b. 1, f. 14	Thorne, Francis B., Jr.
b. 1, f. 15	Flag between Branford and Saybrook
b. 1, f. 15	Squirrel in Branford Court
b. 1, f. 16	Clippings

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## Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

### Subjects

Student housing  
World War, 1939-1945 -- Education and the war

### Genres / Formats

Photographs

### Preferred Titles

*We minded the store : Yale life and letters  
during World War II*

### Corporate Bodies

Branford College (Yale University)  
United States. Navy  
Yale University -- History -- World War,  
1939-1945  
Yale University -- Student housing  
Yale University -- Students

### Contributors

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