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**Description**
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This collection is correspondence from Richard to his wife and additional letters addresses to Richard.

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Guide to the
Letters of Richard Schade (World War II)

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**Provenance:**
Purchased from Charles Apfelbaum

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**Scope and Content Notes:**

This collection is divided into two series: I. Letters from Richard Schade to his wife, Betty and II. Letters to Richard Schade from various acquaintances.

**Series I – Letters from Schade**

1-1 From Schade – Dated:
   - June 25, 1943
   - June 26, 1943
   - June 27, 1943
   - June 30, 1943
   - July 2, 1943
   - July 6, 1943

1-2 From Schade – Dated:
   - July 11, 1943
   - July 11, 1943
   - July 15, 1943
   - July 21, 1943
   - July 20, 1943
   - July 22, 1943
   - July 23, 1943
   - July 24, 1943

1-3 From Schade – Dated:
   - July 26, 1943
   - July 28, 1943
   - August 8, 1943
   - August 10, 1943
August 18, 1943
August 25, 1943
August 29, 1943
September 6, 1943
1-4 From Schade – Dated:
   June 20, 1944
   July 30, 1944
   July 31, 1944
   August 1, 1944
   August 16, 1944
   August 17, 1944
   September 19, 1944
   September 20, 1944

**Series II – Letters To Schade**

1-5 To Schade:
   From Cousin Jimmy at Naval Air Technical Training Center Memphis, TN:
      May 23, 1943
      June 6, 1943
      Undated
   From Seymour Ginsburg in Camp Wheeler, GA:
      May 18, 1943
   From Gilbert Hermes in Flushing, NY:
      June 10, 1943
      June 19, 1943