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## INVENTORY TO THE ROBERT J. GAGEN ENGINEERING TOOLS, 1933

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## Descriptive Summary

<b>Creator Information</b>	Gagen, Robert J.
<b>Title</b>	Robert J. Gagen's engineering tools
<b>Collection Identifier</b>	MSA 38
<b>Date Span</b>	1933
<b>Abstract</b>	The collection consists of three sets of engineering tools used by Robert Gagen while a student at Purdue University.
<b>Extent</b>	.25 cubic feet (1 small artifact box)
<b>Finding Aid Author</b>	Mary A. Sego
<b>Languages</b>	English
<b>Repository</b>	Virginia Kelly Karnes Archives and Special Collections Research Center, Purdue University Libraries

## Administrative Information

<b>Location Information:</b>	ASC
<b>Access Restrictions:</b>	Collection is open for research.
<b>Acquisition Information:</b>	Donation received from Susan Metsger on August 3, 2009.
<b>Accession Number:</b>	20090803
<b>Preferred Citation:</b>	MSA 38, Robert J. Gagen engineering tools, Archives and Special Collections, Purdue University Libraries

## Subjects and Genres

### **Persons**

Gagen, Robert J.,

### **Organizations**

Purdue University

### **Topics**

Purdue University--Alumni

### **Form and Genre Types**

Tools

### **Occupations**

Purdue University--Student

## **Biography of Robert J. Gagen**

Robert J. Gagen was a member of the Purdue University Class of 1933. He later served his country as a First Lieutenant in the United States Army during World War II, Southwest Pacific Theatre. He died as a prisoner of war at Camp Moji (Hospital) Fukuoka, Kyushu Island, Japan.

*Source(s):*

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and <http://aad.archives.gov/aad/record-detail.jsp?dt=466&mtch=1&cat=TS14&tf=F&q=Robert+J.+Gagen&bc=sl&rpp=10&pg=1&rid=29869>

## **Collection Description**

### **Scope**

Robert J. Gagen engineering tools (1933; .25 cubic feet) consists of three sets of engineering drafting/compass tools used by Gagen as a Purdue student. One of the sets has “Purdue” inscribed on the case.

### **Descriptive Rules**

Describing Archives: A Content Standard

### **Processing Information**

The tools have been wrapped and placed into an acid-free artifact box.

## DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE COLLECTION

### **Engineering Tools, 1933**

(.25 cubic feet)

#### **1 Box Contents**

##### Item

1. Compass along with two drafting tools and four attachments inside, 3" x 6.75" black, plastic, case with "Purdue" in gold (worn letters) on front.
2. Two compasses, two drafting tools and five attachments inside a 4" x 9" black case, with green felt interior.
3. Two compasses, two drafting tools and three attachments, with cleaning cloth, 10" x 4.5" blue "Riefler SPG 2/3" case, with blue felt interior.