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New Eisenhower Book Features Library and Museum Treasures

The Ike Files: Mementoes of the Man and his Era from the Eisenhower Presidential Library and Museum was published August 18 by Kansas City Star Books.

Kansas City Star staff writer Brian Burnes wrote the 272-page, full-color hardback book which tells the story of the five-star general and 34th President of the United States through documents, images, and artifacts from the holdings of the Eisenhower Presidential Library and Museum.

"Hundreds of scholars have used the library's records to write books about President Eisenhower," said library director Karl Weissenbach, "but this is the first book to give the records and artifacts a starring role."

The Ike Files includes snapshots of the future soldier at ease and at play, and love letters he wrote in the wee hours of a summer morning in Kansas. Here are notes written by the now high-ranking officer about short tempers in the military high command in the days after Pearl Harbor. Here, too, in the president's own handwriting, are the ideas he would use in an address to the nation as he ordered federal troops to Little Rock during that city's school desegregation crisis.

The Ike Files is available at the Eisenhower Presidential Library and Museum Gift Shop for \$29.95. It may also be ordered by calling the Library at (Toll Free) 1-877-746-4453.

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The proudest thing I can claim is that I am from Abilene. Dwight D. Eisenhower, Homecoming Speech, Abilene, Kansas, June 22, 1945

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