

Title: Pacholski, Vincent A. Collection

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Abstract: Vincent Pacholski was a Milwaukee contractor who founded the first Wisconsin State Guard during World War II. Born in Poland on July 2, 1883, Pacholski obtained a fake identification card and fled the country in 1902 to avoid being drafted into the Russian army. He settled in Milwaukee and became a successful contractor. He worked in bond drives and other patriotic activities during World War I, but wanted to do more for his adopted country during World War II. He formed the first Wisconsin State Guard in order to ensure that a standing militia would be available to serve and protect the people of Wisconsin during wartime. In 1960 he was named Honorary Commander of State Guard Veterans.

Scope and Content: Letters, awards, certificates, a magazine article on Vincent Pacholski, a photo information sheet, and an award of merit from the Milwaukee Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Men.

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