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**Scope & Content**

Henry Swartzentruber, an Amish conscientious objector from Meyersdale PA, maintained the diary. In June of 1941 he was sent to an abandoned CCC camp at Grottoes, VA operated by the Central Committee of the Mennonite Church. Day to day events is chronicled as well as references to the people and places in Augusta County. Also included is "The Story of Doris Dean" as written by Mr. Swartzentruber? This relates the hunt for a lost child in 1943. Mr. Swartzentruber with two other men found the child who had been lost five days in the mountains. In 1985 Mr. Swartzentruber and his family visited Doris Dean and her family.

**Historical/Biographical Note**

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**Organization/Arrangement**

1 bulletin (18 pages)

**Miscellaneous**