Lawrence Robert "Bob" Buol Collection

Box 1

This American Flag was knitted by Lawrence Buol during his imprisonment in Kunming, China by the Chinese Communists from January 1950 to September 1955. He learned to knit from one of the CAT wives during a long layover in Canton and used to annoy other pilots with his ball of yarn in the cockpit. He also knitted himself a sweater during those five and a half years, but had unraveled it to make a new one at the time he was released. He acquired the yarn from clotheslines in the compound where he was held.