Finding aid for the record of Kent County soldiers and sailors in service in the Great War (World War I) Collection 320

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Summary Information

Repository Grand Rapids Public Library, Grand Rapids History and Special

Collections Department

Title Record of Kent County soldiers and sailors in service in the Great War

(World War I)

Date [inclusive] 1917-1919

Extent 15.3 Linear feet 19 boxes

Language English

Abstract The Record of Kent County Soldiers and Sailors in Service in the Great

War is a collection made up of a single set of original records from

World War I. It contains typed forms, compiled in buckram ledger-type books alphabetically, by the name of the Kent County, Michigan soldiers serving. Three columns of information are captured: 1) Personal Record 2) War Record 3) Family Record. A microfilm copy is also now available. Also called the Census of World War I Veterans, there is a searchable

index on the Western Michigan Genealogical Society website.

Scope and Contents note

The process for capturing this information is unknown. A rare clipping is found on the entry page.

In July 2002, Evelyn Sawyer, of the Western Michigan Genealogical Society, began creating a database giving information on the soldiers name, date, parents names, and place of birth. See the microfilm for possible additional information. This database is located on the Western Michigan Genealogical Society Website under the name "Census of World War One Veterans, Kent County, Michigan."

Administrative Information

Publication Information

Grand Rapids Public Library, Grand Rapids History and Special Collections Department

Immediate Source of Acquisition note

Unknown

Related Materials

Related Archival Materials note

Coll. 318 Grand Rapids in World War I Collection, provides access to some small accessions of information on the Great War, as well as a list of several other GRPL archival collections related to this war.

Controlled Access Headings

Geographic Name(s)

• Grand Rapids (Mich.) -- History

Subject(s)

• World War, 1914-1918 -- Registers -- Michigan

Collection Inventory

Series I. Original Record Books	
Arrangement note	
Cards are arranged by alphabetically by last name.	
	Box
A-BEY	1
BIA-BUN	2
BUR-COZ	3
CRA-DLU	4
DOB-FOX	5
FRA-GYS	6
HA-HON	7
HOO-JUR	8
KA-KZ	9

LA-MAC	10
MCL-MR	11
MU-PEE	12
PE-REK	13
REL-SCH	14
SCI-SR	15
STA-TO	16
TOB-VEY	17
VIB-WHI	18
WIA-ZYL	19
Series II. Microfilm	
General note	
Located in Grand Rapids History & Special Collections microfilm cabinets	
	Box
A-Be	1

Bi-Car	2
Cas-Dennis, C	3
Dennis, C-Fos	4
Fou-Hardy	5
Harinck?-Ja	6
Je-Ks	7
Ku-Mac/McK	8
Mac/McL-Ne	9
Ni-P	10
Q-Sch	11
Sco-Str	12
Stu-Van H	13
Van K-Williams, V	14
Williams, W-Z	15