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WAR RECORDS COMMISSION

An Inventory of Its Miscellaneous Card Files

OVERVIEW OF THE RECORDS

Agency: Minnesota War Records Commission.
Series Title: Miscellaneous card files.
Dates: [191-]-[192-].
Quantity: 3.4 cu. ft. (4 boxes; 1 partial box).
Location: See Detailed Description section for box locations.

SCOPE AND CONTENTS OF THE RECORDS

Card files covering the following topics: World War I statewide enlistments and draft registrants, both by county and in a general alphabetical roster; Red Cross lists of severely wounded or killed in Minnesota, the Northern Division, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Montana; Ramsey County World War I historical data; U. S. Employment Service application cards, employer's orders, and referral cards; and Public Safety Commission speakers.

INDEX TERMS

This collection is indexed under the following headings in the catalog of the Minnesota Historical Society. Researchers desiring materials about related topics, persons or places should search the catalog using these headings.

Topics:

Draft registration—Minnesota.
Soldiers—Minnesota—Registers.
Veterans—Employment—Minnesota.
World War, 1914-1918—Registers of dead—Minnesota.
World War, 1914-1918—Registers of dead—Montana.
World War, 1914-1918—Registers of dead—North Dakota.
World War, 1914-1918—Registers of dead—South Dakota.

World War, 1914-1918—Veterans—Minnesota—Registers.
World War, 1914-1918—Veterans—Montana—Registers.
World War, 1914-1918—Veterans—North Dakota—Registers.
World War, 1914-1918—Veterans—South Dakota—Registers.
World War, 1914-1918—War work—Minnesota—Ramsey County.
World War, 1914-1918—War work—Red Cross.

Places:

United States—Armed forces—Recruiting, enlistment, etc.

Organizations:

American National Red Cross. Northern Division.
United States. Army—Recruiting, enlistment, etc.—World War, 1914-1918.
United States. Dept. of Labor.
United States Employment Service.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE COLLECTION

Note to Researchers: To request materials, please note the location shown below.

Location

112.F.20.6F-1 World War I, Compiled service roster of enlistments and draft registrants. 2 card sets.
Names, address, date and place enlisted, military unit, county and township/municipality registered in, date forwarded, registrar's certificate number. Both alphabetical by county; thereunder alphabetical by surname.
A-Y.
A-Y, St. Paul, Minneapolis.

Location

- 112.F.20.6F-1 General roster, form of entry abbreviations. 2 card sets.
 Apparently as used in the compiled service roster (above).
 Miscellaneous cards, apparently instruction and samples.
 [Place names and service units?].
 A-Q.
- 112.F.20.6F-2 R-Z.
 [Service type and miscellaneous?], A-Z.
Red Cross, World War I, slightly wounded.
 Name, city/county/state, street address, rank, and date (apparently
 of wounding). Alphabetical by surname; two copies of each—
 ribbon version on a paper slip, carbon version on card stock.
 A-Ste.
- 112.F.20.7B-1 Sti-Z.
Red Cross, World War I, Minnesota, severely wounded or killed.
 Name, city/county/state, street address, rank, and a date
 (apparently of wounding or death). Alphabetical by county;
 thereunder by surname.
Red Cross, World War I, Northern Division, severely wounded or killed.
 Name, city/county/state, street address, rank, and a date
 (apparently of wounding or death). Alphabetical by surname.
Red Cross, World War I, North Dakota, severely wounded or killed.
 Name, city/county/state, street address, rank, and a date
 (apparently of wounding or death). Alphabetical by county;
 thereunder by surname.
 A-R.
- 112.F.20.7B-2 S-Z.
Red Cross, World War I, South Dakota and Montana, severely wounded
or killed.
 Name, city/county/state, street address, rank, and a date
 (apparently of wounding or death). Alphabetical by county
 within each state; thereunder by surname.
Ramsey Notes, World War I.
 Card file notes with historical data on various military units,
 recruitment and draft activities, and related topics, subdivided
 topically. Also an alphabetical directory of war agencies, many
 with notes on organization dates and circumstances and officers.

Location

112.F.20.7B-2

U. S. Employment Service application cards.
Form BRS-1 Soldier's Application Card, Dept. of Labor, U. S. Employment Service. Name, date reporting, place where work is wanted, permanent address, marital status, number of dependents, whether speaks/reads/writes English, whether and where a position has been promised, kind of work desired, age, height, weight, race, information on pre-war employment. Some are annotated on the reverse side with positions offered. They are in a very rough alphabetical order.

A-R.

112.F.20.8F-1

S-Z.

U. S. Employment Service employer's orders, 1919.
Employer name, address, date, type of work available, number of employees wanted, wages, hours, probably duration of work, nationality/sex/age/race/marital status preferences, who to apply to, whether any strike or lockout is threatened. On the reverse side is a form to record the help sent: name(s), nationality, date sent, and result of each referral; often but not always filled out. Also a small set of similar applications for farm help.

U. S. Employment Service referral cards, 1919.
Records date, employer, and name of employee being sent; space at bottom for employer to check whether hired or not and to sign before mailing back.