

**McLean County Museum of History**

**Civil War Collection**

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**Collection Information**

VOLUME OF COLLECTION:	2 Boxes
COLLECTION DATES:	1861-2022
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OTHER FINDING AIDS:	Listed at end of Finding Aid
LOCATION:	Archives
NOTES:	

## Brief History

When war was declared in April 1861, Richard Yates, Governor of the State of Illinois and Commander-in-Chief of the Militia, called for volunteers to enlist. The “gallant sons” of McLean County answered the call. More than 6,866 McLean County soldiers served in many regiments, mostly Illinois regiments but also the 55th Massachusetts Infantry Regiment (13 African American recruits), the 29th United States Colored Infantry Regiment (26 Bloomington-area soldiers), and the Eighth Missouri Infantry, led by Lieutenant Colonel Giles Smith of Bloomington (121 soldiers from McLean County). For a list of the companies where McLean County soldiers served, see *It Is Begun! The Pantagraph Reports the Civil War*, ed. Don Munson, Bloomington: McLean County Historical Society, 2001. [List also in Folder B1]

## Scope

The Civil War Collection is divided into four major categories: Efforts by the United States generally; about Illinois and McLean County; military units in which McLean County men served; and individual soldiers. Items in the United States category include songs, general information about soldiers’ pensions, and the work of the U. S. Sanitary Commission and the Ordnance Office.

Specific information about McLean County soldiers and civilians comprises the remainder of this collection and may serve to supplement or give a personal voice to military information available in books and other published sources. In folders relating to military units and individual soldiers, one may find some original documents, such as letters written by soldiers to family back home. Most often, there are only one or two items connected with any individual, so we organize those items in alphabetical, not individual, folders. The finding aid describes each item.

## Box and Folder Inventory

### Box 1

#### A The United States

##### Folder A1 Civil War Music and Stories

- A.1.1 “Happy Land of Canaan,” original and photocopy.
- A.1.2 “Jeff. Davis’ Last Ditch,” original and photocopy.
- A.1.3 *Songs of the Civil War*. Ed. Irwin Silber. New York: Dover Publications, Inc, 1995, includes photocopy of title page, copyright page, pp. 7-8 of background information.
- A.1.4 Title page and list of songs for *Music Publishing in Chicago Before 1871: The Firm of Root & Cady, 1858-1871*, Dena J. Epstein, 1969, photocopy.
- A.1.5 “Girls of ’61 Make Great Year’s Work,” photocopy of newspaper article from the Sue Pike Sanders Collection about organization of women, forerunners of the Bloomington Red Cross chapter, *Pantagraph*[?], undated.
- A.1.6 *Charlie the Drummer-Boy* by Sarah Schoonmaker Baker, American Tract Society, 16pp. Written on p.1 is name (indecipherable) and 1862. Original, photocopy and WorldCat record.

**Folder A2 Pension Information**

- A.2.1 Circular to file with pension certificate, Office of United State Agent for the Payment of Pensions, Jno. A. Norris, U.S. Agent for the Payment of Pensions, Columbus, Ohio, 1870, original.
- A.2.2 Flyer from J. B. Cralle, U. S. Claim Attorney, Washington, D. C. advertising services regarding application for increased pension. On reverse is list of men with successful claims., original.
- A.2.3 Flyer, Four Classes of Claims, from Jos. H. Hunter, U. S. Claim Attorney, original.
- A.2.4 Circular: Information for Soldiers and Their Heirs!, E. S. Weeden, Chicago, listing and brief explanation of various laws regarding pensions, for widows and children, commutation of rations while a POW, about charges of desertion.

**Folder A3 Newspapers**

- A.3.1 Email from Rochelle Gridley to Bill Kemp, summarizing material included in A.3.2.
- A.3.2 Packet of transcripts of newspapers containing 3 Normal Pickets, 1 Weekly Vanguard, 1 Great West, 1 Swamp Angel, 2 letters from a Confederate soldier and various passes and permits.
- A.3.3 The Daily Citizen, Vicksburg, Mississippi, description from The Library of Congress.

**Folder A4 Ordnance Office**

- A.4.1 Instructions Relating to the Issuing of Blank Forms, Ordnance Office, War Department, December 17, 1864. Handwritten note on bottom; attached envelope addressed to Lt. A. S. Tuttle.
- A.4.2 Pamphlet, Quarterly Return of Ordnance and Ordnance Stores, blank, c.1862, 2 copies.

**Folder A5 Lee's Surrender**

- A.5.1 Facsimile of Lee's Surrender, April 10, 1865.
- A.5.2 Cover for facsimile of Lee's General Order Number Nine, with note indicating given to the History Society by Bill Matheson, January 1956.
- A.5.3 "Farewell to the Army of Northern Virginia" inserted in facsimile, Chicago: The Lakeside Press, R. R. Donnelley & Sons, Co.

**B Illinois and McLean County**

**Folder B1 Illinois Military Units**

- B.1.1 "Condensed Histories of the Illinois Military Units in the Civil War" by Carl L. Martin, 1992, 21pp.
- B.1.2 Where Did McLean County's Soldiers Serve? From *It Is Begun! The Pantagraph Reports the Civil War*. Ed. Don Munson. Bloomington: The McLean County Historical Society, 2001.

**Folder B2 "McLean County During the Civil War"**

- B.2.1 "McLean County During the Civil War" by Alexander G. Ridinger. Master's thesis, University of Illinois, 1936, 82pp typescript in poor condition.
- B.2.2 Catalog listing of the above thesis, bound photocopy of which is in the MCMH's library.

**Folder B3 "Bloomington: Summer of '63"**

- B.3.1 "Bloomington – Summer of '63" by Lloyd Watkins, lecture presented April 7, 2002, place not given, 13pp.

**Flder B4      Battles, Deaths and POWs**

- B.4.1      List of Battles During the War, by year, and List of McLean Soldiers Killed or Died During the War by unit. Original pamphlet from scrapbook and photocopy, 4pp.
- B.4.2      McLean County Prisoners of War—working list, compiled September 2023.

**Folder B5      Passes, Military and Civilian**

- B.5.1      Military Pass, Clarksville, Tennessee, October? 22, 1864.
- B.5.2      Permission to be Absent From Camp, Montgomery, February 10, 1862.
- B.5.3      Pass for J. S. Beard, January 25, 1861.
- B.5.4      Obituary and Funeral Notice for Joseph S. Beard, *Pantagraph*, October 30 and November 1, 1886.
- B.5.5      Three-day pass for [first name unknown] Thorpe, within the lines of the Army of the Frontier, August 14, 1861.

**Folder B6      Civilian Involvement**

- B.6.1      Handwritten transcription, undated, of presentation of flags to Company C of the 20th Illinois Infantry, Presentation Speech by Lina Cradlebaugh, May 9, 1861.
- B.6.2      Typescript (2pp) and original (7pp) of untitled manuscript on presentation of flags to Civil War units.
- B.6.3      Letter about O. M. Babcock's involvement with Camp Douglas conspiracy, signed by W. J. Hatch, K. H. Fell, and James Allin, Jr., dated January 18, 1865. Photocopy of original and typescript.
- B.6.4      Statement about the involvement of Professor and Mrs. Robert Conover, of Bloomington, with the Christian Sanitary Commission in Summer 1864. Typescript (2pp) and original (7pp).

**Folder B7      Local Publications**

- B.7.1      "It Is Begun!' McLean County Reacts to Ft. Sumter and Prepares for Civil War" by Robert C. Bray, *For the People: A Newsletter of the Abraham Lincoln Association*, 11.1 (Spring 2011): 1-2,4-5.
- B.7.2      *An Inside View of The Rebellion*. Henry Conkling, Bloomington. Chicago: Tribune, 1864, 24pp.
- B.7.3      Flyer, "The Civil War comes to central Illinois on September 23" regarding PBS series on WILL-TV. Features quote by Sarah Withers, resident of Bloomington.
- B.7.4      Cover and two inside pages of *Patterns*, WILL-TV magazine, September 1990 about Civil War series, features quote by Sarah Withers, resident of Bloomington.

**C      Military Units**

**Folder C1      Army of the Frontier**

- C.1.1      "Army of the Frontier," <wikipedia.org>, April 3, 2023.
- C.1.2      Letter from Brig. Gen. F. J. Herron on promotion, including W. W. Orme, November 12, 1862.
- C.1.3      Printed letter from Brig. Gen. F. J. Herron congratulating the Army of the Frontier on its recent victory, December 10, 1892.
- C.1.4      Booklet, handsewn, of copies of General Orders, from April 1 to May 27, 1863.

**Folder C2      Eighth Missouri Volunteer Infantry**

- C.2.1 *The Zouave Register*, September 4, 1861, photocopy, 4pp. *The Zouave Register* was printed under the direction of the American Zouaves, Eighth Regiment Missouri Volunteers.
- C.2.2 "Co. 'D' Eighth Missouri Vol. Infantry," typescript, 6pp. Summary of battles, listings of personnel in the company.
- C.2.3 "Co. 'D' Eighth Missouri Vol. Infantry," original handwritten ms, 8pp. Summary of battles, listings of personnel in the company.
- C.2.4 Summary written by W. E. Stevens of the Company, describing the organization of the company in Bloomington, June 1861, and subsequent activities, includes names of company personnel. Untitled, typescript, 7pp.
- C.2.5 Summary written by W. E. Stevens of the Company, describing the organization of the company in Bloomington, June 1861, and subsequent activities, includes names of company personnel. Original handwritten ms, 32pp, of Summa
- C.2.6 "W. E. Stevens Is Dead," *The Daily Pantagraph*, November 28, 1911. Obituary and description of funeral service. He served in Co. D, Eighth Missouri Volunteers.

**Folder C3      Thirty-Third Illinois Infantry Regiment**

- C.3.1 Announcement (from *Pantagraph?*) for solicitation of volunteers from Bloomington, August 13, 1861.

**Folder C4      Thirty-Ninth Illinois Volunteer Infantry Regiment**

- C.4.1 Proceedings of the first annual reunion of the 39th Illinois Volunteer Infantry held at Pontiac, February 22, 1882. Image of American flag on front cover.
- C.4.2 Program for Reunion of the Yates Phalanx, 39th Illinois Infantry, Bloomington, February 21, 1884.
- C.4.3 Program for annual reunion of the 39th Regiment, Gibson City, October 9, 1890. Small bifold with regimental camp image on front.

**Folder C5      Co. A Third Illinois Cavalry & Co. A Fifty-Third U.S. Colored Infantry**

- C.5.1 Summary of military experience of Capt. Thomas Brown Rhodes, first with the Third Illinois Cavalry, then the Fifty-Third U.S. Colored Infantry. Includes descriptions of movement and battles, 4pp.
- C.5.1 Brief summary of the movements of the 53rd Regiment Infantry.
- C.5.2 Email exchange between Greg Koos and Mark Wyman regarding a 1863 muster roll for the Colored Infantry, September 17, 2001.
- C.5.3 Muster Roll and Pay Voucher for the Fifty-Third Regiment, May 12, 1864. Lists individual men, muster service, amounts paid.

**Folder C6      Co. D Sixty-Third Illinois Volunteer Infantry**

- C.6.1 Letter from Sgt. Leroy H. Cherington to J. H. Burnham with brief history of Co. D Sixty-Third Illinois Volunteer Infantry, May 3, 1915, typescript.
- C.6.2 Letter from Sgt. Leroy H. Cherington to J. H. Burnham with brief history of Co. D Sixty-Third Illinois Volunteer Infantry, May 3, 1915, original handwritten, 3pp.

**Folder C7      Other Units, Miscellaneous**

- C.7.1 Letter from Sgt. Leroy H. Cherington to J. H. Burnham with brief history of Co. D Sixty-Third Illinois Volunteer Infantry, May 3, 1915, typescript.
- C.7.2 Letter from Sgt. Leroy H. Cherington to J. H. Burnham with brief history of Co. D

- C.7.3 Sixty-Third Illinois Volunteer Infantry, May 3, 1915, original handwritten, 3pp.  
Twenty-Eighth Infantry, Adjutant General's Report, pp. 433-435. Two names are marked: Edwin F. Durell and George Cooney.

## Box 2

### D Individuals

Note: Documents on Individuals are alphabetical by surname within each folder.

#### Folder D1 Individuals B-C

- D.1.1 Babcock, Oliver: Letter to Lincoln on Babcock's behalf, signed by G. K. Fell, James Allin, Jr, et al, December 30, 1864, photocopy.
- D.1.2 Chester Barney: Excerpts from "Recollections of Field service with the 20th Ia. Inf." B
- D.1.3 Capt. Chester Barney, Davenport 1865, handwritten (4pp) and typescript (4pp). Also note on McLean County Historical Society notepaper: see Chicago Tribune, September 14, 1966, and December 18, 1966.
- D.1.4 John Charles Black. Program for the memorial service of John Charles Black, Colonel 37th Illinois Infantry, and Bvt. Brig. Gen. U.S.V., who died in Chicago, August 17, 1915.
- D.1.5 Henry H. Bowles. Biographical information on Henry Bowles
- D.1.6 Henry H. Bowles. Illinois Civil War Muster and Descriptive Rolls Detail Report.
- D.1.7 Henry H. Bowles, <familysearch.org>, July 27, 2022.
- D.1.8 Henry H. Bowles, certification of enlistment on February 29, 1864, from Adjutant General of Illinois.
- D.1.9 John C. Coblentz. Obituary, *Pantagraph*, August 14, 1931.
- D.1.10 John C. Coblentz. Discharge certificate from 113th Regiment of Ohio Infantry Volunteers, July 6, 1865.
- D.1.11 John C. Coblentz. Recipe for Government Whitewash., handwritten.
- D.1.12 George Cooney. Discharge certificate from 28th Regiment of Illinois Infantry Volunteers, September 2, 1864.

#### Folder D2 Individuals D-G

- D.2.1 Joel Decker, <findagrave.com>, September 12, 2022.
- D.2.2 Joel Decker, Illinois Civil War Muster and Descriptive Rolls Detail Report.
- D.2.3 Joel Decker. Certificate of issuance of pension, Department of the Interior, February 16, 1892.
- D.2.4 James Downey. <findagrave.com>, September 12, 2022,
- D.2.5 James Downey, Illinois Civil War Muster and Descriptive Rolls Detail Report.
- D.2.6 James Downey, Certificate of discharge from Co. A, 150th Regiment of Illinois Infantry Volunteers, January 16, 1866.
- D.2.7 James Downey, Certificate of discharge from Thirty-sixth Regiment of Illinois Infantry Volunteers, September 22, 1864. One-fourth torn off.
- D.2.8 Jefferson Dunn. Copies of correspondence between Rev. Robert Dunn, Patricia Hamilton (Librarian/Archivist of the McLean County Museum of History), and Greg Koos (Executive Director of the McLean County Museum of History), regarding donation of the two certificates described below, as well as copy of gift certificate, January 20-April 29, 2003,
- D.2.9 Jefferson Dunn. Color scans of two certificates which were donated to the McLean

County Historical Society by Robert E. Dunn, February 20, 2003. Certificates are for Captain Jefferson Dunn, 32nd Illinois, Co. D, and the Soldiers' Memorial of the same company. Framed certificates are in archival storage.

- D.2.10 Roland N. Evans. Obituary, *Pantagraph*, April 16, 1916.
- D.2.11 Roland N. Evans, <findagrave.com>, April 3, 2023.
- D.2.12 Roland N. Evans, sketch "Quarters of Lieut. R. N. Evans," Handwritten note on top "Sketched by Frank Leslie's Artist on the Field (1862)", pasted on cardstock with clippings on the reverse connected to Evans.
- D.2.13 Warren M. Fales. Civil War Bond for \$300 issued February 4, 1895, by Board of Supervisors of the County of McLean, Illinois, with original Internal Revenue stamps.
- D.2.14 Warren M. Fales. Civil War Bond for \$300 issued February 4, 1895, by Board of Supervisors of the County of McLean, Illinois, with original Internal Revenue stamps, writing on reverse.
- D.2.15 Jacob Gaskill. Certificate of Appointment to 1st Corporal, Co. G, Fifth Cavalry Regiment Illinois Volunteers, January 1, 1865.
- D.2.16 Nicholas Geschwind, <findagrave.com>, September 12, 2022.
- D.2.17 Nicholas (Necolas) Geschwind, biographical and war service information.
- D.2.18 Nicholas Geschwind. Correspondence and information about Geschwind, May 13-31, 1984, 5pp.
- D.2.19 Nicholas Geschwind. Correspondence between James F. Hudson and Barbara Dunbar regarding dedication of new Village Park fountain in memory of Nicholas Geschwind in Saybrook, Illinois, May 8-11, 1984.

### **Folder D3      Individuals H**

- D.3.1 Milton L. Haney. "Medal of Honor, Man of Honor: Chaplain Milton L. Haney, 55th Illinois Volunteers" by B. R. Maryniak, *The Famous Long Ago* newsletter, Buffalo (NY) & Erie County Historical Society, undated. 6pp.
- D.3.2 William Hinshaw. Reminiscences, handwritten (7pp) and typescript 5pp)
- D.3.3 Jacob H. Hiser. Biographical information and copies of the following newspaper articles: "Death of Jacob Hiser," "Funeral of Jacob H. Hiser," and "Jacob Hiser Was a Union Soldier," May 28, 1908.
- D.3.4 "Jacob H. Hiser: A P.O.W. in 1864 U.S.A." by Norm Hiser, October 2012, 3pp.
- D.3.5 Joseph G. Howell. Information about Howell's education and military experience. Several newspaper clippings about the battle of Pittsburg Landing, Fort Donelson (February 1862) where he was killed, article from the 25th anniversary book at Illinois State University, and list of other resources.
- D.3.6 Joseph Hughes. Obituary, *Pantagraph*, December 15, 1903.
- D.3.7 Joseph Hughes. Certificate of Discharge from Co. D, 24th Regiment of Wisconsin Infantry Volunteers, May 23, 1865, envelope addressed to Thirza Hughes, Bloomington, Illinois, from Treasury Department, postmarked October 12, 1910.
- D.3.8 Joseph Hughes. Notification of Disallowance from Treasury Department sent to Thirza Hughes, widow, February 13, 1911, with envelope.
- D.3.9 David J. Hull. Illinois Civil War Muster and Descriptive Rolls Detail Report.
- D.3.10 David J. Hull. Leave of Absence passes, November 13-25, 26-30, 30-December 2, 1861.
- D.3.11 From Department of the Interior, Pension Office, claim for Luey P. Hull, mother of David J. Hull, April 8, 1889.

### **Folder D4      Individuals I**

- D.4.1 Lewis E. Ijams. "Capture and Escape," photocopy, 13pp.

- D.4.2 Lewis E. Ijams. "Capture and Escape," original typescript, fragile condition, 13pp.
- D.4.3 Edward H. Ingraham. Listing in *History of Stark County* from Toulon Public Library, faxed September 14, 2001.
- D.4.4 Edward H. Ingraham. "Diary of E. H. Ingraham, Co. B 33rd Illinois, typescript, 31pp.
- D.4.5 Edward H. Ingraham. Correspondence between Randy Beck and Barbara Dunbar regarding donation of diary typescript, August 3-September 6, 1985, 3pp.
- D.4.6 Edward H. Ingraham. Gift agreement and correspondence with Randy Beck regarding donation, August 15, 1985.
- D.4.7 Almon T. Ives. Clippings regarding A. T. Ives' experience as POW: "Sufferings of War Prisoners," *Pantagraph*, March 22, 1900; "Recalls When He Was a Prisoner," *Pantagraph*, January 4, 1922; "A. T. Ives Recalls When as a Boy He Gave Indian Dime," source unknown; "The Heroes of 1864," source unknown.

**Folder D5 Individuals J-L**

- D.5.1 John W. January. "Death of John W. January" obituary, *The Times* (Streator, Illinois), November 28, 1906, 3pp.
- D.5.2 John W. January. Listings in *Adjutant General's Report*, 2pp.
- D.5.3 John W. January. *Pantagraph* short clippings: February 9, 1868/1888; January 15, 1883; January 30, 1883.
- D.5.4 John W. January. "Death of Valentine Rivers," *The Minier News*, February 29, no year. Describes entertaining John W. January.
- D.5.5 John W. January. "John January and the PocketKnife," Lonnie R. Speer, *Civil War Times*, February 2004, pp-40-56.
- D.5.6 John W. January. Correspondence between Library Volunteer and Judy E. Knoblock, June 27-30, 1999.
- D.5.7 Johnson Brothers: Andrew P., Joshua H., Thomas J., William G., George Washington Barnett. Biographical information and photocopies of photographs for Thomas, George Washington, and William, 3pp.
- D.5.8 Henry M. Kellogg. "In Memoriam," photocopy, likely from Massachusetts newspaper.
- D.5.9 Henry M. Kellogg. Letter from Michael R. Cunningham to William Rodtz, McLean County Historical Society, covering copy of annotated inventory of Capt. Henry Kellogg's personal effects and a transcript of his three diaries, June 8, 1992. The inventory of personal effects is catalogued in MCMH's collection.
- D.5.10 Leroy L. Key. Biographical information sheet.
- D.5.11 Leroy L. Key. Chapter 62 from *Andersonville* by John McElroy describing Key's experience as POW in Andersonville and adventures subsequent to executions, 5pp.
- D.5.12 Leroy L. Key. Illinois Civil War Detail Report, <ilsos.gov>, December 12, 2009, 2pp.
- D.5.13 Nicolas King. Certificate of Exemption for Disability, January 18, 1865.
- D.5.14 William A Long. Form letter from National Tribune describing benefits of pension bill for physical or age disabilities, August 21, 1920; from Long describing his condition and requesting increase in pension, November 23, 1920; letter from National Tribune indicating his application was forwarded to the Commissioner of Pensions, January 21, 1921.

**Folder D6 Individuals M-R**

- D.6.1 William McMahanah. Document from Bureau of Pensions certifying Catharine McMahanah would receive widow's pension, June 28, 1917.
- D.6.2 John North. Illinois Civil War Muster and Descriptive Rolls Details Report and photocopy of Civil War Discharge, June 21, 1865.



- D.6.3 T. B. Packard. "Calvary Charger," reminiscence of 5th Illinois Calvary charge in June 1863. Original, handwritten, 6pp.
- D.6.4 T. B. Packard. "Calvary Charger," reminiscence of 5th Illinois Calvary charge in June 1863. Photocopy, handwritten, 6pp. and photocop
- D.6.5 James B. Patterson. Certification of his military service, State of Illinois, July 29, 1890, original and photocopy
- D.6.6 James B. Patterson. Resolutions of Respect in memory of, who died January 25, 1919, original and photocopy
- D.6.7 John C. Roeder. "Hunting Guerillas," handwritten, original, 6pp.
- D.6.8 John C. Roeder. "Hunting Guerillas," typescript, 3pp.

**Folder D7 Individuals S-T**

- D.7.1 Samuel M. Shaw. Appointment to Second Lieutenant in the Tenth Regiment Louisiana Volunteers of African descent, March 19, 1864; and acceptance letter, April 7, 1864.
- D.7.2 Samuel M. Shaw. "A Brave Man Gone," *Pantagraph*, August 25, 1871, clipping and typescript.
- D.7.3 Samuel M. Shaw. Pages from *Adjutant General's Report* indicating Samuel M. Shaw's reenlistment and discharge from Thirty-third Infantry.
- D.7.4 Lee Smith. "Experiences of an Army Surgeon: Dr. Lee Smith Talks of the Suffering He Witnessed in the Civil War – How He Entered Service," *Daily Pantagraph*, December 9, 1905, typescript, 5pp.
- D.7.5 Benjamin/Benoni Sprague. "Death at Saybrook," *Daily Pantagraph*, June 20, 1908, reporting his death.
- D.7.6 Benjamin/Benoni Sprague. "Brothers Give Father's Medal to County," *Daily Pantagraph*, February 15, 1930.
- D.7.7 Benjamin/Benoni Sprague. "Legion To Decorate Grave Of Medal of Honor Winner," *Daily Pantagraph*, May 30, 1963.
- D.7.8 Francis Springer. "The Preacher's Tale: The Civil War Journal of Reverend Francis Springer," transcribed and edited William Furry. Sangamon County Historical Society, no date, 12pp, 2 copies.
- D.7.9 Henry C. Steere. Illinois Civil War Muster and Descriptive Rolls.
- D.7.10 Henry C. Steere. Volunteer Enlistment, August 18, 1862.
- D.7.11 William Stillhammer. "William Stillhammer" compiled from recollection of William Hinshaw and H. W. Stillhammer. Handwritten mss (7pp) and typescript.
- D.7.12 William Henry Harrison Swaim. Biographical and summary of the Battle of Shiloh, April 6-7, 1862, 2pp.
- D.7.13 William Henry Harrison Swaim. "Henry H. Swaim Fired First Shot for Union in Battle of Shiloh," *Daily Pantagraph*, April 10, 1926, typescript from *Gleanings From the Heart of the Cornbelt*, McLean County Genealogical Society, 2.2 (June 1977), 3pp.
- D.7.14 William Henry Harrison Swaim. "Henry H. Swaim, 91, Civil War Veteran Dies at Home Here," *Pantagraph*, February 25, 1932.
- D.7.15 T. Titus. Oath of Allegiance, March 7, 1865.
- D.7.16 T. Titus. Certificate of oath of allegiance, District of West Tennessee, April 24, 1865.

**Folder D8 Giles A. Smith**

- D.8.1 "Giles A. Smith: Civil War General in the West" by David Butler, December 2, 1976, 25pp.
- D.8.2 Printed Photo of Giles A. Smith, publication unknown.

- D.8.3 Certificate of commission on December 26, 1861, as Captain in Co. D, Eighth Regiment Infantry, Missouri Volunteers, April 8, 1898.
- D.8.4 Certificate of commission on June 12, 1862, to Lt. Colonel in Eighth Regiment Infantry Missouri Volunteers, April 8, 1898.
- D.8.5 Certificate of commission on August 8, 1862, to Colonel in Eighth Regiment Infantry Missouri Volunteers, April 8, 1898
- D.8.6 Header sheet from National Archives.
- D.8.7 Receipt from War Department indicating receipt of request for information about Giles A. Smith and summary of his service, April 9, 1883, photocopy.
- D.8.8 Documents supporting request for increase of pension request on behalf of Martha M. Smith, widow of Giles A. Smith, 12pp, photocopies. Documents include affidavits of statements of service by witnesses who served with Smith.
- D.8.9 Records of marriage between Giles A. Smith and Martha McLain on July 31, 1856, 2pp, photocopies.
- D.8.10 Records of Muster Rolls, card numbers, and other information relating to Smith's service, with covering letter from the National Archives, 17pp, photocopies.

#### **Folder D9 Unknown Soldier**

Note: The following items relate to an unknown Union soldier's death in Saybrook in October 1862, Dr. James J. Ballard, who treated him, and memorials by citizens in Cheney's Grove Township Cemetery. Clippings from the *Pantagraph* unless noted otherwise.

- D.9.1 "Dr. James L. Ballard," obituary, September 1, 1906.
- D.9.2 "Story of Unknown Union Soldier Is Still Told by Saybrook War Veterans," May 11, 1929, 2pp.
- D.9.3 "Ge. Harbord's Former Saybrook Home Found; Club to Erect Tablet," December 14, 1929. Reference to Dr. Ballard's connection to unknown soldier.
- D.9.4 "Saybrook, No Less Than Other, Larger Communities, Has Its Unknown Soldier," August 26, 1930, with sketch of the house where the Union soldier stopped for a doctor, 3pp.
- D.9.5 "Unknown Soldier Finds Hospitality," *Pontiac News Review*, February 24, 1938, note incorrect date in story.
- D.9.6 "Saybrook's Unknown Soldier," *Gleanings From the Heart of the Cornbelt*, 39.1 (Spring 2005): 5-6.
- D.9.7 Scan of photo of marker in Cheney's Grove Township Cemetery, Saybrook, taken by Bill Kemp, January 2005.
- D.9.8 "Civil War unknown soldier laid to rest in Saybrook," May 28, 2006.

#### **Folder D10 Individuals W**

- D.10.1 Henry M. Waite. Civil War Discharge, March 29, 1865.
- D.10.2 E. M. Wales. Certificate from The National Association of Battle of Shiloh Survivors showing he served in Co. D, Seventeenth Regiment Illinois Volunteer Infantry and is a life member, June 29, 1906.
- D.10.3 O. A. Wales. Certificate from The National Association of Battle of Shiloh Survivors showing he served in Co. D, Seventeenth Regiment Illinois Volunteer Infantry and is a life member, June 29, 1906.
- D.10.4 M. Wefley. Report of the part taken by Battery B, First Missouri Light Artillery in the siege of Vicksburg, July 8, 1863. Original and transcription, 3pp.
- D.10.5 Henry Welmirling. Service record and transcript of attached handwritten pass, May 30,

- 1863.
- D.10.6 Henry Wellmerling. Certificate of entitlement of pension, Bureau of Pensions.
  - D.10.7 Henry Wellmerling. Claim for payment of pension for April 4 – July 4, 1908.
  - D.10.8 Henry Wellmerling. Gift agreement from Jim Raymond, family member of Wellmerling, November 30, 2022.
  - D.10.9 Clarendon W. Wheelock. Muster-in roll, Fifth Regiment Illinois Calvary, January 16, 1865.
  - D.10.10 Clarendon W. Wheelock. Commission for Captain, Fifth Illinois Calvary, May 19, 1865
  - D.10.11 George Washington Whisler, biographical information; discharge certificate from Co. F Merrills Horse 3rd Missouri regiment June 15, 1865; copy of headstone application.
  - D.10.12 Henry A. Winter. Discharge certificate from Co. B, Eleventh Regiment of Wisconsin, August 2, 1862.
  - D.10.13 Henry A. Winter. Discharge certificate from Co. B, Forty-Fourth Regiment of Indiana Infantry Volunteers, September 14, 1865.
  - D.10.14 James Wishard. Entitlement of pension for Sarah J. Wishard, widow and envelope postmarked October 15, 1903.

**Other files and collections relating to the Civil War:**

Civil War Era Correspondence

Exhibit – Civil War vertical file

Isaac Funk vertical file

Grand Army of the Republic

E[dward] J. Lewis Correspondence 1861-1870

Ninety-fourth Illinois Volunteer Infantry Regiment

William W. Orme Collection

Kent Slack 33rd Illinois Infantry Research

Sons of the Union Veterans of the Civil War

Thirty-third Illinois Infantry Regiment of Volunteers, Company C