

McLean County Museum of History

Jim Hoppe Collection

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Collection Information

VOLUME OF COLLECTION:	1 Box
COLLECTION DATES:	1989-2018
RESTRICTIONS:	None
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OTHER FINDING AIDS:	None
LOCATION:	Archives
NOTES:	

Brief History

Jim Hoppe is an avid lover of history and McLean County. He has written manuscripts about various aspects of WWI, and has discussed and given presentations on the history of McLean county and its importance.

Scope

The collection includes typescripts from Jim Hoppe plus transcripts of his radio talks broadcast on WJBC Forums over several years.

Box and Folder Inventory

Folder 1: Native Americans

- 1.1 "The Grand Village on the Prairie," typescript by Jim Hoppe, 2011, 13 pp.

Folder 2: World War I Aviation

- 6.1 "Roster of McLean County Men in the World War Aviation," typescript by Jim Hoppe no date, 9 pp.
- 6.2 "The Great Aero War to End All Air Wars," typescript by Jim Hoppe, no date, 1 p.
- 6.3 "Aviation Personnel from McLean County Illinois in the First World War," typescript by Jim Hoppe, 1986, 47 94 pp.
- 6.4 Letter (copy or draft?) from Jim Hoppe in Danvers, IL to Mr. Bingham concerning a letter from General of the Armies John Pershing, undated. Attached is information about Halsey L. Bingham, 3 pp.
- 6.5 Photocopy of selected pages of *Encyclopedia of U.S. Military Aircraft 1908 to April 6, 1917 Vol. 3,* book by Robert B. Casari, published by Craftsman Printing of Chillicothe, Ohio copyright 1972, 36 pp.
- 6.6 Photocopy of selected pages of *Encyclopedia of U.S. Military Aircraft 1908 to April 6, 1917 Vol. 4,* book by Robert B. Casari, published by Robert B. Casari of Chillicothe Ohio, 8 pp.
- 6.7 Alphabetical list of Soldiers in Aviation from McLean County, no date, 7 pp.

Folder 3: Marines from McLean County in the World War by James Harbord

- 3.1 "U.S. Marines from McLean County in the World War" typescript by James Harbord, no date, 7 pp, includes photos and a roster of soldiers.
- 3.2 "Leaves from a War Diary" typescript by James Harbord, no date, 2 pp.
- 3.3 "Marines from McLean County in the World War" typescript about James Harbord, no date, 5 pp. Includes roster of marines from McLean County and wounded/death reports.

Folder 4: Black Soldiers in WWI

- 4.1 "Black Soldiers in McLean County" typescript, no date, 12 pp. Includes roster, mission reports, wounded/death reports, and typescript by Jim Hoppe at the end.

Folder 5: McLean County Military History from 1730-1930 An Outline

- 5.1 "McLean County Military History from 1730-1930 An Outline," typescript, no date, 54 pp. Includes pictures.
- 5.2 Untitled typescript, no date, 3 pp. Describes military activity in McLean County before it was McLean County.

Folder 6: WWI Reflections

- 6.1 Untitled typescript by Jim Hoppe, 2018.
- 6.2 "Footnotes of the Great War," by Jim Hoppe, 2018.

Folder 7: Military History Medical Society

- 7.1 "Military History Outline of the McLean County Medical Society," typescript, no date, 9 pp. Includes roster of society.

Folder 8: Horse Tales

- 8.1 "Horse Tales of McLean County Horse Tales of the Past," typescript by Jim Hoppe, no date, 3 pp.

Folder 9: McLean County History

- 9.1 "Dazzle Camouflage" brochure advertising Jim Hoppe presenting about Dazzle Camouflage during WWI at Bloomington Public Library on February 15.
- 9.2 "Our Forgotten Folklore" brochure advertising Jim Hoppe presenting forgotten McLean County history at Bloomington Public Library on May 15, 2014.
- 9.3 "McLean County's Lineage" typescript, no date, 12 pp.

Folder 10: WJBC Forum

- 10.1 Transcript for Jim Hoppe for May 31, 1989 WJBC Forum, describes relocation of museum to the courthouse.
- 10.2 Transcript of Jim Hoppe for Nov. 1 1989 WJBC Forum, describes developing in McLean County and historical landmarks.
- 10.3 Transcript of Jim Hoppe for Jan. 24, 1990 WJBC Forum, describes Camel Back Bridge being torn down.
- 10.4 Transcript of Jim Hoppe for May 30, 1990 WJBC Forum, describes Memorial Day.
- 10.5 Transcript of Jim Hoppe for Aug. 22, 1990 WJBC Forum, describes tearing down of a building on courthouse square.
- 10.6 Transcript of Jim Hoppe for Nov. 13, 1991 WJBC Forum, describes the museum and how history has been kept in McLean County.
- 10.7 Transcript of Jim Hoppe for April 1, 1992 WJBC Forum, describes downtown Bloomington and the museum.
- 10.8 Transcript of Jim Hoppe for May 27, 1992 WJBC Forum, describes taxing downtown Bloomington for restoration and the hardships of businesses downtown.
- 10.9 Transcript of Jim Hoppe for Jan. 20, 1993 WJBC Forum, criticizes the redevelopment of downtown Bloomington and its historic value
- 10.10 Transcript of Jim Hoppe for Feb. 17, 1993 WJBC Forum, describes what could be done to improve downtown Bloomington.
- 10.11 Transcript of Jim Hoppe for Nov. 10, 1993 WJBC Forum, describes Veteran's Day and Armistice Day
- 10.12 Transcript from Jim Hoppe for WJBC Forum no date, describes Eddy Building fire.
- 10.13 List of Sources used in Hoppe's WJBC Forums, June 5, 1990.

Folder 11: Charles Zweng

- 11.1 Biography of Charles Zweng who left law for a career in flight and space navigation, typescript, no date, 15 pp.