

## ARCHIVES RECORDS

RG44 United Spanish War Veterans. Nebraska Department

Records: 1907-1962

Nebraska: Spanish War Veterans Organization

Cu. ft.: 11

Approx. no. of items: 6,600

### HISTORICAL NOTE

The United Spanish War Veterans were organized in 1904 as a national association for the veterans of the Spanish-American War of 1898 and the Phillipine insurrection. Organized much along the line of the earlier G.A.R., the organization had as subordinate divisions, departments, and within departments, individual camps. Annual State and National encampments were held. The United Spanish War Veterans also had an auxiliary which was an outgrowth of womens organizations in support of Spanish War veterans dating from 1898.

The Nebraska Department, United Spanish War Veterans was organized about 1907. In 1921, the legislature began appropriations for the relief of veterans and their widows and these funds were expended under the supervision of the Board of Educational Lands and Funds. The United Spanish War Veterans is still listed as an active organization in the 1972 Nebraska Blue Book.

### SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

This Record Group consists of 22 boxes of records of the United Spanish War Veterans, Nebraska Department, 1907-1962, arranged in eleven series: (1) Departmental Correspondence, 1925-1962; (2) State and National Encampment Records, 1917-1957; (3) Administrative Records, 1925-1960; (4) Financial Records, 1925-1962; (5) Records of William Lewis Camp # 2, 1910-1960; (6) Records of Lee Forby Camp #1, 1907-1950; (7) Records of various camps, 1908-1955; (8) Printed Matter, (9) Correspondence and Reports of the USWV Women's Auxiliary, 1926-1952; (10) Historical Data, 1898; and (11) Miscellany.

This Records group relates to the operation and affairs of the Nebraska Department of the United Spanish War Veterans, 1907-1962. The bulk of the material consists of Departmental correspondence, Administrative and fiscal records, and Records of the Women's Auxiliary. Of interest are files relating to the alleged misconduct of Samuel Shove in 1929 with regard to pension matters; and various 1898 diaries and letters relating to service of the 1st Nebraska Regiment in the Phillipines. Also included within these files are records of the Veterans relief fund, ritual books, and encampment records.

Transferred to the State Archives from the offices of the United Spanish War Veterans, in 1968.

## DESCRIPTION

## SERIES ONE DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE 1925-1962

## Box 1

Folder 1	1925
2	1926
3	1927
4	1928
5	1929
5a	1929, Samuel Shove Affair
6	1930-1932
7	1933
8	1934-1936
9	1937
10	1938

## Box 2

11	1939-1941
12	1942
13	1943-1947
14	1948
15	1949
16	1950
17	1951
18	1952
19	1953
20	1954
21	1955-1956
22	1957
23	1958-1959
24	1960-1962
25	1898, 1901

## SERIES TWO STATE AND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT RECORDS 1917-1957

## Box 3

Vol. 1	Register, State Encampments 1917-1923
2	Register, State Encampment 1925
3	Register, State Encampment 1938
4	Register, 1933-1948 National Encampments
5	Register of visitors, Nebr. State Fair 1935-1939
6	Register of visitors, Nebr. State Fair 1940-1944

## Box 4

Vol. 7	Roll Call and voting list, State Encampment 1932 ✓
8	Report of Departmental Adjutant & Quartermaster 1931-32 ✓
9	Credential list, State Encampment 1932
10	Credential list, State Encampment 1932-1933
11	Report of Departmental Adjutant & Quartermaster 1932-33 ✓
12	Credential list, State Encampment 1933 ✓
13	Credential list, State Encampment 1934 ✓
14	Report of Departmental Adjutant 1934

- Vol. 15 Credential list State Encampment 1934-1935 ✓  
 16 Credential list, State Encampment 1935 ✓  
 17 Report of Departmental Adjutant 1935 ✓  
 18 Report of Departmental Adjutant 1936 ✓  
 19 Credential list, State Encampment 1936  
 20-21 Credential list, State Encampment 1937  
 22 Proceedings, State Encampment 1938 *no plates* ✓  
 23 Credential and Poll Book 1955  
 24 List of Delegates 1957  
 25 List of Delegates, National Encampment 1957  
 Series Two con't on Sheet 6

SERIES THREE ADMINISTRATIVE RECORDS 1925-1960

- Box 5  
 Loose Death Records, "Taps" 1929-1946  
 Ritual Books  
 Folder 1 Death lists, various years
- Box 6  
 Loose semi-annual Muster Rolls 1925-1948 ✓  
 Folder 2 Muster Rolls 1957-1958
- Box 7  
 (Loose Records)  
 Installation Reports 1926-1948  
 Certificates of Election, Camp Delegates, State  
 encampment 1934-1941  
 Credentials and Delegate lists, National encampment 1929-1941 *1933-1938* ✓  
 Memoranda, 1941 National encampment, Omaha, Nebraska ✓
- Box 8  
 Folder 3 Inspection Reports 1930-1958  
 4 Rosters of camps and auxiliaries 1926-1957  
 5 Proceedings, Council of Administration 1933, 1957-1960  
 6 Miscellaneous reports 1926-1957  
 7 Yearbook materials 1957-1958  
 8 Report of Dept. Adjutant 1931-1947 *Lewis Adams*  
 9 Miscellaneous printed matter

SERIES FOUR FINANCIAL RECORDS 1925-1962

- Box 9  
 Folder 1 Audit Reports 1947-1962  
 2 Camp Dues Recieved 1937-1948
- Box 10  
 Folder 3 Bank Statements & Vouchers 1929-1930  
 4 Invoices, Requisitions & Receipts N.D.  
 5 Internal Revenue Forms 1950-1954  
 6 Social Security & Payroll data 1951-1956  
 7 Equipment inventories, G.A.R. & U.S.W.V.  
 8 Receipt & Desbursment ledger, 1929-1947  
 9 Financial Statements N.D.
- Box 11  
 Vol. 1 Voucher Register & loose cancelled vouchers  
 U.S.W.V. Relief Fund 1931-1933  
 2 Account ledger Relief Fund 1921-1925  
 Folder 10 Ballots, State Relief Committee 1943  
 11 Per Capita tax reports 1930-1956

## Box 12

Vol. 3 Receipt & Disbursement ledge, by comp. 1925-1933  
 4 Unidentified Check register  
 5-6 Voucher Books, USWV 1927-1929  
 loose voucher stubs 1938-1953

## SERIES FIVE RECORDS OF WILLIAM LEWIS CAMP #2, LINCOLN, NEBR. 1910-1960 ✓

## Box 13

Folder 1	Correspondence	1927
2	" "	1930
3	" "	1933
4	" "	1934-1936 ✓
5	" "	1937
6	" "	1938
7	" "	1939
8	" "	1940
9	" "	1941-1945
10	" "	1947
11	" "	1948
12	" "	1949
13	" "	1950-1951, 1956 ✕
14	" "	1960
15	" "	N.D.
16	Muster Rolls & Wyuka Burials	1910-1950
17	Miscellaneous lists, rosters & reports	
18	Reports Camp Adjutant	1946-1948 ✓

## Box 14

Vol. 1 Minute Book, Wm. Lewis camp, 1927-1932  
 2 Minute Book, Wm. Lewis camp. 1933-1941 ✓  
 3 Minute Book, Wm. Lewis Camp 1942-1950 ✓

## SERIES SIX RECORDS OF LEE FORBY CAMP #1, OMAHA, NEBRASKA 1907-1950

## Box 15

Folder 1	Correspondence	1926-1950
2	Applications for Membership	1908-1920 ✓
3	" " "	1912-1923
4	" " "	1908-1922
5	" " "	1908-1925

## Box 16

Vol. 1 Muster Book 1907  
 2 Muster Book 1913-1915  
 3 Bills Received & Paid 1914-1915  
 4 Minute Book, Lee Forby Camp 1907-1913  
 5 " " " " " 1914-1917  
 6 " " " " " 1920-1922  
 7 " " " " " 1922-1926

## SERIES SEVEN RECORDS OF VARIOUS CAMPS 1908-1955

## Box 17

Folder 1 Journal & Charter Guy Dodge Camp,  
 Fairbury, Nebr. 1908-1949

Folder 2 Journal & Misc. Records Anderson-  
Pounds Camp, Rosalie, Nebr. 1930-1933  
3 Journal & Muster Rolls; Ernest Briggs  
Camp, Ord, Nebr. ?-1949 #17  
4 Resolutions & supply orders, T. Roosevelt  
Camp, Scottsbluff, Nebr. 1927, 1936  
5 Muster Rolls of Kearney Camp, Kearney, ✓  
Nebr. 1947-1955  
Vol. 1-2 Minutes Book of Kearney Camp 1936-1953 ✓

## SERIES EIGHT PRINTED MATTER

Box 18  
Folder 1 General Orders, National Headquarters 1938-1944  
2 General Orders, Nebr. Dept. 1933-1947  
3 General Orders, other states, Misc.  
4 Programs State encampments 1919-1955  
5 "Spanish War Review" 1913-1914  
6 Chinese or Japanese publication, unidentified ✓

Box 19  
Folder 7 Misc. Newspaper Clippings  
8 Newspapers, mostly English ✓  
Language published in the Phillipine Islands 1898-1899  
9 Misc. sheet Music

## SERIES NINE CORRESPONDENCE &amp; REPORTS OF USWV WOMEN'S AUXILIARY 1926-1952

Box 20  
Folder 1 Aux. #1 1940-1944  
2 Aux. #2 1941-1944  
3 Aux. #3 1940-1944  
4 Aux. #4 1940-1944  
5 Aux. #5 1940-1944  
6 Aux. #6 1940-1944  
7 Aux. #7 1940-1944  
8 Aux. #8 1940-1944  
9 Aux. #10 1939-1944  
10 Aux. #12 1940-1944  
11 Aux. #15 1941-1944  
12 Aux. #16 1940-1944  
13 State Headquarters, General Correspondence 1939-1954  
14 State Headquarters, Semi-Annual Reports 1939-1948  
15 General Orders 1942-1952  
16 General Orders, National Headquarters 1941-1943  
17 National Headquarters, General Correspondence 1942-1944  
18 Miscellany

Box 21  
Vol. 1 Minute Book, WSWV Auxiliary 1926-1934  
2 " " " " 1934-1943 5/2/58  
3 Account Journal 1934-1945 ✓

## SERIES TEN HISTORICAL DATA 1898

Box 22  
Folder 1 Diary of Charles Huff 1898  
*Record of killed & wounded in Phillippines ✓*

Folder 2 Daily Movement Journal, Unidentified 1898 ✓  
 3 Diary of Horace L. Folkner 1898 ✓  
 (Died at Manila, Sept. 26, 1898)  
 4 Misc. printed matter, 1898 in "The Soldiers Letter" vol. 1  
 5 "History of Co. B"

## SERIES ELEVEN MISCELLANY

Box 23  
 Folder 1 Soldiers & Sailors official Roster various  
 counties, Nebraska  
 2 Misc. Maps (Battle of Manila, 1898)  
 3 Ephemera  
 4 Hospital Record, Jan-Feb. 1899 *3 vols. F. L. Linder*

Shelved With The Collection

Item One Scrapbook of George L. Geddes, Auxiliary #6  
 Alliance, Nebr. 1926-1927 (Includes photos of  
 office Dept. of Nebr.) ✓

Item Two Scrapbook of Lee Forby Auxiliary #1, Omaha, Nebr. ✓  
 1937-1938

## SERIES TWO Con't

Box 4  
 Folder 1 54th State Encampment, 1961  
 2 55th State Encampment, 1962  
 3 Encampment Notes, 1961, 1962, 1963

Division	Dates	Description	Location
3rd Nebr. Infantry 3rd Nebr. Infantry (Co. 1)	1898-1899 1898	Monthly Hospital Report of the 3rd Nebraska, Florida Enlistments, discharges, deaths, etc.	MS2771, Fitch
Administration	1925-1938	Series 3: Loose semi-annual Muster Rolls, 1925-1948 Semi-Annual Adjutant Reports kept by Lewis Adams, 1937-1948 Credentials, National encampment, 1935-1938	Level 2
	1926-1960	Inspection Reports, 1926-1948 Proceedings, Council of Administration, 1933, 1957-1960 Miscellaneous reports, 1928-1957 Yearbook materials, 1957-1958 Miscellaneous Printed Matter Report of Depl. Adjutant, 1939-1941 General Orders, Nat'l Headquarters, 1938-1944 (Series 8) General Orders, Nebr. Depl. 1933-1947 (Series 8) General Orders, other states, misc. (Series 8) Departmental Correspondence, 1942-1962 (Series 1)	Series 3
Camp Records - Anderson-Pounds Camp, Rosalie Camp Records - Broken Bow #19	1930-1933	Journal & Misc. Records Charter	Series 7
Camp Records - Ernest Briggs #17, Ord, NE		Camp Charter Journal & Muster Rolls	Series 7
Camp Records - Gothenburg #24 Camp Records - Guy Dodge Camp, Fairbury	1908-1949	Charter Journal & Charter	Series 7
Camp Records - Kearney #18	1936-1935	Series 7 Muster Rolls, 1947-1955 Minute Books, 1936-1933 Donated by George Mueller to Depl. of Veterans Affairs	Series 7
Camp Records - Lee Forby #1, Omaha, NE Camp Records - T. Roosevelt Camp, Scottsbluff	1927, 1936	Application for Membership Resolutions & supply orders	Series 7
Camp Records - Wa Lewis #2, Lincoln, NE		Series 3: Minutes of meetings, 1933-1949 (2 vols) Reports of Camp Adjutant, 1946-1948 Correspondence, 1936-1956	Level 2
Camp Records - Lee Forby #1, Omaha, NE	1910-1960	Correspondence, 1927-1960 Muster Rolls & Myuka Burials, 1910-1950 Miscellaneous Lists, rosters, reports Reports Camp Adjutant, 1946-1948 Minute Book, 1927-1932 (1 vol)	Series 3
Death Records	1898-1946	Correspondence, 1926-1950 Applications for Membership, 1908-1925 Muster Books, 1907; 1913-1915 (2 vols) Bills received & Paid, 1914-1915 (1 vol) Minute Books, 1907-1926 (4 vols) Loose Death Records, "Taps", 1928-1946 (53, Box5) Ritual Books	Series 6

Division	dates	Description	Location
Encampments - State	1898-1953	Death lists, various years Nyoka Burials, 1910-1950, Milliam Lewis Camp #2, Lincoln (SS) Record of Killed & Wounded in Philippines, 1898 (SI10)	Level 2
	1919-1963	Roll Call & voting list, 25th Encampment, 1932 (Series 2, vol. 7) Report of Departmental Adjutant & Quartermaster, 1931-1933 (v.8&11) Reports of Dept. Adjutant, 1934-1936 (v.14, 17&18) Credential lists, State Encampments, 1933-198 (v.12,13,15,16,19,20-21) Proceedings, State Encampment, Mo. Platte, 1938 (vol. 22) Camp Record kept by Morris Adams, Adjutant Register of visitors to State Encampment, Lincoln, 1927	
	1896-1948	Programs, 1919-1935 (Series 8) Credential & Poll Book, 1935 List of Delegates, 1957 (52) 54th State Encampment, 1961 (Series 2) 53th State Encampment, 1962 (Series 2) Encampment notes, 1961-1963 (Series 2)	Level 2
Financial Records	1925-1952	Records, 1898-1944 Correspondence, 1898-1941 (1 box) Register, State Encampments, 1917-1923, 1925, 1938 (3 vols) Register, National Encampments, 1933-1948 (1 vol) Register of visitors, Neb. State Fair, 1935-1944 (2 vols) Installation Reports, 1926-1948 Certificates of election, State Encampments, 1934-1941 Credentials & Delegate lists, Nat'l Encampments, 1929-1932 Memoranda, 1941 Nat'l Encampment, Omaha, NE	Series 4
Historical Data	1898-1899	Audit Reports, 1947-1962 Bank Statements & Vouchers, 1929-1930 Invoices, Requisitions & Receipts, n.d. Internal Revenue forms, 1938-1954 Equipment inventories, GAR & U.S.M.V. Receipt & Disbursement ledger, 1929-1947 (1 vol), 1925-1933 (1 vol) Financial Statements, n.d. Per Capita Tax reports, 1930-1956 Unidentified check register Voucher Books, USWV & loose voucher stubs, 1927-1953	Series 10
	1898-1937	Record of Killed & Wounded in Philippines kept by Charles Huff, 1898 Diary of Horace L. Folmer of Saline County, 1898 "Soldier's Handbook" of Charles S. Bussey History & photo album of the Philippine campaign (cover missing) Pictures & letters of the philippine campaign, donated to United ...Spanish War Veterans by Mr. & Mrs. H. d. Grant, Broken Bow, NE Camp Diary, 1898 (unidentified)	NS2420, Eager
	1898-1919	Correspondence, 1898-1937 Map of Manila Bay General orders, headquarters of the Army 1898-1899 Diary 1898 Scrapbook, 1901-1919 Newspaper clippings, 1898-1899	



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Division	dates	Description	Location
Hospital Records	1899	Hospital Record, Jan.-Feb. 1899 Donated to US Spanish War Veterans by William D. Grant	Series 11
Maps, photos, printed matter	1898-1899	Maps & Pictures of Battle of Manila Bay Maps of China & Misc. Newspapers. Manila newspapers Two Chinese books Newspapers printed in Manila following the occupation, ...in three languages, August 13, 1898 Miscellaneous sheet music Misc. photos & drawings primarily re Philippine Campaign	Series 8
Membership		Roster of Soldiers & Sailors, Nebr (Series 11) Semi-Annual Muster Rolls, 1925-1948 (Series 3) Muster Rolls, 1957-1958 (Series 3) Installation Reports, 1926-1948 (Series 3) Rosters of Camps and Auxiliaries, 1926-1937 (Series 3) Camp dues received, 1937-1948 (Series 4) Social Security & payroll data, 1951-1956 (Series 4) Muster Rolls, William Lewis Camp 32, Lincoln, 1910-1950 (Series 4) Muster Books, Lee Forby Camp #1, Omaha, NE, 1907-1915 (Series 5) Muster Rolls, Ernest Briggs Camp, #17, Ord (Series 7) Muster Rolls, Kearney Camp, 1947-1955	Series 4 & 9
U.S.M.V. Women's Auxiliary	1921-1943	Voucher Register, U.S.M.V., Relief Fund, 1931-1933 Account Ledger, Relief Fund, 1921-1925 Ballots, State Relief Committee, 1943 Membership Cards Post Correspondence	Series 11
	1926-1938	Scrapbook, George L. Badger, Aux. #6, Alliance, NE, 1926-1927 Scrapbook, Lee Forby Aux. #1, Omaha, NE, 1937-1938	Series 11
	1926-1934	Auxiliary Post Correspondence, 1939-1944 State Headquarters, General Correspondence, 1939-1944 State headquarters, Semi-Annual Reports, 1939-1948 General Orders, 1942-1952 General Orders, Nat'l Headquarters, 1941-1943 Nat'l Headquarters, General Correspondence, 1942-1944 Miscellany Minutes, 1926-1934 (1 vol)	Series 9
	1934-1944	Minute Book, 1934-1943 Receipt Journal, 1934-1944	Series 9

**United Spanish War Veterans  
Department of Nebraska (1909-?)**

Department	Camp #	Camp Name 1	Camp Name 2	City	State	Mustered	Surrendered
Nebraska	1	Lee	Forby	Omaha	NE		
Nebraska	2	William	Lewis	Lincoln	NE		
Nebraska	3	Guy	Dodge	Fairbury	NE		12/6/49
Nebraska	4		Columbus	Columbus	NE		
Nebraska	5	George L.	Geddes	Alliance	NE		
Nebraska	6	Charles E.	Norris	Grand Island	NE	1/1/19	
Nebraska	7		Fremont	Fremont	NE		
Nebraska	8	Bruce E.	Macey	Beatrice	NE		
Nebraska	9	Claude H.	Ough	Geneva	NE		
Nebraska	10	Fred D.	Grant	Norfolk	NE		
Nebraska	11	Harry E.	Brown	North Platte	NE		
Nebraska	12		Otoe	Nebraska City	NE		9/4/17
Nebraska	13	Walter	Poor	York	NE		
Nebraska	14	Theodore	Roosevelt	Scottsbluff	NE		
Nebraska	15	Victor	Vifquain	Hastings	NE		
Nebraska	16		Burt	Tekamah	NE	5/14/30	
Nebraska	17	Ernest H.	Briggs	Ord	NE		1/12/50
Nebraska	18		Kearney	Kearney	NE	10/18/24	7/1/57
Nebraska	19	Guy	Livingston	Broken Bow	NE	2/28/25	3/2/45
Nebraska	20		Red Willow	McCook	NE	6/10/25	
Nebraska	21	William S.	Mapes	Chadron	NE	5/28/26	
Nebraska	22		Pine	Ainsworth	NE	3/7/29	11/22/38
Nebraska	23		Anderson-Pounds	Walthill	NE	4/12/30	11/9/36
Nebraska	24		Gothenburg	Gothenburg	NE	7/22/30	5/29/40