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Circa 1864-1965**
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PREFACE

The Jefferson National Expansion Memorial was authorized by Congress as ". . . a permanent memorial to the men who made possible the territorial expansion of the United States, particularly President Thomas Jefferson and his aids, Livingston and Monroe, who negotiated the Louisiana Purchase, and the hardy hunters, trappers, frontiersmen, and pioneers and others who contributed to the territorial expansion and development of the United States of America." The park was established by Executive Order 7253, signed by Franklin D. Roosevelt on December 21, 1935.

The Jefferson National Expansion Memorial collects and preserves archival materials that document the exploration and settlement of the American West, and particularly the role of St. Louis as the Gateway to the West. These manuscripts and records are collected as an extension of the three dimensional holdings of the Jefferson National Expansion Memorial, further explaining and describing the artifact collections, and perhaps supplanting them when objects are lacking or unavailable. The human dimensions of the park's holdings are strengthened through the acquisition of personal correspondence, diaries, journals, sketchbooks, and photograph albums. These materials, along with records that document the administrative history of the park, comprise valuable and irreplaceable reference sources for historians and other scholars.

The Jefferson National Expansion Memorial Archives was formally organized in 1988 to insure the protection of these unique collections, and to make them available to the public. A small reference library is also available, containing nearly 4000 titles on westward expansion, native Americans, St. Louis history, and the National Park Service. The Library and Archives are available by appointment only. Researchers wishing to visit the Library and Archives are invited to call or write to make the necessary arrangements.

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To the creator of these records, Don Rickey Jr., now retired from the Park Service, I am grateful for his valued advice and comments on the collection and the finding aid.

The Archives is also grateful to the Jefferson National Expansion Historical Association for its unflagging support. The preservation of the Indian Wars Widows Project Records and other JNEM archival resources would not have been possible without the generous financial commitments made by Director Raymond L. Breun on behalf of the Association.

Harry G. Heiss
Archivist

INTRODUCTION TO THE COLLECTION

In preparing for the Museum of Westward Expansion, Don Rickey Jr., chief research historian at the Jefferson National Expansion Memorial in the early 1960s, solicited exhibit materials and information from widows and relatives of Indian Wars veterans. Rickey had obtained from the Veterans Administration the names and addresses of Indian Wars widows receiving pensions, and in the spring of 1962 he contacted each with a letter and questionnaire requesting information and the donation of records. This collection, measuring approximately four linear feet, contains the records produced by that project, including widows' correspondence, completed questionnaires, and copies of records documenting Indian Wars military service from 1865 to 1898. Information generated by this project was used by Rickey and others at the park doing exhibit planning for the Museum of Westward Expansion, including research reports, and particularly the report, "The Soldier's Frontier." This project also provided Rickey with material for *Forty Miles a Days on Beans and Hay; The Enlisted Soldier Fighting the Indian Wars* [Norman: University of Oklahoma Press, 1963].

The widows were surveyed on their husbands' dates of Indian Wars service and military rank. They were asked if they were married to their husbands during their military service, if the widows lived in the West before 1898, and if their husbands continued to live in the West after discharge from the Regular Army.

The second half of the questionnaire was a solicitation for records associated with their husbands' Indian Wars service. Rickey was interested in knowing if the widows had in their possession photographs, letters, or diaries from the period 1865 to 1898, or anything written by their husbands about their Indian Wars experiences. The widows were also asked if they could furnish objects for exhibit in the Museum of Westward Expansion, particularly Indian relics, military uniforms, blankets, badges, insignia, and firearms.

Of the questionnaires returned to the park, most gave some information about Indian Wars military service. Many of the questionnaires were returned with accompanying letters, which themselves provide interesting commentary on the social and economic conditions of veterans' widows in the early 1960s. Typical of the many records that were loaned to the park were studio photographs, discharge certificates, and some personal reminiscences. Of particular interest were a diary kept by Hartford G. "Harry" Clark while a private in the Sixth Cavalry in Nebraska in 1891, and a journal kept by Lawrence Lea documenting his brief military service in Montana Territory from 1881 to 1884, during which he lost his left leg from an accidental, self-inflicted gunshot. Most of the photographs were studio portraits of individuals or small groups of soldiers, many in military uniform. Of particular importance were photographs of military installations and of soldiers at work, on bivouac, and off duty.

Most photographs and documents sent to Rickey for this project by widows were copied, and the originals returned to the donors. Although the copies were added to the project files, researchers are advised that some appear to be missing from this collection, and that the Archives cannot account for them. Park records indicate, for example, that in 1983 two photographs received from the widow of Howard Holmes were transferred to Yellowstone National Park.

Information obtained from this collection must be properly cited, whether used in publications or in other formats. A citation suggested for this collection is:

Natioal Park Service
Jefferson National Expansion Memorial Archives
Indian Wars Widows Project Records, circa 1864-1965
Box __, Folder __

Researchers are advised that before records, photographs, and any other unpublished materials from this collection can be published or exhibited, permission from the National Park Service must be obtained in writing.

ARRANGEMENT

When processing the records of the Indian Wars Widows Project into an archival collection, the original order of the office files was maintained. To aid researchers using these materials, the Archives staff has organized the collection into three series.

Series 1. Questionnaires, Correspondence, and Donated Records

There is a folder for each widow who responded to Don Rickey's questionnaire. These folders are arranged alphabetically, primarily by name of the widow; a few correspondents were not Indian Wars widows, but were referred to Rickey for this project. Most folders contain only a completed questionnaire and cover letter, and occasionally a reply letter from a widow. Any photographs, military records, or other materials received from a correspondent are also filed in that person's folder. Questionnaires that were returned unanswered are filed together in Box 3, Folder 68. Dates listed as part of a folder title are inclusive dates of records in that folder.

Series 2. Mailing List

This series contains computer cards produced by the Veterans Administration and containing names and addresses of all Indian Wars widows receiving pensions at the time of this project. These are arranged alphabetically by name of the widow. Dates written in the upper right corner are the dates when letters and questionnaires were mailed.

Series 3. List of Photocopies

This list appears to have been compiled as a subject index to donated photographs, and used by Rickey in his research for "The Soldier's Frontier," one in a series of planning documents produced for the Museum of Westward Expansion. Each subject entry on the list references a widow's file. This list appears to be incomplete, containing fewer entries than there are photographs in the collection. Researchers are advised to also use the general index to this finding aid, Appendix 1.

Oversize Items

Items too large to be preserved in standard archive document cases have been removed to an oversize box. The original location of oversize items within the collection is noted in the Container Listing section of this finding aid, as are cross references to their new location in the oversize box. The oversize materials are described at the end the Container Listing section on page 27.

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Box 1

- Folder 1 **Amanda P. Ackley, 1962**
Widow of George Edwin Ackley.
- Folder 2 **Clara Denney Aitken, 1962**
Widow of John Rae Aitken. Includes correspondence of Mary Lough.
- Folder 3 **Emma A.B. Bachman, 1962**
Widow of George Bachman. Includes a newspaper photograph of Emma A.B. Bachman.
[JNEM Visual Image 101-94]
- Folder 4 **Leonora Ballentine, 1962**
Widow of John N. Ballentine. Includes correspondence of Lawrence Ballentine.
- Folder 5 **Edith T. Barnes, 1885, 1962**
Widow of Will C. Barnes. Includes correspondence of Walter T. Martin. Also included are photographs of Sgt. J.W. Weeks of the Sixth Infantry, 1885; two unidentified soldiers of Fort Assiniboine, Montana; an unidentified soldier of the Twentieth Infantry; military prisoners; and a view of Fort Assiniboine.
[JNEM Visual Images 101-1 through 101-6]
- Folder 6 **Mrs. Edward P. Barnes, 1962-1963**
Widow of Edward P. Barnes. Includes a photograph taken at Fort Assiniboine, Montana, of a soldier wearing a buffalo coat.
[JNEM Visual Image 101-7]
- Folder 7 **Ella M. Barnes, 1962**
Widow of Robert J. Barnes.

Box 1 (cont'd)

- Folder 8 **Mildred F. Bartlett, 1962**
Widow of George Bartlett.
- Folder 9 **Mary E. Bayless, 1962 and undated**
Widow of Theodore F. Bayless. Includes newclippings on General George Custer and the Battle of the Little Big Horn, J.B. "Wild Bill" Hickok, and "Apache Bill."
- Folder 10 **Emma M. Benoist, 1962**
Widow of William Benoist.
- Folder 11 **Lina Best, 1962**
Widow of William Best.
- Folder 12 **Paulina Blackburn, 1962**
Widow of Henry Blackburn.
- Folder 13 **Elizabeth Campbell, 1962**
Widow of Bernard Francis Campbell.
- Folder 14 **Lena A. Carpenter, 1962**
Widow of Robert Horace Rigg.
- Folder 15 **Pearl Clark, circa 1890-1891, 1962**
Widow of Hartford G. "Harry" Clark. Includes a photograph of Hartford Clark on horseback and in uniform of the Sixth Cavalry, circa 1890-1891.
[JNEM Visual Image 101-8]

Folders 16-38 contain transcriptions of a diary kept by Hartford G. Clark as a private in Company G of the Sixth Cavalry in Nebraska in 1891. Researchers are advised that the Archives does not hold the copyrights to this material, and that permission to quote, cite, or reproduce any or all of the diary must be obtained from Clark's heirs. The National Park Service prepared this typed transcript of Clark's diary in 1962. Folder 16 contains a typed carbon copy of the complete transcription. Folders 17-27 contain the typed original transcript, foldered by month. Folders 28-38 contain a carbon copy of the transcript, also foldered by month. Included with the Clark diary were several newsclippings, all transcribed.

- Folder 16 **Transcript of Hartford G. Clark diary, January-December 1891 (carbon copy)**
Includes a newsclipping titled, "Troopers In The Field," from the Exeter [New Hampshire] News-Letter. It is a letter to the editor from Clark written on September 21, 1891, at Fort Niobrara, Nebraska, and follows the diary entry for October 31, 1891.

[see also folders 25, 36]

Box 1 (cont'd)

Folder 16 (cont'd)

Includes a newsclipping titled, "A Trooper's Experiences In Wyoming," published in the Exeter [New Hampshire] News-Letter. It is a letter to the editor from Clark written on July 28, 1892, at Camp Elkins, Wyoming, and follows the diary entry for October 31, 1891. [see also folders 25, 36]

Includes a newsclipping titled, "An Exeter Boy In Service In Wyoming," published in the Exeter [New Hampshire] News-Letter. It is a letter to the editor from Clark written on June 24, 1892, near Fort Fetterman, Wyoming, and precedes the diary entries for November 1891. [see also folders 26, 37]

Includes an undated newsclipping titled, "A Central Wyoming Celebrity," concerning Thomas C. Clayton, a rider for William "Buffalo Bill" Cody. This newsclipping follows the diary entry for November 30, 1891. [see also folders 26, 37]

Includes an undated newsclipping titled, "Church Wedding At Shelburne Falls," concerning the marriage of Mary E.J. Rankin to George W. Clark. This newsclipping precedes the diary entries for December 1891. [see also folders 27, 38]

Includes an obituary of George W. Clark (1832-1893) published in Exeter, New Hampshire. This obituary follows the diary entry for December 31, 1891. [see also folders 27, 38]

Folder 17

Transcript of Hartford G. Clark diary, January 1891 (typed original)

Folder 18

Transcript of Hartford G. Clark diary, March 1891 (typed original)

Folder 19

Transcript of Hartford G. Clark diary, April 1891 (typed original)

Folder 20

Transcript of Hartford G. Clark diary, May 1891 (typed original)

Folder 21

Transcript of Hartford G. Clark diary, June 1891 (typed original)

Folder 22

Transcript of Hartford G. Clark diary, July 1891 (typed original)

Folder 23

Transcript of Hartford G. Clark diary, August 1891 (typed original)

Folder 24

Transcript of Hartford G. Clark diary, September 1891 (typed original)

original)

Box 1 (cont'd)

Folder 25

Transcript of Hartford G. Clark diary, October 1891 (typed original)

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Folder 28

Transcript of Hartford G. Clark diary, January 1891 (carbon copy)

Folder 29

Transcript of Hartford G. Clark diary, March 1891 (carbon copy)

Folder 30

Transcript of Hartford G. Clark diary, April 1891 (carbon copy)

Exeter, New Hampshire. This obituary follows the diary entry for December 31, 1891. [see also folders 16, 27]

Box 1 (cont'd)

- Folder 39 **Catherine Clarke, 1962**
Widow of Barnaby Clarke.
- Folder 40 **Edith W. Clarke, 1962**
Widow of Caleb Christopher Clarke. Includes correspondence of Edith Clarke Barnhart.
- Folder 41 **Anna E. Clegg, 1890, 1962**
Widow of William J. Clegg. Includes correspondence of Mabel Clegg Richert. Also includes a photograph of William Clegg, Twelfth Infantry, taken at Fort Yates, North Dakota, in 1890.
[JNEM Visual Image 101-9]
- Folder 42 **M.A. Condon, 1962**
- Folder 43 **Laura E. Coogan, 1962**
Widow of Victor A. Coogan. Includes correspondence of Mary Green.
- Folder 44 **Minnie M. Cook, 1962**
Widow of John W. Cook. Includes correspondence of Clyde E. Cook.
- Folder 45 **Mayme Costigan, 1962**
Includes correspondence of James Murphy and Florence J. Murphy.
- Folder 46 **Mary C. Crees, 1962**
- Folder 47 **Sadie Crocker, 1962**
Widow of Thomas Crocker.
- Folder 48 **Lillie Virginia Daniels, 1962**
Widow of James T. Daniels.
- Folder 49 **Anna L. Davenport, 1962**
Widow of Howard Davenport.
- Folder 50 **Louise B. Dillon, circa 1888-1890, 1962**
Widow of Patrick J. Dillon. Includes photographs, circa 1888-1890, of J.W. Schofield of the Third Cavalry, and the Third Cavalry at Fort Sam Houston, Texas.
[JNEM Visual Images 101-10 through 101-11]
- Folder 51 **Margaret K. Dipp, 1962**

Widow of Charles Dipp.

Box 1 (cont'd)

- Folder 52 **Agnes Craven Dolan, 1923, 1962**
Widow of James Connelly Dolan. Includes correspondence of Charles J. Craven.
- Folder 53 **Lena R. Dorn, 1962**
Includes correspondence of Mrs. George Humes.
- Folder 54 **Edith A. Douglas, 1890, 1962, and undated**
Widow of John Barclay Douglas. Includes correspondence of William A. Douglas. Also includes photographs of a warrior with woman holding a baby at Standing Rock Agency, North Dakota; Twelfth Infantry soldiers and an Indian policeman at Fort Yates, North Dakota; and Sitting Bull's ghost dance in 1890.
[JNEM Visual Images 101-12 through 101-14]
- Folder 55 **Helen S. Dunn, 1962**
Widow of Joseph H. Dunn. Includes correspondence of Florence E. (Dunn) Waldock.
- Folder 56 **Lillian J. Ebert, circa 1888-1892, 1962**
Widow of Louis J. Ebert. Includes a photograph of Louis Ebert in full dress uniform of the Sixth Cavalry, circa 1888-1892.
[JNEM Visual Image 101-15]

Box 2

- Folder 1 **Anna Eisele, 1962-1963**
Widow of Charles V. Eisele. Includes correspondence of Norbert Eisele.
- Folder 2 **Anna Eisele, donated photographs & records, circa 1864-1905**
Includes photographs of Twenty-first Infantry soldiers, circa 1889-1893; Private Peter Eisele of the Second Missouri Infantry Volunteers, 1864; Charles Joseph Eisele; and an Indian Company of the Twenty-first Infantry taken at Fort Sidney, Nebraska. Peter Eisele's discharge certificate from the Second Missouri Infantry Volunteers (1864) is also included, as are the listed duties an a non-commissioned officer in charge of quarters, undated; the service record of Sgt. Charles J. Eisele, 1888-1893; lyrics of the song, "Cholera Court;" and a roster of the non-commissioned officers of the Twenty-first Infantry, 1893. Of particular interest is a brochure published by the Uintah Home-Seekers' Club advertising the opening of Uintah Indian Reservation in northwestern

Utah to homesteaders.
[JNEM Visual Images 101-16 through 101-20]

Box 2 (cont'd)

- Folder 3 **"Target Practice, or Practical Information for the Rifle Range," 1884**
A pamphlet published in 1884 by Major Guy V. Henry of the Ninth Cavalry, and Inspector of Rifle Practice for the Department of the Missouri, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. Acquired from Anna Eisele.
- Folder 4 **Helena B. Evers, 1962**
Widow of Converse W. Evers.
- Folder 5 **Crescentia Helen Foerst, circa 1888-1891, 1962**
Widow of Joseph Foerst. Includes a photograph of Joseph Foerst of the Eighth Cavalry, Troop E, taken at Fort Buford, North Dakota, circa 1888-1891.
[JNEM Visual Image 101-21]
- Folder 6 **Edith M. Forrest, circa 1930, 1962**
Widow of Edward Forrest. Includes transcript of Edward Forrest's reminiscences (1930) of fighting at Wounded Knee and White Clay Creek.
- Folder 7 **Anna Forstner, 1962**
Widow of Joseph Forstner Sr. Includes correspondence of Joseph Forstner Jr.
- Folder 8 **Nabah Francisco, 1962**
Widow of Hula Francisco.
- Folder 9 **Lillian Fried, 1962**
Widow of Nathaniel Fried.
- Folder 10 **L.L.H. Garcia, 1962**
Widow of Juan Garcia II.
- Folder 11 **Lula Garland, 1962**
Widow of James Garland.
- Folder 12 **Margaret Garrigan, circa 1892-1895, 1962-1964**
Widow of William Garrigan. Includes two photographs of William Garrigan of the Fourth Cavalry, Troop A, taken circa 1892-1895; one of the photographs is of the "Rarey system."
[JNEM Visual Images 101-22 through 101-23]

- Folder 13 **Addie Green, 1962**
Widow of Samuel Allen Green.
- Box 2 (cont'd)**
- Folder 14 **Clara G. Hansen, 1934, 1962**
Widow of Robert Hansen. Includes newsclipping about Hansen's enlistment in the Sixth Cavalry and his acquaintance with Lieutenant John J. Pershing.
- Folder 15 **Mrs. Wade H. Harpole, circa 1878-1898, 1962**
Widow of Wade H. Harpole. Includes information about Mrs. Harpole's childhood in the Regular Army. Also included are photographs of the post exchange at Fort D.A. Russell, Wyoming, circa 1891; soldiers of the Eighth Infantry, taken circa 1878 at Fort McDowell, Arizona; and a Christmas celebration at Fort D. A. Russell, circa 1891-1898.
[JNEM Visual Images 101-24 through 101-26]
- Folder 16 **Elmira W. Harris, 1962**
Widow of Samuel E. Harris. Includes correspondence of M. Edyth Williams.
- Folder 17 **Ruth L. Harris, 1962**
Widow of Jesse Grant Harris.
- Folder 18 **M.B. Hartzog, 1891, 1962**
Widow of Joshua B. Hartzog. Includes general orders (1891) citing Hartzog for bravery at the Battle of Wounded Knee.
- Folder 19 **Mary L. Heady, circa 1890, 1962-1963**
Widow of Jefferson D. Heady. Includes a photograph of Sgt. Major Jefferson Heady and other soldiers of the First Infantry, Company F; and a photograph of the First Infantry, Company F, in dress uniform, ca. 1890.
[JNEM Visual Images 101-27 through 101-28]
- Folder 20 **Augusta Heitmuller, 1888-1893, 1962**
Widow of Ernst Heitmuller. Includes a photograph of Ernst Heitmuller, circa 1890, and his discharge certificates from the Third Cavalry (1888) and the Fourth Cavalry (1893). See also Oversize Box 1, Folder 1, for a copy of his sergeant's warrant from the Fourth Cavalry (1891).
[JNEM Visual Image 101-29]

- Folder 21 **Margaret Hibbard, 1962**
Widow of George W. Hibbard.
- Folder 22 **Kidezbah Hillman, 1962**
Widow of Edward Sinnman.
- Box 2 (cont'd)**
- Folder 23 **Mrs. Jessie C. Holen, 1962**
Widow of John O. Holen.
- Folder 24 **Emma Hopson, 1962**
Includes correspondence of E.T. Muller.
- Folder 25 **Mary E. Horton, 1962**
Widow of Ralph E. Horton.
- Folder 26 **Effie Hughart, 1962-1963**
Widow of John P. Hughart. Includes correspondence of D.H. Hughart.
- Folder 27 **Rhoda Hurless, 1962**
Widow of James Hurless.
- Folder 28 **Martha M. Jahn, 1888-1890, 1962**
Widow of Max F. Jahn. Includes correspondence of Walter F. Jahn. Also included are photographs of the First Cavalry in dress uniform, taken circa 1889-1890 at Fort Custer, Montana; Max Jahn of the First Cavalry, taken at Fort Custer in 1889; Company B recruits, probably taken at Jefferson Barracks, Missouri; an unidentified cavalryman, taken in 1890; Morritz Goetz of the First Cavalry, taken in 1889; unidentified cavalrymen at Camp Sheridan, Nebraska, in 1890; and Troop B [or Troop K?] cavalrymen taken at Jefferson Barracks in 1888.
[JNEM Visual Images 101-30 through 101-34, and 101-49 through 101-52]
- Folder 29 **Josephine Johnson, 1962**
Widow of Charles H. Johnson. Includes correspondence of Bernice Abel.
- Folder 30 **Annie Karhoff, 1962**
Widow of Bernard A. Karhoff.
- Folder 31 **A.M. Keene, 1962**
Widow of Samuel S. Keene.
- Folder 32 **Mary Kelleher, 1962**

- Widow of James Kelleher.
- Folder 33 **Margaret G. Kilduff, 1962**
- Folder 34 **Natividad King, 1962**
- Folder 35 **May E. Knapp, 1962**
- Box 2 (cont'd)**
- Folder 36 **N. Knutson, 1962**
Includes correspondence of Bernice Heckel.
- Folder 37 **Leonora E. Krause, 1962**
Widow of William E.F. Krause.
- Folder 38 **Bettie Kriss, 1962**
Widow of Charles Kriss.
- Folder 39 **Elizabeth Lande, 1962**
Widow of Francis Lande. Includes correspondence of Joan H. Riebli.
See also Oversize Box 1, Folder 2, for Lande's sergeant's warrant in the
Seventh Cavalry (1887).
- Folder 40 **Mrs. Henry G. Lange, 1962**
Widow of Henry G. Lange.
- Folder 41 **Sallie Hencley Lawson, 1962**
Widow of Alex A. Lawson.
- Folder 42 **Erik Grant Lea, circa 1880-1889, 1962-1963**
Son of Lawrence Lea, alias Lars Lea. Includes a biographical sketch of
Lawrence Lea and an advertisement for the "Fort Assiniboine [sic]
Varieties" held at Fort Assiniboine, Montana, in 1883. Also includes
pages from Lea's journal (April 1881 - September 1884) documenting
his brief military service in Montana Territory, during which he lost his
left leg from an accidental, self-inflicted gunshot. In this file are
photographs taken circa 1880-1883 of several Second Cavalry soldiers,
including Samuel Douglas of Troop H; Lawrence Lea; Marion Whitker
of Company H; Paul Friesen of Company A; Private Peterson of Troop
H [or Troop L?]; calvarymen Brown, McLaughlin, and Colbert; Sgt.
Hale of Troop H; and William Farrier of Troop H. Also included are
photographs of Sgt. Paul Friesen of the Eighteenth Infantry, Company F,
taken at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, in 1889; Dr. R.B. Benham, assistant
surgeon of the Second Cavalry at Fort Assiniboine, 1883; a Sioux camp
at Fort Assiniboine, circa 1881-1883; and a drawing of Fort Assiniboine,

1881. Researchers are advised to also see the folder for Mrs. Astrid Sherven.

[JNEM Visual Images 101-35 through 101-48]

Folder 43

Max Littman, 1874

Includes a certificate verifying Littman's honorable discharge from the Twenty-seventh Infantry, Company C, and a certificate of citizenship issued to him in 1874.

[JNEM Visual Images 101-53 through 101-54]

Box 2 (cont'd)

Folder 44

Mrs. I. Lloyd, 1962

Widow of Carl J. Lloyd. Includes correspondence of Ada G. Lloyd.

Folder 45

Lillian L. Logan, 1962

Widow of Green Logan.

Folder 46

Catherine Hugo Louch, 1962

Widow of Edward P. Louch.

Folder 47

Nettie Lynn, 1962

Widow of George R. Lynn.

Folder 48

Della Maddox, 1962

Widow of John Paton Maddox.

Folder 49

Eva L. Marcee, 1962

Widow of William T. Marcee.

Folder 50

V.P. Marshman, 1962

Includes correspondence of Maude P. Kofke.

Folder 51

Mrs. John W. McCracken, 1962

Widow of John W. McCracken.

Folder 52

Beulah B. McDonald, 1962

Widow of Samuel T. McDonald.

Folder 53

Melinda McDonald, 1962

Widow of Simon McDonald.

Folder 54

Esther McReynolds, 1962

Widow of Thomas McReynolds.

Folder 55

Fannie Medlin, 1962

Includes correspondence of Dr. J. O'Neill, M.D.

Folder 56 **Delia B. Miles, 1962**
Widow of William T. Miles.

Folder 57 **Lettie Miller, 1962**
Widow of John A. Miller.

Folder 58 **Clara A. Mitchell, 1962**
Widow of George W. Mitchell.

Box 2 (cont'd)

Folder 59 **Maude Moore, 1962**
Widow of William Moore.

Folder 60 **Florence H. Nash, 1962-1963**
Widow of Frank F. Nash.

Folder 61 **Blanche Nelson, 1962-1963**
Widow of Andrew Nelson.

Folder 62 **Ida E. Nixon, circa 1891-1894, 1962**
Widow of John R. "Apache Jack" Nixon, alias John R. Norton. Includes a photograph of John Nixon taken in campaign gear of the Seventh Cavalry, beside his horse, at Fort Riley, Kansas, circa 1891-1892. Also included are his discharge certificate and letters verifying his employment with Buffalo Bill's Wild West & Congress of Rough Riders of the World. A letter to Nixon from Charles [Prune?], dated 21 April 1940, concerning Prune's service in the Fourth Cavalry can also be found in this file. See also Oversize Box 1, Folder 3, for a newsclipping detailing Nixon's military service. Newsclipping has references to Sioux chief Big Foot; Seventh Cavalry chief of scouts Frank Grouard; Tombstone, Arizona, sheriff Bill Tilghman; and outlaw John Wesley Hardin.
[JNEM Visual Image 101-55]

The manuscripts in folders 63-67 were supplied by Ida E. Nixon (see previous folder). The Archives does not own copyrights to these materials, and permission to quote, cite, or reproduce must be obtained from Nixon's heirs.

Folder 63 **"The Cowboy," by Apache Jack, undated**
Reminiscences of John R. Nixon on cattle drives, cowboy life, and the Chisholm Trail.

Folder 64 **"The Legend Of Standing Rock," by Major W.G. Wilkinson, undated**
Wilkinson was a major in the Eighth Cavalry. Relates the legend from which the Standing Rock Sioux Indian Reservation took its name.

Folder 65 **"On The Trail With Frank Grouad [sic]," by John R. (Norton) "Apache Jack" Nixon, undated**
Nixon's account of scouting Sioux Indians with Frank Grouard of the Seventh Cavalry during the Campaign of 1890-1891. Note that the pages are numbered incorrectly.

Box 2 (cont'd)

Folder 66 **"Gunmen Of The Old Days," by John R. (Norton) "Apache Jack" Nixon, undated**
Recounts the exploits of lawmen such as Bat Masterson, Bill Tilghman, Tom and Ralph Nixon, Luke and John Short, and Wyatt Earp.

Folder 67 **"The Tumbleweed," by The Tumbleweed, undated**
John R. Nixon's account of how his father and uncle were ambushed by Sioux Indians while enroute to the California gold fields.

Box 3

Folder 1 **Emma Nuckolls, circa 1893-1895, 1962**
Widow of James Alphas Nuckolls. In this file are photographs of the Second Cavalry, Troop C, taken "at supper" in 1895 near Fort Riley, Kansas; bivouacked (near Fort Riley?), circa 1893; on Fort Riley barracks steps; mounted on horses; and at a military funeral. Also included are photographs of James Nuckolls riding wheel mule, circa 1893-1895, and Nuckolls in dress uniform of the Second Cavalry, Troop C, as well as a photograph of Fort Riley.
[JNEM Visual Images 101-56 through 101-65]

Folder 2 **Blanche B. Oles, 1962**
Widow of Ulysses S. Oles.

Folder 3 **Teckla Ollson, 1962-1963**
Widow of Nils G. Olsson.

Folder 4 **I. H. Olvis, 1962**
Widow of Samuel Olvis.

Folder 5 **Annie M. O'Neil, 1962**

Includes correspondence of William T. Hogan.

Folder 6

Ethel M. Opitz, 1962

Widow of Edward Henry Pickard.

Folder 7

Signe O. Parelius, circa 1890, 1962

Widow of Saphus Wettergren Parelius. Includes a photograph of Private Parelius (on left) and two other soldiers of the Fourth Artillery, possibly taken at Wounded Knee, South Dakota, circa 1890.

[JNEM Visual Image 101-66]

Box 3 (cont'd)

Folder 8

Fanny Parkes, 1962

Widow of Frank Parkes.

Folder 9

Ava Penrod, 1962-1963

Widow of William Harley Penrod.

Folder 10

Mrs. C.F. Perks, 1962

Includes correspondence of L.D. Bohnett.

Folder 11

M.C. Phillips, 1962

Widow of Joseph Alexandria Phillips.

Folder 12

Bessie M. Platt, 1962

Widow of Thomas O. Platt.

Folder 13

A.M. Pyne, 1878-1895, 1962-1963

Widow of Michael W. Pyne. Includes correspondence of Josephine Calvagna. Also includes material on Michael Pyne's appointment as overseer of schools at Fort Lyon, Colorado, in 1878; his appointment as a sergeant-major in the Nineteenth Infantry in 1880; a list of the non-commissioned officers of the Nineteenth Infantry, published in 1881; and a copy of Pyne's enlistment record, 1878-1895.

[JNEM Visual Images 101-67 through 101-76]

Folder 14

M. Rand, 1962

Folder 15

Addie Rasmussen, 1962

Widow of Peter Rasmussen.

Folder 16

Carrie Jane Ray, 1890, 1962

Widow of Eliyak Ray. Includes a Ninth Cavalry Christmas menu (1890)

from Fort Du Chesne, Utah.

- Folder 17 **Clara Reed, 1962**
Widow of Edward F. Reed.
- Folder 18 **Gertrude M. Reese, 1962**
Widow of Thomas Reese. Includes correspondence of Ollie A. [Kront?].
- Folder 19 **Lottie L. Reibestein, 1962**
Widow of Robert Reibestein. Includes correspondence of Ruth E. Schu.

Box 3 (cont'd)

- Folder 20 **Bertha Reynolds, 1962**
Widow of Carl Reynolds.
- Folder 21 **Agnes Yellow Robe, 1962**
- Folder 22 **Anna J. Roberts, 1962**
Widow of William Roberts.
- Folder 23 **Mary Emma Rogers, 1962**
Widow of Clarence Eland Rogers. Includes correspondence of Katherine Rogers Oakeshott.
- Folder 24 **Mary E. Roy, 1962**
Widow of Francis Roy.
- Folder 25 **Julia A. Russell, 1962**
Includes correspondence of Mrs. Bert Deming.
- Folder 26 **Anna Schmidt, 1888-1894, 1962**
Includes photographs of Fort Niobrara, Nebraska, taken in May 1890; Eighth Infantry trumpeters at Fort Niobrara, in September 1889; the Eighth Infantry band at Beardeaux Station (Camp Brook), Nebraska, in September 1888; and the Sixth Cavalry band, mounted, at Fort Niobrara in June 1894. Persons in the photograph of the Sixth Cavalry band have been identified as William H. Gordon, John Dineen, John Lichsinger, Edward Philip, Joe Colbnight, Henry Alden, Henry Romer, William F. Daugherty, Axel Braberg, William Klenke, George Southerland, Charles Henneberg, George Brassler, August Schmidt, Anton Humm, Gustav Geckler, and Fred Miller.
[JNEM Visual Images 101-77 through 101-81]
- Folder 27 **Anna E. Schreiner, 1962**

Folder 28 **Agnes Schroeder, 1962**
Widow of Oscar Schroeder. Includes correspondence of Gertrude S. Bevers.

Folder 29 **Florence M. Scott, 1962**
Widow of Walter Scott.

Folder 30 **Lucy Scott, 1962**
Includes correspondence of Ruth S. Hickman.

Box 3 (cont'd)

Folder 31 **Mrs. Astrid Sherven, 1886-1887, 1962**
Widow of Ole Sherven. Includes a photograph of Ole Sherven, probably taken at Fort Grant, Arizona, in 1886, and a photograph of soldiers of the First Infantry, Company D, taken in 1887. See also Erik Grant Lea file. *[JNEM Visual Images 101-82 through 101-83]*

Folder 32 **S. Shlesinger, 1922**
Includes a copy of a letter from Shlesinger to Theodore B. Pittman, dated 7 August 1922. Shlesinger relates events of the Battle of Beecher's Island on the Arickaree Fork of the Republican River, near the Colorado-Kansas border. It was at Beecher's Island in September 1868 that Colonel George A. Forsyth defeated a band of Cheyenne Indians led by Roman Nose.

Folder 33 **Louanna Skinner, 1962**
Widow of Aaron Skinner.

Folder 34 **Lillian B. Smith, 1962**
Widow of David James Smith.

Folder 35 **M.G. Smith, 1887, 1962**
Widow of William W. Smith. Includes Smith's sharpshooter's certificate (1887).

Folder 36 **V. Smith, 1962**
Widow of George Smith. Includes correspondence of Lillian Griffin.

Folder 37 **Alice Spare, 1962**
Includes correspondence of Ralph H. Spare.

Folder 38 **Mary J. Stearns, 1962**

Widow of Charles M. Grogan. Includes correspondence of Sabina F. Vorck.

Folder 39

Lena Stein, 1962

Includes correspondence of R.R. Bennett and J.E. Arnold.

Folder 40

Edith Stewart, 1962

Widow of William C. Stewart.

Folder 41

Eva Stiles, 1962

Includes correspondence of John M. Stiles.

Box 3 (cont'd)

Folder 42

J.A. Stossmeister, 1882-1884, 1962

Widow of Frederick Stossmeister. Includes Stossmeister's marksman's certificate (1884); a letter of application for telegraph operator, addressed to the assistant-adjutant general at the Presido, California (1883), with letter of recommendation from the commander of Fort Halleck, Nevada; and a program of a military ball at Fort Halleck, Nevada (1882).

Folder 43

Fannie D. Suter, 1962

Widow of William Suter.

Folder 44

Nannie Suttles, 1962

Widow of John J. Suttles. Two photographs of John Suttles, probably received from his widow by Don Rickey in conjunction with this project, can be found in the exhibit planning files of the Museum of Westward Expansion.

Folder 45

Elizabeth Teston, 1963

Folder 46

Maude Justice Tobias, 1881, 1962

Widow of Edwin S. Tobias. Includes Tobias' discharge certificate (1881).

[JNEM Visual Image 101-84]

Folder 47

Vesper Garnett (Batts) Trodick, circa 1890-1895, 1962

Widow of Alfred J. Trodick. Includes photographs of Col. J.J. Van Horn, circa 1890-1893; Sergeant Huddle and Sergeant Luckville of the Eighth Infantry, Company E, taken circa 1892-1895; the Eighth Infantry band at Fort Russell, Wyoming, circa 1892-1894; Company A, U.S. Infantry, at Fort D.A. Russell, Wyoming, circa 1892-1894; Eighth Infantry, Company A, at Lemhi Camp (Teton Pass), Idaho, in June 1895;

and Eighth Infantry, Company C, taken at Fort Robinson, Nebraska, in 1890. Also included in this file is an aerial view of Fort Robinson in 1890.

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Folder 48

E.C. Truitt, 1962

Widow of George W. Truitt.

Folder 49

Mabelle J. Vance, 1962

Folder 50

Cora A. Veness, 1962

Widow of James Veness.

Folder 51

Maud T. Wagner, 1962

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Folder 52

Mary Seavey Wallace, 1962

Widow of John P. Wallace. Includes correspondence of Harriet Wallace Hill.

Folder 53

Josephine Waller, 1962

Widow of Thomas Waller.

Folder 54

Carrie B. Watkins, 1962

Widow of Burlie B. Watkins.

Folder 55

Martha Weiss, 1962

Folder 56

Mrs. C. H. Wheaton, 1962

Folder 57

Alice Wilson, 1962

Folder 58

L.B. Wilson, 1962

Folder 59

Maggie E. Wingender, circa 1890, 1962

Widow of Jacob Wingender. Includes a photograph of Jacob Wingender, bugler of the Twelfth Infantry, Company F, taken at Fort Yates, North Dakota, circa 1890.

[JNEM Visual Image 101-92]

Folder 60

Hattie Lee Winston, 1962

Widow of Arthur William Winston.

Folder 61

Anna Wittenbecher, 1962

Widow of Charles F. Wittenbecher.

- Folder 62 **B. Wollenberg, 1962**
Includes correspondence of A. Wasserman.
- Folder 63 **Anna S. Wood, 1962**
Widow of Edwin D. Wood.
- Folder 64 **Clara E. Wright, 1962**
Widow of James Wright.
- Folder 65 **Frances Young, 1962**
Widow of Thomas Young.

Box 3 (cont'd)

- Folder 66 **Josephine B. Young, 1889, 1962**
Widow of James Young. Includes a certificate of merit issued to James Young of the Twenty-fourth Infantry, Company K (1889). Duplicate copies of the certificate of merit are in Oversize Box 1, Folder 4.
[JNEM Visual Image 101-93]
- Folder 67 **Mary E. Young, 1962**
Widow of Casper Young.
- Folder 68 **Mail not delivered, 1962**
Letters and questionnaires mailed by Don Rickey to Indian Wars widows in April 1962, but returned by the Post Office as undeliverable. Questionnaires, all blank, have been discarded. Widows in this file include:
Mrs. A. Atkins; Mrs. Laura E. Cavaness; Mrs. C.F. Davis; Mrs. J. C. Lane; Mrs. E. Lefferts; Mrs. C. Rushton; Mrs. Mary B. Staples; and Mrs. E. Walter.

Series 2. Mailing List

This series contains computer cards produced by the Veterans Administration and containing names and addresses of all Indian Wars widows receiving pensions at the time of this project. These are arranged alphabetically by name of the widow. Dates written in the upper right corner are dates letters and questionnaires were mailed.

Box 4

Folder 1	Mailing list: A
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Folder 18	Mailing list: R
Folder 19	Mailing list: S
<u>Box 5</u>	
Folder 1	Mailing list: T
Folder 2	Mailing list: V
Folder 3	Mailing list: W

- Folder 4 **Mailing list: X, Y, Z**
- Folder 5 **Mailing list: Local**
Names and addresses of Indian Wars widows who lived in the St. Louis area.
- Folder 6 **Mailing list: Dependents**
Names and addresses of children of deceased Indian Wars veterans who were incapable of self-support. These dependents were not contacted by Rickey for this project.
- Folder 7 **Mailing list: Not to be contacted**
A note attached to these cards suggests that these persons were not included in the survey.

Series 3. List of Photocopies

This list appears to have been compiled as a subject index to donated photographs, and used by Rickey in his research for "The Soldier's Frontier," one in a series of planning documents produced for the Museum of Westward Expansion. Each subject entry on the list references a widow's file. This list appears to be incomplete, containing fewer entries than there are photographs in the collection. Researchers are advised to also use the general index to this finding aid, Appendix 1.

- Folder 8 **List of photocopies**
Also included is a letter to Rickey from Michael Kennedy, director of the Historical Society of Montana.
- Folder 9 **List of photocopies (cards)**
Appears to be the same as the list in folder 8, except that this list is in a 3 x 5 card format.

Oversize Box 1

- Folder 1 **Augusta Heitmuller, 1891**
Widow of Ernst Heitmuller. Includes a copy of Ernst Heitmuller's sergeant's warrant in the Fourth Cavalry (1891). See also Box 2, Folder 20.
- Folder 2 **Elizabeth Lande, 1887**

Widow of Francis Lande. Includes Francis Lande's sergeant's warrant in the Seventh Cavalry (1887). See also Box 2, Folder 39.

Folder 3

Ida E. Nixon, 1958

Widow of John R. "Apache Jack" Nixon, alias John R. Norton. Contains a newsclipping from the Philadelphia Inquirer Magazine (May 25, 1958) detailing Nixon's military service. Newsclipping has references to Sioux chief Big Foot; Seventh Cavalry chief of scouts Frank Grouard; Tombstone, Arizona, sheriff Bill Tilghman; and outlaw John Wesley Hardin. The newsclipping includes a photograph of Nixon taken shortly before he died. See also Box 2, Folder 62.

[JNEM Visual Image 101-95]

Folder 4

Josephine B. Young, 1889

Widow of James Young. Includes a certificate of merit issued to James Young of the Twenty-fourth Infantry, Company K, (1889). See also Box 3, Folder 66.

Oversize Box 1 (cont'd)

Folder 5

"16 Veterans Of The Indian Wars Are Left; Only Survivors Of 106,000 Soldiers Who Fought The Red Men In 40-Year Struggle In The West," 1965

Newsclipping from the St. Louis Post-Dispatch dated January 4, 1965. Written by W. Joynes MacFarland, it contains reminiscences of Indian Wars veterans Hugh McGinnis, Howard Fielding, Walter C. Harrington, John Daw (alias Hasteen-Tsoh), Reginald Bradley, and Simpson Mann. Other veterans listed include Harry E. Brockman, Reuben Bush, Fredrak W. Fraske, Henry W. Hanft, Charles G. Jones, Joshua Johnson, Robert C. Norman, Walter J. Potter, William Sutphin, and Griffith C. Williams. The newsclipping includes photographs of Simpson Mann and Howard Fielding.

[JNEM Visual Images 101-96 through 101-97]

APPENDIX 1. FINDING AID INDEX

This is an index to the Archives' descriptive finding aid to the records of the Indian Wars Widows Project. It does not directly index the records in the collection, but rather the folder titles, annotations, and other components of the finding aid, including the introduction and arrangement sections and the series descriptions. Included in the index are subjects, names of individuals and organizations, and titles of publications and other issuances that appear in the finding aid. Note that titles are listed in the index in all capital letters.

An index entry followed by a (p), (m), or (d) indicates that the referenced folder contains photographs, maps, or drawings, respectively. In addition, a folder might also include other types of records, such as correspondence, diaries, reports, newspaper clippings, etc. Photographic materials include still photographs, negatives, transparencies, newspaper prints, etc. Drawings are primarily architectural or engineering renderings.

Only selected photographs in the Indian Wars Widows Project records have been described in the finding aid and included in this index. Researchers are advised that a separate, comprehensive index of the Archives' complete photographic holdings is available. Also available is a database containing information on all photographs in this collection, including the dates taken, names of photographers, and identifications of persons, events, and locations, if known.

Dates listed in the index are inclusive dates of those records in the referenced folder. The finding aid series to which the material belongs is noted. Materials can be retrieved from the collection by citing the box and folder numbers given in the index.

APPENDIX 2. LIST OF VISUAL IMAGES

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