

Lydia S. M. Robinson Collection Relating to World War I
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Collection Summary

Title: Lydia S. M. Robinson Collection Relating to World War I

Span Dates: 1914-1942

Bulk Dates: (bulk 1914-1918)

ID No.: MSS52530

Collector: Robinson, Lydia S. M.

Extent: 13,500 items

Extent: 18 containers

Extent: 6 linear feet

Language: Collection material in English

Location: Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

LC Catalog record: <https://lccn.loc.gov/mm76052530>

Summary: Secretary of the Navy League of the United States, Department 6, Philadelphia, Pa. Correspondence, military service record data sheets, clippings, and card index relating to participation in World War I by American citizens fighting with other Allied Powers, including men who were rejected for service and men who joined the fighting before the official entrance of the United States into the war.

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the LC Catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically.

People

Robinson, Lydia S. M., collector.

Organizations

Allied and Associated Powers (1914-1920)

Subjects

Recruiting and enlistment.

World War, 1914-1918--United States.

World War, 1914-1918.

Places

United States--Armed Forces.

Provenance

The collection of Lydia S. M. Robinson, secretary of the Navy League of the United States, Department No. 6, Philadelphia, Pa., was given to the Library of Congress by Robinson in 1967.

Processing History

The Lydia S. M. Robinson Collection Relating to World War I was processed in 1977. The finding aid was revised in 2011.

Copyright Status

The status of copyright in the unpublished writings of Lydia S. M. Robinson Collection is governed by the Copyright Law of the United States (Title 17, U.S.C.).

Access and Restrictions

The Lydia S. M. Robinson Collection is open to research. Researchers are advised to contact the Manuscript Reading Room prior to visiting. Many collections are stored off-site and advance notice is needed to retrieve these items for research use.

Preferred Citation

Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: Container number, Lydia S. M. Robinson Collection Relating to World War I, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Scope and Content Note

The collection of Lydia S. M. Robinson relating to World War I covers the period 1914-1942, with the bulk of the material concentrated in the period 1914-1918. The collection consists of correspondence, service records, and other material relating to American citizens who joined the Allied Powers prior to the official entrance of the United States into World War I. It also relates to those Americans who were rejected for military service by American recruiting officers for medical reasons or age after this country went to war, but were able to enlist in one of the Allied services. Americans who became citizens of other countries are not included. The collection is organized into three series: [General Correspondence and Other Material](#), [Military Service Record Data Sheets](#), and [Miscellany](#).

The [Military Service Record Data Sheets](#) include date and place of birth, name of parents, date and place of enlistment, declaration of citizenship, outfit and branch of service, and name of country for which service was rendered. Some of the volunteers cited decorations of valor received and recounted events that took place at the battlefield. The data sheets indicate that some of the men in the Allied services later transferred to American armed services after this country joined the Allies against the Central Powers.

In the [Miscellany](#) series are military service records lists, miscellaneous notes, clippings, and photographs, and card indexes to the data sheets in the previous series. Also in [Miscellany](#) is a roster of American Field Service Volunteers from World War II, 1939-1942.

Arrangement of the Papers

This collection is arranged in three series:

- [General Correspondence and Other Material, 1916-1936](#)
- [Military Service Record Data Sheets, 1914-1918](#)
- [Miscellany, circa 1914-1942](#)

Description of Series

Container	Series
BOX 1-3	<p><u>General Correspondence and Other Material, 1916-1936</u></p> <p>Letters sent and received and related matter. Arranged chronologically.</p>
BOX 3-11	<p><u>Military Service Record Data Sheets, 1914-1918</u></p> <p>The Military Service Record Data Sheets include date and place of birth, name of parents, date and place of enlistment, declaration of citizenship, outfit and branch of service, and name of country for which service was rendered. See Miscellany series for <u>card index</u> to data sheets.</p> <p>Arranged alphabetically by name of person.</p>
BOX 12-18	<p><u>Miscellany, circa 1914-1942</u></p> <p>Military service records lists and notes from World War I, related clippings, other printed matter, and photographs, and card indexes to the military service record data sheets in the previous series. Also includes roster lists of American Field Service Volunteer in World War II.</p> <p>Arranged by type of material.</p>

Container List

Container	Contents
BOX 1-3	General Correspondence and Other Material, 1916-1936 Letters sent and received and related matter. Arranged chronologically.
BOX 1	1916, June-1920, May
BOX 2	1920, June-1936, Mar.
BOX 3	Undated
BOX 3-11	Military Service Record Data Sheets, 1914-1918 The Military Service Record Data Sheets include date and place of birth, name of parents, date and place of enlistment, declaration of citizenship, outfit and branch of service, and name of country for which service was rendered. See Miscellany series for <i>card index</i> to data sheets. Arranged alphabetically by name of person.
BOX 3	Abate–Alleman
BOX 3	Allen–Anderson
BOX 3	Andrews–Avis
BOX 3	Babcock–Bass
BOX 3	Bassett–Berger
BOX 3	Berget–Blake
BOX 4	Blakeney–Bowe
BOX 4	Bowens–Brey
BOX 4	Brockley–Browning
BOX 4	Broyles–Byrne
BOX 4	Cadman–Carson
BOX 4	Carstairs–Claflin
BOX 4	Clapp–Condell
BOX 5	Condit–Craig
BOX 5	Cramer–Cyra
BOX 5	Da Costa–De Zee
BOX 5	Dean–Doran
BOX 5	Doubleday–Dyrhman
BOX 5	Earle–Embree
BOX 5	Embury–Eypper
BOX 6	Faber–Fisher
BOX 6	Fishgold–Fountain
BOX 6	Fowler–Funnell
BOX 6	Gagan–Gilbert
BOX 6	Gilchriese–Goodrich
BOX 6	Goodwin–Green
BOX 6	Greene–Gwathmey
BOX 7	Haberle–Hanna

Military Service Record Data Sheets, 1914-1918

Container	Contents
BOX 7	Hannah–Hayden
BOX 7	Hayes–Heyne
BOX 7	Heywood–Hodgman
BOX 7	Hodson–Howland
BOX 7	Hoy–Hyman
BOX 7	Iasigi–Isberg
BOX 7	Jacks–Johnston
BOX 7	Johnstone–Julian
BOX 7	Kaelin–Kimball
BOX 7	Kimber–Kysh
BOX 8	La Beaf–Larson
BOX 8	Latham–Lee
BOX 8	Leggett–Litchfield
BOX 8	Little–Lyons
BOX 8	McArthur–McFarland
BOX 8	McFarlane–McKim
BOX 8	McKnight–McWilliams
BOX 8	MacCarthy–MacKenzie
BOX 8	Mackness–Martenson
BOX 8	Martin–Middleton
BOX 9	Milburn–Moore
BOX 9	Moran–Mullaney
BOX 9	Mullin–Musgrove
BOX 9	Nabatoff–Nicholas
BOX 9	Nichols–Newsted
BOX 9	Oakman–Onativia
BOX 9	O’Neil–Oxley
BOX 9	Paavola–Peine
BOX 9	Pelham–Pickerl
BOX 9	Pickett–Putney
BOX 9	Quaif–Quinn
BOX 10	Rabbit–Reeve
BOX 10	Regat–Ripple
BOX 10	Ritchie–Rogan
BOX 10	Rogers–Ryder
BOX 10	Sabine–Scheetz
BOX 10	Scheid–Shulman
BOX 10	Shuman–Sloan
BOX 10	Smith–Snyder
BOX 10	Soden–Stanley
BOX 10	Stanton–Strain
BOX 10	Stratton–Symes
BOX 11	Taber–Teague
BOX 11	Tedford–Titcomb
BOX 11	Titus–Tyrrell
BOX 11	Ulrich

Military Service Record Data Sheets, 1914-1918

Container	Contents
BOX 11	Vail-Voorhis
BOX 11	Waddell-Ward
BOX 11	Weinstein-Whitcomb
BOX 11	White-Willford
BOX 11	Williams-Winslow
BOX 11	Winterfair-Wynne
BOX 11	Yant-Yule
BOX 11	Zanghi-Zuehlke
BOX 12-18	Miscellany, circa 1914-1942 Military service records lists and notes from World War I, related clippings, other printed matter, and photographs, and card indexes to the military service record data sheets in the previous series. Also includes roster lists of American Field Service Volunteer in World War II. Arranged by type of material.
BOX 12	Military service records, lists and notes, circa 1914-circa 1918
BOX 12	Clippings, other printed matter, and photographs, circa 1916-circa 1930
BOX 12	American Field Service Volunteers, roster, including the names of the sons of the volunteers, 1939-1942
BOX 13-18	Card index to military service record data sheets