

John McRae Kennelly Collection

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Guides to the Collections in the Veterans History Project



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Collection Summary

Title: John McRae Kennelly: Veterans History Project (U.S.)

Inclusive Dates: 1917-1919

Call No.: AFC 2001/001/64503

Creator: Kennelly, John McRae, 1895-1978

Extent (manuscripts): manuscripts: 23 items.

Language: Collection material is in English.

Location: Veterans History Project, American Folklife Center, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

LC Catalog record: <https://lccn.loc.gov/2017655345>

Summary: The John McRae Kennelly Collection contains correspondence relating to the veteran's service with the United States Army during World War I.

Online Content: Selected items from the John McRae Kennelly collection are available on the Library of Congress web site at <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.afc/eadvhp.vh017021.01>.

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

Kennelly, John McRae, 1895-1978--Correspondence.

Kennelly, John McRae, 1895-1978.

McClintock, Patty

Organizations

American Folklife Center

Veterans History Project (U.S.)

Subjects

World War, 1914-1918--Personal narratives, American.

World War, 1914-1918--Veterans--Colorado.

Form/Genre

Correspondence.

Manuscripts.

Arrangement

Arranged in one series: Manuscripts

Acquisition

Accessioned, 2008.

Copyright Status

Duplication of collection materials may be restricted.

Access and Restrictions

Collection is open for research; access restrictions apply. To request collection materials, please contact the Veterans History Project at <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.afc/vhp.contact>

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Biographical Notes

John McRae Kennelly was born March 5th, 1895, in Leadville, Colorado. He enlisted in the United States Army during World War I with the American Expeditionary Forces (AEF). Assigned to the Company D, 364th Infantry Regiment, 91st Division as a Private First Class, Kennelly was stationed in Belgium and France from 1917 to 1919. After the war, Kennelly returned home to his wife, Clara, and they had three children, John Jr., Jean, and Patty. They later moved their family to Hillsboro, Oregon, to farm. Kennelly died on December 28, 1978.

Scope and Content

The John McRae Kennelly Collection contains correspondence relating to the veteran's service with the United States Army during World War I. Correspondence includes letters to his wife, Clara, during his deployment to Belgium and France from 1917 to 1919. Topics covered include day to day camp life, the people of Belgium and France, combat, and mail delivery.

Description of Series

Container	Series
	<u>Series I: Manuscripts</u>

Container List

Container

Contents

Series I: Manuscripts

BOX-FOLDER MSS1859/1 Correspondence, 1917-1919

1 folder

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Twenty-three letters from the veteran to his wife, Clara, during his service with the American Expeditionary Forces (AEF) during World War I. Topics covered include camp life, Belgian and French towns, combat, and mail delivery.