

Hennepin County War Records Committee Collection

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Summary Information

Repository	James K. Hosmer Special Collections Library
Creator	Hennepin County War Records Committee.
Title	Hennepin County War Records Committee Collection
Date	1919-1933
Extent	1.08 Linear feet
Language	English

History

Collection consists of research done by Victory Memorial Drive War Committee to compile a Gold Star Roster of Hennepin County servicemen who died as a result of service in World War I. The Committee was also referred to as the Hennepin County War Records Committee. The roster was officially referred to as the Gold Star Roll of Hennepin County. The Committee was located at 318 Court House, Minneapolis, Minnesota. George E. Leach was the Chairman. Cecil W. Shirk was the Secretary. Gratia Countryman was also on the War Records Committee.

Collection includes correspondence and reports detailing the attempts of the Committee to compile a comprehensive list of servicemen connected to Hennepin County who died as a result of service in World War I. Efforts by the committee to ensure that the Gold Star Roster was comprehensive included at least one notice in the local newspaper, a canvass of every house in Minneapolis organized by the Women's Community Council, and a survey all school districts in Hennepin County. Collection also includes correspondence and reports relating to Committee's attempt to locate Service Records of Gold Star Roster candidates and determine eligibility of each candidate for membership on Gold Star Roster.

Members of the Gold Star Roster had a bronze marker placed on the Victory Memorial Drive. The dedication of Victory Memorial Drive was a major event in Minneapolis and Hennepin County's history.

Description of the Collection

Four boxes. Collection includes correspondence relating to soldier nominations and other War Records Committee correspondence. There is also correspondence about soldiers who died after the war. Included are materials from the dedication of the parkway, regrets from invitees and pamphlets of the Gold Star roster.

Reports included consist of War Records Committee reports, reports from high schools and teachers.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Related Materials

Related Materials

See also Victory Memorial Driveway Committee **M/A 2000.75.01** with its references to other materials available in SCMC.

Controlled Access Headings

Geographic Name(s)

- Glenwood-Camden Parkway (Minneapolis, Minn.)
- Victory Memorial Parkway (Minneapolis, Minn.)

Subject(s)

- War memorials -- Minnesota -- Hennepin County.
- World War, 1914-1918 -- Monuments -- Minnesota -- Minneapolis.
- World War, 1914-1918 -- Registers of dead -- Minnesota -- Hennepin County.
- World War, 1914-1918 -- War work -- Minnesota -- Hennepin County.

Correspondence relating to soldiers nominated for Gold Star Roster

Collection Inventory

Correspondence relating to soldiers nominated for Gold Star Roster		
	Box	Folder
Correspondence relating to soldiers nominated for Gold Star Roster 1921	1	1
Correspondence relating to soldiers nominated for Gold Star Roster 1921	1	2
Correspondence relating to soldiers nominated for Gold Star Roster 1921	1	3
Correspondence relating to soldiers nominated for Gold Star Roster 1921	1	4
Correspondence relating to soldiers nominated for Gold Star Roster 1921	1	5
Correspondence relating to soldiers nominated for Gold Star Roster 1921	1	6
Correspondence relating to soldiers nominated for Gold Star Roster 1921	1	7
Correspondence relating to soldiers nominated for Gold Star Roster 1921	1	8
Correspondence relating to soldiers nominated for Gold Star Roster 1921	1	9
Correspondence relating to soldiers nominated for Gold Star Roster 1921	1	10
Correspondence relating to soldiers nominated for Gold Star Roster 1921	1	11

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	1	12
	Box	Folder
Correspondence relating to soldiers nominated for Gold Star Roster 1921	2	1
Records of the United States Employment Service, Minnesota Branch 1918	2	2
Requests for service records for Hennepin County soldiers 1922	2	3
War Records Committee Correspondence 1921-1933	2	4
War Records Committee Reports 1920-1921	2	5
Booklet: Gold Stars of Minneapolis and Hennepin County 1921	2	6
Correspondence 1919-1920	2	7
Correspondence regarding prospective Gold Star roster names 1921-1922	2	8
Correspondence regarding corrections and additions to Gold Star roster names 1921	2	9
Correspondence regarding requests for war department service records 1922	2	10
Minnesota form for application for Soldier's Bonus	2	11
War Records Committee Reports	2	11

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Gold Star Reports from High Schools	2	12
Gold Star Reports from Teachers	2	13
List of Hennepin County servicemen who died after discharge 1922	2	14
List of Hennepin County servicemen who died after discharge 1922	2	15
Names nominated for Gold Star Roster but rejected	2	16
Names nominated for Gold Star Roster but rejected	2	17
Victory Memorial Drive Dedication -- Regrets from invitees	3	1
Pamphlets -- Gold Star Roster	3	2
General note		
View the booklets in the Minnesota Digital Library		
1. World War Gold Star Roll of Hennepin County: Program and Exercises for the Dedication of Memorial Trees on the Victory Memorial Driveway (http://reflections.mndigital.org/cdm/compoundobject/collection/mpls/id/22693)		
2. Gold Stars of Minneapolis and Hennepin County (http://reflections.mndigital.org/cdm/compoundobject/collection/mpls/id/22358)		
Pamphlet – United States of America War Office Authorized Abbreviations 1919	3	3

Leaders of Wartime Organizations

Leaders of Wartime Organizations		
	Box	Folder
Master List – Used for Compiling Names for Bronze Markers	3	4
List of Gold Stars in Local Cemeteries	3	5
List of Gold Star Mothers	3	6
Invitation to Gold Star Mothers	3	7
Newspaper clipping of Gold Star List from Minneapolis Journal May 29, 1921	3	8
Mailing List of next of kin of service men on Gold Star Roster	3	9
Press Releases	3	10
Reports and Lists of Red Cross Workers, Honor Roll members, and Wartime Organization Leaders		Box 4
	Box	Folder
Lists of Nurses and Welfare Workers	4	1
Lists of Nurses	4	2
Secretary's Last Report 2/19/1923	4	3

Reports and Lists of Red Cross Workers, Honor Roll members, and Wartime Or...

Secretary's Reports 1923	4	4
Complete Officer's List 1923	4	5
Minneapolis Red Cross Bulletin 1917-1918	4	6
Book Proposal 1931	4	7
Red Cross Workers 1919	4	8
Narratives of Welfare Workers: Last Names A-L 1918-1919	4	9
Narratives of Welfare Workers: Last Names M-Z 1918-1919	4	10
Honor Roll: Last Names A-L 1918-1919	4	11
Honor Roll: Last Names M-Z 1918-1919	4	12
	Box	Folder
Leaders of Minneapolis Wartime Organizations n.d.	5	1