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Summary Information

Repository	Arkansas State Archives
Title	George Sylvester McCue collection
Date [inclusive]	1917-1918
Extent	0.25 Cubic feet 1 OV folder
Language	English
Language of Materials	Materials entirely in English.

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Biographical/Historical Note

George Sylvester McCue was the son of an Irish immigrant who joined the army just before the Spanish American War in 1898. After the war, he spent time stationed in the Philippines, holding the rank of Second Lieutenant. A decade later, he was stationed in the American Southwest and Mexico City during the United States' search for Pancho Villa. In 1917, McCue came to Arkansas to train soldiers at Camp Pike. That year he also became a Mason, posing for a photograph alongside hundreds of fellow Masons on the front steps of Albert Pike Consistory, a building that would within a few short years, be destroyed by fire and replaced with the current Masonic Temple in downtown Little Rock. After the war, McCue retired to Los Angeles, California, where he died in 1945. After McCue's wife died, McCue's grandson, Jeffry S. Seldomridge inherited the collection, which he has generously donated to the Arkansas State Archives.

Scope and Contents

The collection contains two panoramic photographs, one of the Albert Pike Consistory class of 1917 and one of the training officer staff at Camp Pike in 1917. Additionally, the collection contains George McCue's Masonic certificate inducting him into the organization.

Administrative Information

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Immediate Source of Acquisition

Jeffry S. Seldomridge, Curtis, Washington, 2016.

Collection Inventory

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