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## HOW TO USE THIS FINDING AID

This finding aid is arranged in two parts:

1) The *Series Descriptions* section identifies and describes each individual collection. Where more than one reel of microfilm is involved in a collection, the descriptions are followed by a guide to what can be found and the order it can be found on each reel of film.

2) The *Detailed Examination* section may be consulted if more detailed descriptions of content, arrangement and/or item counts are desired.

For more information on the State of Vermont's military records, see the finding aid to the Records of the Adjutant and Inspector General (Microfilm Record Series PRA 364). The Glossary beginning on page thirteen of that document may also be helpful in describing the function and contents of various types of military records.

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## PART 1: SERIES DESCRIPTIONS

### MILITIA

#### Register of Enlistments in the United States Army, 1798-17 May 1815

Microfilm record series PRA 99

Thirteen reels of microfilm, 35mm (originals held by the National Archives)

Reels F2852-F2864

#### Content:

This series of films records Army enlistments, 1798-17 May 1815. The registers may provide name, rank, regiment, company, company commander, regimental commander, height, eye and hair color, complexion, age, occupation, place of birth, term of enlistment, when, where and by whom enlisted and remarks regarding the individual's record of service. Remarks may include information on transfer, death, court martial, desertion, furlough, prisoner of war status, resignation, discharge, reenlistment, illness, and/or promotion.

The organization of the film is alphabetical; however, the alphabetical arrangement has been "initialized," meaning that order proceeds from last initial together with first initial (i.e. all whose last initial is "M" and whose first initial is "A" precede those whose last initial is "M" and whose first initial is "B." In this arrangement Mullin, Andrew, will come before Macy, Benjamin. Non-combatants (servants, surgeons, washerwomen, apothecaries, etc.) are listed at the end of their appropriate section and are usually classified as "miscellaneous." There is a glossary of abbreviations at the beginning of the first reel.

Notes: These reels form part of a more comprehensive series of films from the National Archives entitled, "Registers of Enlistments in the United States Army, 1798-1914." The films were produced in 1956 by the National Archives (Microcopy number M233) and were transferred to Public Records, Reference and Research Division in 1968

<u>Reel#</u>	<u>Title</u>
F2852	Volume 1: A
	Volume 2: B
F2853	Volumes 3-4: B
F2854	Volumes 5-6: C
F2855	Volume 8: D
	Volume 7: D-E, H
F2856	Volume 9: F
	Volume 10: G
F2857	Volume 11: H

	Volume 12: H
F2858	Volume 13: I-J
	Volume 14: K-L
F2859	Volume 15: L
	Volume 16: M
F2860	Volume 17: M
	Volume 18: M-O
F2861	Volume 19: P
	Volume 20: P-R
F2862	Volume 21: R, M, P, S
	Volume 22: S
F2863	Volume 23: S-T
	Volume 24: T-W
F2864	Volume 25: W
	Volume 26: W-Z

**Records of the Third Regiment, Third Brigade, Third Division, Vermont Militia, 1807-1838**

Microfilm record series PRA 428  
 One reel of microfilm, 35 mm  
 Reel F26180

Content:

This regimental book contains rosters of field and staff for 1810, 1816, 1818 and 1837; a record of warrants, commissions, resignations and elections, 1807-1838; a listing of towns comprising the recruiting district of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Regiment, ca.1820; company rosters of officers, noncommissioned officers and musicians of the 4<sup>th</sup> Company, 1838 and for the Franklin Artillery, 1833; warnings to muster, 1826-1837; and regimental returns, 1810-1812, 1815 and 1822 (includes number of men by rank and number of accoutrements). The record book was begun by Adjutant William C. Ellsworth of Richford in 1807.

Notes: Transferred to Public Records in 1964.

**Records of the Twenty-third Regiment, Second Brigade, Third Division, Vermont Militia, 1839-1844 (bulk)**

Microfilm record series PRA 188  
 One reel of microfilm, 35 mm (originals not held by Public Records)  
 Reel F04309

Content:

This regiment drew its members from Thetford, Norwich, Hartford, Strafford, Sharon and Pomfret. The record book contains regimental returns (usually recorded at annual June Trainings), 1839-1841 and 1843-1844; company returns (also usually recorded at annual June Trainings), 1839-1841, 1843; quartermaster accounts, 1838, 1840-1841; inventories of public property, 1839-1841, 1843; records of organization; both general and special orders; warnings to muster, courts martial and election returns; printed forms; and rosters of officers and noncommissioned officers.

Notes: This record book was filmed and accessioned in 1971.

**Militia Rolls and Returns, ca.1838-1844 (blank form books only)**

Record series PRA 409

Two blank books, not microfilmed

Content:

Two blank volumes representing form-books for militia rolls and returns. One volume is for infantry returns and the other is for artillery returns.

## CIVIL WAR

### State Treasurer's Office, Civil War Bonds, 1861-1862

Microfilm record series PRA 454

One reel of microfilm, 35 mm

Reel F26195

#### Content:

\$1,000.00 bonds, with \$30.00 interest coupons, issued 1 June 1861. These are 10-year bonds. Bond #14 was issued to the Boston Five Cents Savings Bank and is signed by Governor Erastus Fairbanks, Lt. Governor Levi Underwood and State Treasurer J. B. Page. Bond #428 was issued to Arthur W. Blake and is signed by Governor Frederick Holbrook, Lt. Governor Levi Underwood and State Treasurer J. B. Page.

\$500.00 bonds, with \$15.00 interest coupons, issued 1 June 1861. These are 10-year bonds. Bond #62 was issued to the Woodstock Bank and is signed by Governor Erastus Fairbanks, Lt. Governor Levi Underwood and State Treasurer J. B. Page. Bond #275 was issued to Blake Brothers & Co. and is signed by Governor Erastus Fairbanks, Lt. Governor Levi Underwood and State Treasurer J. B. Page. Bond #413 was also issued to Blake Brothers & Co. and is signed by Governor Frederick Holbrook, Lt. Governor Paul Dillingham and State Treasurer J. B. Page.

\$500.00 bonds, with \$15.00 interest coupons, issued 1 December 1862. Bond #609 (14-year bond) was issued to Revere Bank and is signed by Governor Frederick Holbrook, Lt. Governor Paul Dillingham and State Treasurer J. B. Page. Bond #843 (14-year bond) was also issued to Revere Bank and is signed by Governor Frederick Holbrook, Lt. Governor Paul Dillingham and State Treasurer J. B. Page. Bond #1114 (12-year bond) was issued to Suffolk Bank and is signed by Governor J. Gregory Smith, Lt. Governor Paul Dillingham and State Treasurer J. B. Page. Bond #1526 (12-year bond) was issued to the Agricultural College L. S. Fund and is signed by Governor J. Gregory Smith, Lt. Governor Paul Dillingham and State Treasurer J. B. Page. Bond #1674 (16-year bond) was issued to the Bank of Brattleboro and is signed by Governor J. Gregory Smith, Lt. Governor Paul Dillingham and State Treasurer J. B. Page. Bond #1802 (16-year bond) was issued to Suffolk Bank and is signed by Governor J. Gregory Smith, Lt. Governor Paul Dillingham and State Treasurer J. B. Page. Bond #2002 (16-year bond) was issued to the National Bank of Red<sup>n</sup> and is signed by Governor J. Gregory Smith, Lt. Governor Paul Dillingham and State Treasurer J. B. Page.

### State Treasurer's Office, Registry of Civil War Bonds, June 1861

Microfilm record series PRA 435

One reel of microfilm, 35 mm

Reel F26181

#### Content:

Registry of 10-year bonds issued under an Act of the General Assembly from its April session, 1861, for arming, etc., the militia. The volume provides number of bond, date, to whom issued, amount, when paid, record of amount of interest and when paid, and remarks. Contains an accounting of \$1,000.00 bonds, #1-600 and \$500.00 bonds, #1-600. Also includes a sample bond (\$1,000.00) with interest coupons (\$30.00 each).

### State Treasurer's Office, Registry of Civil War Bonds, December 1862

Microfilm record series PRA 436

One reel of microfilm, 35 mm  
Reel F26181

Content:

Registry of bonds issued under an Act of the General Assembly from its October session, 1862, for military expenses. The volume provides number of bond, date, to whom issued, amount, when paid, record of amount of interest and when paid, and remarks. Contains an accounting of \$500.00 bonds of 12-years (#1101-1600), 14-years (#601-1100) and 16-years (#1601-2100).

**State Treasurer's Office, Record of State Pay, 1861**

Microfilm record series PRA 444

One reel of microfilm, 35 mm

Reel F26188

Content:

This ledger contains accounts of state pay (\$7.00 per month) to the 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Regiments as well as for later recruits for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Regiment. Information on 1<sup>st</sup> Regiment, pp. 1-39; pp. 40-250 comprise accounts opened with the original members of the 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Regiments that were subsequently transferred to another ledger (probably Microfilm PRA 445). The volume may provide name, rank, date of enlistment, residence, amount per month and date paid, and notations of death, discharge and/or muster-out.

**State Treasurer's Office, Record of State Pay, 1861-ca.1864**

Microfilm record series PRA 445

One reel of microfilm, 35 mm

Reel F26188

Content:

This ledger contains accounts of state pay (\$7.00 per month) to the 2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Regiments; 1<sup>st</sup> Cavalry Regiment; Companies F, E and H, United States Sharpshooters; and the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Batteries, Light Artillery. The volume may provide name, rank, date of muster-in, record of payments made and remarks (promotion, death, discharge, desertion, transfer, etc.), residence, amount per month and date paid, and notations of death, discharge and/or muster-out. There is an index to the ledger inside the front cover. These accounts were subsequently consolidated and transcribed into Microfilm PRA 449.

**State Treasurer's Office, Record of State Pay, 1861-1866**

Microfilm record series PRA 449

One reel of microfilm, 35 mm

Reel F26190

Content:

These two volumes contain a record of state pay (\$7.00 per month) to Vermont volunteers (noncommissioned officers and staff, musicians and privates), 1861-1866, with some later notations. The ledgers provide name; date of muster-in; date of discharge, desertion, death, etc.; period of service (in months and days); total amount paid and remarks. Remarks might include information pertaining to the forfeit of state pay (substitute status, desertion or dishonorable discharge), allotment arrangements, commutation, overpayment and/or amounts refunded due to overpayment. Ledger A contains accounts for the 1<sup>st</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> Regiments, with a separate list of additions, and Ledger B contains accounts for the 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> Regiments; 1<sup>st</sup> Cavalry Regiment; Companies F, E and H, United States Sharpshooters; 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> Batteries, Light Artillery; two

companies of drafted men (most for the 6<sup>th</sup> Regiment); Frontier Cavalry, Companies M and F; 1<sup>st</sup> Brigade Band; 54<sup>th</sup> Massachusetts Regiment (Colored) and the U.S.C.T.; unassigned recruits (including those who deserted prior to muster) for the 2<sup>nd</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> Regiments, the Cavalry, Sharpshooters, the Vermont Batteries and those not assigned to a particular company or regiment; and miscellaneous African American recruits enlisting in the southern states for the U.S.C.T. (these latter recruits do not appear in Peck's published roster). All of these accounts were consolidated and transcribed from accounts contained in Microfilm PRA 444-448.

Notes: Transferred from the office of the State Treasurer in 1961.

**State Treasurer's Office, Record of State Pay, 1862-ca.1865**

Microfilm record series PRA 446

One reel of microfilm, 35 mm

Reel F26188

Content:

This ledger contains accounts of state pay (\$7.00 per month) to the 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> Regiments and April 1862 recruits for the 2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Regiments. The volume may provide name, rank, date of muster-in, record of payments made and remarks (promotion, death, discharge, desertion, transfer, etc.) residence, amount per month and date paid, and notations of death, discharge and/or muster-out. There is an index to the ledger inside the front cover. These accounts were subsequently consolidated and transcribed into Microfilm PRA 449.

**State Treasurer's Office, Record of State Pay, 1862-ca.1865**

Microfilm record series PRA 447

One reel of microfilm, 35 mm

Reel F26189

Content:

This ledger contains accounts of state pay (\$7.00 per month) to the 10<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> Regiments; September 1862 recruits for the 2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Regiments, Companies F, E and H, United States Sharpshooters; the 1<sup>st</sup> Cavalry Regiment; Brigade Band; Companies L and M, 11<sup>th</sup> Regiment; 2<sup>nd</sup> Battery, Light Artillery; two companies of drafted men; recruits for the 11<sup>th</sup> Regiment; African American recruits who enlisted in southern states; 54<sup>th</sup> Massachusetts Regiment (Colored); and unassigned African American recruits. The volume may provide name, rank, date of muster-in, record of payments made and remarks (promotion, death, discharge, desertion, transfer, etc.) residence, amount per month and date paid, and notations of death, discharge and/or muster-out. There is an index to the ledger inside the front cover. These accounts were subsequently consolidated and transcribed into Microfilm PRA 449.

**State Treasurer's Office, Record of State Pay, 1863-ca.1865**

Microfilm record series PRA 448

One reel of microfilm, 35 mm

Reel F26189

Content:

This ledger contains accounts of state pay (\$7.00 per month) to recruits, reenlisted men and drafted men for the 2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Regiments; 1<sup>st</sup> Cavalry Regiment; Companies F, E and H, United States Sharpshooters; and the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Batteries, Light Artillery. Also contains record of state pay for the newly formed 3<sup>rd</sup> Battery, Light Artillery, the Frontier Cavalry and for unassigned recruits. The volume may provide name, rank, date of muster-in, record of payments made and

remarks (promotion, death, discharge, desertion, transfer, etc.), residence, amount per month and date paid, and notations of death, discharge and/or muster-out. There is an index to the ledger inside the front cover. These accounts were subsequently consolidated and transcribed into Microfilm PRA 449.

**State Treasurer's Office, Allotment Ledgers, 1862-1866**

Microfilm record series PRA 450

One reel of microfilm, 35 mm

Reel F26191

Content:

These two volumes contain accounts of allotments of pay made by Vermont soldiers in military service during the Civil War. The ledgers provide name of soldier, his assignee, the dates of cash received and allotments made along with interest accrued. Notations within accounts may indicate death or discharge. Ledger A contains accounts of men serving in the 2<sup>nd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Regiments, 1<sup>st</sup> Cavalry Regiment (Companies A-K) and Companies F, E and H, United States Sharpshooters. There is an index inside the front cover of the volume as well as the notation that all outstanding accounts as of 11 September 1866 were transferred to pages 454-571 of Ledger B. These latter accounts contain notations of account activity up to the 1880s. Ledger B contains accounts for 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> Regiments; 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> Batteries, Light Artillery; Companies L and M, 1<sup>st</sup> Cavalry Regiment; and one recruit for the 54<sup>th</sup> Massachusetts Regiment (Colored). Ledger B also contains a separate account of arrears of government pay due the 2<sup>nd</sup> Regiment for time served prior to their muster-in. This latter list provides name, residence, time served, amount due and remarks. There is an index to this volume inside the front cover.

**State Treasurer's Office, Expense Ledger, 1862, 1864-1865**

Microfilm record series PRA 452

One reel of microfilm, 35 mm

Reel F26193

Content:

This expense ledger contains brief accounts of costs related to the transportation of soldiers, expenses of military commissioners, recruiting costs, costs of organizing militia, muster and pay expenses of officers, costs of defending the frontier, office expenses and costs of arresting deserters. There is also an account related to the support of Vermont inmates at the American Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb in Hartford, CT. An index of accounts may be found at the front of the volume.

**State Treasurer's Office, Roster of Vermont Volunteers, 1863**

Microfilm record series PRA 440

One reel of microfilm, 35 mm

Reel F26182

Content:

Alphabetical roster of Vermont Civil War soldiers providing name, rank, company, and regiment. The roster was prepared in August 1863.

**Enrolled Militia of Buel's Gore, 1863**

Microfilm record series PRA 437

One reel of microfilm, 35 mm

Reel F26181

Content:

Alphabetical listing of men eligible for military service. Enrollment began 27 January 1863. The names, ages and occupations of only five men are listed.

Notes: Transferred to Public Records by the Chittenden County Clerk in 1958.

**Enrolled Militia of Goshen Gore by Wheelock, 1863**

Microfilm record series PRA 438

One reel of microfilm, 35 mm

Reel F26181

Content:

Alphabetical listing of men eligible for military service. This volume provides name, age, occupation and remarks. Remarks generally describe the nature of exemption, if applicable.

Notes: Transferred to Public Records by the Caledonia County Clerk in 1964.

**Enrolled Militia, Town of Ripton, 1863 and 1867**

Microfilm record series PRA 439

One reel of microfilm, 35 mm

Reel F26181

Content:

Alphabetical listing of men eligible for military service. Contains enrollments for 1863 and 1867. The volume provides name, age, occupation and remarks. Remarks generally describe the nature of exemption, if applicable.

**Office of the Auditor of Accounts, Military Claims, 1861-1864**

Microfilm record series PRA 213

One reel of microfilm, 35 mm

Reel F28280

Content:

This volume includes soldiers' claims for state pay due; claims for medical expenses; claims for transportation, meals, and board provided to soldiers; recruiting expenses; and claims by towns for military expenses.

Notes: Filmed for the Public Records Division. Transferred to Public Records by the Auditor of Accounts in 1974.

**Auditor of Accounts, Report to the General Assembly for the Year Ending 1 September 1862**

Microfilm record series PRA 441

One reel of microfilm, 35 mm

Reel F26181

Content:

Auditor of Account's report to the General Assembly for the year ending 1 September 1862. Contains a summary of expenditures and liquidations (3 pp.) by the Auditor of Accounts, Jephtha Bradley; a detailed classification of the orders of the Auditor of Accounts (4 pp.); State Treasurer

J. B. Page's report of receipts and disbursements, resources and liabilities and statement of tax account (9 pp.); report of Charles W. Bradbury, Inspector of Finance, on the examination of the State Treasurer's accounts and the books and papers held by the Auditor of Accounts (2 pp.); and report of Hiram Harlow, Superintendent of the State Prison, on prison expenditures and income (6 pp.)

Notes: Transferred to Public Records in 1969.

**Office of the Auditor of Accounts [?], Records Relating to Civil War Expense Claims of the State of Vermont against the United States, 1866-1871**

Microfilm record series PRA 457

One reel of microfilm, 16 mm

Reel F26198

Content:

Some of the rules and decisions governing the settlement of the state's war claims with subsequent modifications of the same by decisions of the Second Comptroller, 1866 (26 pp.)

Statement of differences arising upon settlement of the account of the State of Vermont against the United States for expenses incurred in raising volunteers for the field under an Act of Congress approved July 27<sup>th</sup>, 1861 (62 pp.)

List of vouchers and amounts suspended in the office of the Second Comptroller in addition to those suspended by the Third Auditor in the account of the State of Vermont for reimbursement of expenses for troops, etc., to aid in suppressing the insurrection against the general government (22 pp.)

Statement of differences arising on special settlement of the first, second and third installments of the war claim of the State of Vermont, reported Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1868 (132 pp.)

Explanations as to differences arising out of the settlement of first [, second and third] installment[s] of the war claim of the State of Vermont against the United States, 1871 (86 pp.)

Statement of outstanding differences, and of differences arising on settlement of the fourth installment of the war claim of the State of Vermont, as per the abstracts and vouchers filed, May 17<sup>th</sup>, 1867 (22 pp.)

Statement of differences arising on settlement of the sixth, seventh, eighth, ninth, tenth and eleventh installments of the war claim of the State of Vermont, reported June 21, 1869 and returned July 21, 1869 (84 pp.)

Seventh, eighth, ninth, tenth and eleventh installments, a listing of abstracts and vouchers. (44 pp.)

Explanations as to the disallowed and suspended accounts on original settlement of the eighth installment of the war claim of the State of Vermont against the United States, 1871 (48 pp.)

Explanations as to differences arising out of the settlement of the tenth installment of the war claim of the State of Vermont against the United States, 1871 (36 pp.)

Notes: Transferred in 1969.

**Office of the Auditor of Accounts, Records Relating to Civil War Expenses, 1860-1908**

Microfilm record series PRA 458

Five reels of microfilm, 35 mm

Reel F26211-F26215

Content:

Most of the records in this collection pertain to the State of Vermont's military claims for Civil War expenses against the U.S. government. These military claims were submitted in a series of

installments between 1866 and 1873. When received by the U.S. Auditor's office, many of the claims were returned to Vermont with a detailed accounting of and explanation for disallowed claims, some requiring explanation and others requiring further proof of expense (receipts and vouchers). The working notes of and correspondence between those involved in preparing and submitting Vermont's claims are included. This exchange between Vermont and the U.S. government went on for many years. These records provide very detailed (in fact, itemized) information on Vermont's Civil War expenditures, including costs related to defense of the northern frontier following the St. Albans Raid on 19 October 1864.

#### **Accounts of the Quartermaster General**

Receipts of ordnance stores issued to Vermont from New York Arsenal, 1864-1865.

Report of persons employed by the Quartermaster General and the employees' receipt rolls. These men were employed cleaning and repairing guns issued for use by the provisional forces in defense of the frontier, August 1865-February 1866.

Accounts of the Quartermaster General, 1864-1869. Includes abstracts, schedules, vouchers, and, in some cases, subvouchers.

#### **Accounts of the Adjutant and Inspector General**

Telegrams charged to the office of the Adjutant and Inspector General, 15 November 1861-16 August 1865. Content of telegrams included.

Accounts from the office of the Adjutant and Inspector General of Vermont that had not been adjusted or paid by 9 November 1865. Includes invoice, explanation and vouchers.

General and special orders and circulars issued by the office of the Adjutant and Inspector General of Vermont, 1862-1866.

List of Confederate flags captured by Vermont troops and their dates of capture, undated.

#### **Records from the office of the Secretary of State**

Registry of state bonds as recorded at the office of the Secretary of State, 1860-1861.

#### **Other Accounts forwarded to the Auditor of Accounts**

Bills from Civil War medical examiners. Most services were rendered in 1863, and the claims made to the Auditor in 1871. Arranged alphabetically by name of physician.

Soldiers' and/or their heirs' claims for state back pay, ca. 1861-1864.

Statements of amounts expended by Vermont towns in procuring men for U. S. service, with letters from town selectmen, reported March-September 1866.

Other records and accounts arranged by date, 1860-1908.

#### **Receipts**

For state tax on towns, 1863-1866, 1868, 1870, 1877-1879 and 1881.

From towns for Huntington Fund disbursements, 1904.

General receipts, 1864-1867, 1871, 1878-1880, 1882 and 1886.

#### **Orders from the Auditor of Accounts to the State Treasurer**

Auditor's office orders to the State Treasurer to disburse funds, 1848-1850, 1868, 1876 and 1890.

#### **Miscellaneous receipts/orders**

Miscellaneous receipts/orders, undated.

Notes: Transferred from the office of the Auditor of Accounts in 1958.

**Reel#**            **Title**

- F26211      Receipts of ordnance stores
- Report of persons employed by the Quartermaster General
- Accounts of the Quartermaster General, 1864-1865
- F26212      Accounts of the Quartermaster General, 1865-1869
- Telegrams, office of the Adjutant and Inspector General
- Accounts, office of the Adjutant and Inspector General
- Orders and circulars, office of the Adjutant and Inspector General
- F26213      List of Confederate battle flags captured by Vermont troops
- Registry of state bonds, office of the Secretary of State
- Bills from Civil War medical examiners
- Soldiers' and/or their heirs' claims for back pay
- Statements from towns for recruiting expenses
- Other accounts, 1860-1864
- F26214      Other accounts, 1865-1908 and undated
- F26215      Receipts for state tax on towns
- Receipts for Huntington Fund disbursements
- General receipts, 1864-1886
- Auditor's orders to the State Treasurer
- Miscellaneous receipts and orders, undated

**Office of the Auditor of Accounts, Correspondence with the Attorney General, 31 March 1908-12 February 1918.**

Microfilm record series PRA 442  
 Two reels of microfilm, 35 mm  
 Reels F26181-F26182

Content:

Correspondence between the Auditor of Accounts and the Attorney General regarding the interpretation of public statutes, session laws and general laws (revision) in regard to allowable expenses. Some topics include: naturalization, legal expenses/fees/fines, property issues, expenses of indigent veterans, burial or funeral expenses of veterans, railroad expenses, military expenses, liability insurance, educational expenses, liquor licensing, and expenses pertaining to governmental administration (payment of office rent, utilities, clerk hire, etc.). Includes an

alphabetical subject index and numerical indices to the interpretations of public statutes, session laws and general laws (revision), all at the rear of the volume.

Notes: Transferred from the office of the Auditor of Accounts in 1958.

<u>Reel#</u>	<u>Title</u>
F26181	Correspondence, 1908-1917 April
F26182	Correspondence, 1917 May-1918

**Correspondence and Report of John Howe, Jr., Relating to State Aid to Soldiers' Families, 1861-1866**

Microfilm record series PRA 451  
One reel of microfilm, 35 mm  
Reel F26192

Content:

John Howe, Jr., was Vermont's agent for the relief of soldiers' families. His letterpress book contains 111 pages of correspondence with concerned parties making solicitations for or rendering accounts pertaining to the financial needs of soldiers' families. Most of the correspondence with town relief agents explains the provisions of the laws relating to expenditures of state aid. The volume also contains a photocopy (13 pp.) of the published *Report of John Howe, Jr., Relative to State Aid for Soldiers' Families in Vermont, From Oct. 1, 1861 to Sept. 1, 1862* (Montpelier: Freeman Printing, 1862).

Notes: Some of the letters are difficult or impossible to read due to fading. Transferred from the office of the Secretary of State in 1971

**Records of the Quartermaster General, 1857-1867 (bulk)**

Microfilm record series PRA 443  
Five reels of microfilm, 16 mm  
Reels F26183-F26187

Content:

Records and correspondence of Vermont Quartermasters General George Davis and Perley Pitkin, 1857-1867 (bulk). The series also contains the records and correspondence of Perley Pitkin while acting in the capacity of Captain and Assistant Quartermaster, U. S. Army, stationed in Warrenton Junction, VA (October 1862), and in Brandy Station, VA (November 1863). Included in the collection are financial abstracts and vouchers pertaining to purchases, cash expenditures, and articles received, transferred and expended by the Quartermaster General's office, 1864-1867. Also included are miscellaneous receipts, 1865 and 1898. This is a very interesting series documenting expenses incurred in raising, arming, and equipping troops for U.S. service (Civil War) and the Vermont militia (provisional units for state service in defense of the frontier subsequent to the St. Albans Raid and newly formed militia units 1864-1866).

Notes: Transferred from the office of the Adjutant General in 1962.

<u>Reel#</u>	<u>Title</u>
F26183	Correspondence, 1857-1862 June
F26184	Correspondence, 1862 July-1863

- F26185 Correspondence, 1864-1865 June
- F26186 Correspondence, 1865 July-1866  
 Correspondence of P. P. Pitkin, A.Q.M., U. S. Army, 1862-1863  
 Financial records: abstracts and vouchers, 1864
- F26187 Financial records: abstracts and vouchers, 1865-1867  
 Miscellaneous receipts, 1865 and 1898

**Secretary of State's Office, Civil War Soldiers' Powers of Attorney and Survivor Applications to Draw State Pay, 1861-1873 (bulk)**

Microfilm record series PRA 459  
 Eleven reels of microfilm, 16 mm  
 Reels F26200-F26210

**Content:**

This collection contains Civil War soldiers' powers of attorney allowing a designated assignee to draw pay (\$7.00 per month) from the State Treasurer. Also includes applications of surviving relatives of Vermont soldiers to collect arrears of pay due. Many of the applications provide genealogical information. Arranged alphabetically within companies by name of soldier. Units included are: 2<sup>nd</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiments (including the 11<sup>th</sup> Regiment/1<sup>st</sup> Heavy Artillery); 1<sup>st</sup> Brigade Band; 1<sup>st</sup> Cavalry Regiment; Company F, 1<sup>st</sup> United States Sharpshooters; Companies E and H, 2<sup>nd</sup> United States Sharpshooters; 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Batteries, Light Artillery; Companies M and F, Frontier Cavalry; 54<sup>th</sup> Massachusetts (Colored); Miscellaneous African American Recruits; Hancock's First Corps; Unassigned Recruits; Unassigned Recruits deserting prior to service; and unidentified (surnames Brown and White).

Notes: Transferred to Public Records by the Secretary of State in 1963. Ref: No. 6 Public Acts of 1861, Nos. 40-42 Public Acts of 1862, and No. 3 Public Acts of 1863.

<b><u>Reel#</u></b>	<b><u>Title</u></b>
F26200	2 <sup>nd</sup> Regiment -3 <sup>rd</sup> Regiment, Cos. A-E
F26201	3 <sup>rd</sup> Regiment, Cos.F-K-4 <sup>th</sup> Regiment
F26202	5 <sup>th</sup> Regiment-6 <sup>th</sup> Regiment, Cos. A-E
F26203	6 <sup>th</sup> Regiment, Cos. F-K, Brigade Band and 1 <sup>st</sup> Cavalry Regiment, Cos. A-H
F26204	1 <sup>st</sup> Cavalry Regiment, Cos.I-M-7 <sup>th</sup> Regiment
F26205	8 <sup>th</sup> Regiment-9 <sup>th</sup> Regiment, Cos. A-D
F26206	9 <sup>th</sup> Regiment, Cos. E-K-10 <sup>th</sup> Regiment
F26207	11 <sup>th</sup> Regiment/1 <sup>st</sup> Heavy Artillery-12 <sup>th</sup> Regiment, Cos. A-C

- F26208 12<sup>th</sup> Regiment, Cos. D-K, 13<sup>th</sup> Regiment, 14<sup>th</sup> Regiment and 15<sup>th</sup> Regiment, Cos. A-F
- F26209 15<sup>th</sup> Regiment, Cos. G-K, 16<sup>th</sup> Regiment, 17<sup>th</sup> Regiment, Co. F, 1<sup>st</sup> U.S.S.S., Co. E, 2<sup>nd</sup> U.S.S.S., and Co. H, 2<sup>nd</sup> U.S.S.S.
- F26210 1<sup>st</sup> Light Battery, 2<sup>nd</sup> Light Battery, 3<sup>rd</sup> Light Battery, Co. M, Frontier Cavalry, Co. F, Frontier Cavalry, 54<sup>th</sup> Massachusetts Regiment (Colored), miscellaneous African-American recruits, Hancock's 1<sup>st</sup> Corps, unassigned recruits, unassigned recruits (deserters) and unidentified (surnames Brown and White)

**Office of the Adjutant and Inspector General, Portraits of Vermont Adjutants General, 1822-1967**

Microfilm record series PRA 456  
 One reel of microfilm, 35 mm  
 Reel F26197

Content:

Contains photographs and portraits (as well as Photostat copies) of Vermont's Adjutants General, 1822-1967. Collection includes: Daniel Kellogg, Rockingham, 1822-1824; Isaac Fletcher, Lyndon, 1824-1825; Frederic W. Hopkins, Rutland, 1837-1852; Lewis S. Partridge, Norwich, 1853-1854; George Bradley Kellogg, Brattleboro, 1854-1859; H. Henry Baxter, Rutland, 1859-1861; Peter T. Washburn, Woodstock, 1861-1866; William Wells, Burlington, 1866-1872; James S. Peck, Montpelier, 1872-1881; Theodore S. Peck, Burlington, 1881-1900; William S. Gilmore, Fairlee, 1900-1910; Lee S. Tillotson, St. Albans, 1910-1917; Herbert T. Johnson, Bradford, 1917-1941; Murdock A. Campbell, Northfield, 1941-1955; Francis W. Billado, Burlington, 1955-13 September 1966; and Reginald M. Cram, South Burlington, 14 September-4 December 1966 (acting) and 1 March 1967- 1981.

Notes: Transferred from the office of the Adjutant General in 1969.

**Office of the Adjutant and Inspector General, Photographs, 1863-1944**

Microfilm record series PRA 455  
 One reel of microfilm, 35 mm  
 Reel F26196

Content:

Photograph, Colonel Edward H. Ripley (9<sup>th</sup> Regiment, Vermont Volunteer Infantry), Yorktown, VA, August 1863  
 Photograph, officers, Vermont Home Guard, Northfield, VT, July 1917 (officers names listed)  
 Photograph, U. S. prisoners of war, 20 April 1918  
 Photograph, General Foch, Brattleboro, VT, 13 December 1921  
 Photograph, Company E, Vermont State Guard, 30 May 1942  
 Photograph, Company E, Vermont State Guard, 31 May 1943. Photograph by Sgt. Roy W. Turner, endorsed to Captain Osmer.  
 Photograph, Company G, First Battalion, Vermont State Guard (photographer: Gove, 1944)

Notes: Transferred from the Adjutant General's office in 1969.

**Office of the Adjutant and Inspector General, Published Reports and Orders, 1863-1948**

Record series PRA 433

Published material, not microfilmed

Content:

*Report of the Adjutant & Inspector General of the State of Vermont, from November 1, 1862, to October 1, 1863* (Montpelier: Walton's Steam Printing Establishment, 1863) 106 pp.

*Report of the Quarter-Master General of the State of Vermont, for the year ending October 1, 1863* (Montpelier: Freeman Printing Establishment, 1863) 56 pp.

*Annual Report of the Quarter-Master General of the State of Vermont, for the year ending September 5, 1864* (Montpelier: Freeman Steam Printing Establishment, 1864) 38 pp.

*General Order No. 5: Regulations for Completion of Organization of Companies of Militia and for Draft* (Montpelier: Walton's Steam Press, 1864) 15 pp.

*General Order No. 12: Rules and Regulations for the Cavalry and Light Artillery of the Organized Militia* (Montpelier: Walton's Steam Printing Establishment, 1865) 14 pp.

*Report of the Adjutant & Inspector General of the State of Vermont for 1868* (Montpelier: Polands' Steam Printing Establishment, 1868) 35 pp.

*Annual Report of the Adjutant and Inspector General of the State of Vermont for 1869* (Montpelier: Freeman Steam Printing House and Bindery, 1869) 60 pp.

*Annual Report of the Adjutant and Inspector General of the State of Vermont for 1870* (Montpelier: Freeman Printing House and Bindery, 1870) 15 pp.

*Biennial Report of the Adjutant and Inspector General of the State of Vermont, October 1874* (Montpelier: Freeman Steam Printing House and Bindery, 1874) 49 pp.

*Biennial Report of the Adjutant and Inspector General of the State of Vermont, for the two years ending July 31, 1876* (Rutland: Tuttle & Company, 1876) 24 pp.

*Report of the Adjutant and Inspector General for 1887-88* (Rutland: The Tuttle Company, 1888) 40 pp.

*Report of the Adjutant and Inspector General for 1891-92* (Rutland: The Tuttle Company, 1892) 48 pp.

*Report of the Adjutant and Inspector General for 1893-94* (Rutland: The Tuttle Company, 1894) 68 pp.

*Report of the Adjutant and Inspector General for 1895-96* (Rutland: The Tuttle Company, 1896) 63 pp.

*Biennial Report of the Adjutant, Inspector and Quartermaster General of the State of Vermont for two years ending June 30, 1916* (Rutland: The Tuttle Company, 1916) 18 pp.

*Biennial Report of the Adjutant, Inspector and Quartermaster General of the State of Vermont for the two years ending June 30, 1924* (Rutland: The Tuttle Company, 1924) 23 pp.

*Biennial Report of the Adjutant, Inspector and Quartermaster General of the State of Vermont for the two years ending June 30, 1948* (Burlington: Free Press Printing Co., [1948]) 80 pp.

Notes: Transferred from the Adjutant General's office in 1969.

**Office of the Adjutant and Inspector General, Page Proofs for Annual Report, 1866**

Microfilm record series PRA 453

One reel of microfilm, 35 mm

Reel F26194

Content:

Page proofs (106 pp.) for the *Report of the Adjutant and Inspector General of the State of Vermont, from Oct. 1, 1865, to Oct. 1, 1866* (Montpelier: Walton's Steam Printing Establishment, 1866). Includes partial page proofs for Appendix B, Part I: roster of commissioned officers (of Civil War Vermont volunteer military units); Appendix B, Part II: alphabetical index to roster of commissioned officers; Appendix B, Part III: roster of Vermont volunteers mustered-out of U.S.

service between 1 October 1865 and 1 October 1866 (mainly the 7<sup>th</sup> Regiment); Appendix F: roster of militia officers (103 pp.); and miscellaneous corrections to the report and other records pertaining to its publication (3 pp.).

Notes: Transferred in 1988. Collection appears to have sustained water (perhaps flood) damage.

### **Civil War Pensioners as of 1 January 1883**

Record series PRA 429

Published documents, not microfilmed

#### Content:

*List of pensioners on the roll, January 1, 1883; giving the name of each pensioner, the cause for which pensioned, the post-office address, the rate of pension per month, and the date of original allowance, as called for by Senate Resolution of December 8, 1882* (Washington: Government Printing Office, 1883).

States represented include Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Dakota, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Indiana, Indian Territory, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin and Wyoming. These twenty-three booklets are organized alphabetically by county, then by post office. Each provides number of pension certificate, name of pensioner, post office address, cause for which pensioned, monthly rate and date of original allowance.

Notes: Transferred in 1969.

### **Military Publications, 1863-1892**

Record series PRA 432

Published material, not microfilmed

#### Content:

*Register of Commissioned Officers of the Vermont Volunteers in the Service of the United States* (Montpelier: Walton's Steam Press, [1863]). Published by the Adjutant and Inspector General's office, Woodstock, VT, 1 June 1863. 37 pp. This publication contains an alphabetical listing of officers and also lists casualties and resignations by regiment.

*Report of the Adjutant & Inspector General of the State of Vermont, from November 1, 1862, to October 1, 1863* (Montpelier: Walton's Steam Printing Establishment, 1863). 106 pp.

*Official Army Register for 1864*. Published by the Adjutant General's Office, Washington, DC, 1 January 1864, by order of the Secretary of War, in compliance with the Resolution of the Senate of December 13, 1815, and Resolutions of the House of Representatives dated February 1, 1830, and August 30, 1842. 154 pp.

General Order No. 10, State of Vermont, Adjutant & Inspector General's Office, Woodstock, VT, 30 July 1864. Order pertains to raising 5,156 Vermonters for U. S. service under President Lincoln's 18 July 1864 call for 500,000 men. 2 pp.

*Report of the Adjutant & Inspector General of the State of Vermont, from October 1, 1863, to October 1, 1864* (Montpelier: Walton's Steam Press, 1864)

*An Act Organizing the Militia, approved Nov. 22, 1864* (Montpelier: Walton's Steam Press, 1864) 20 pp.

*General Order No. 5, Regulations for Completion of Organization of Companies of Militia and for Draft* (Montpelier: Walton's Steam Press, 1864) 15 pp.

*General Order No. 8, Rules and Regulations for the Enrolment of the Militia and the Government of the Organized Militia* (Montpelier: Walton's Steam Press, 1865) 73 pp.

*General Order No. 12, Rules and Regulations for the Cavalry and Light Artillery of the Organized Militia* (Montpelier: Walton's Steam Printing Establishment, 1865) 14 pp.

*Report of the Adjutant & Inspector General of the State of Vermont, from Oct. 1, 1864, to Oct. 1, 1865* (Montpelier: Walton's Steam Printing Establishment, 1865)

*Annual Report of the Surgeon General of the State of Vermont to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, October 6<sup>th</sup>, 1865* (Burlington: Free Press Print, 1865) 40 pp.

*Report of the Quarter-Master General of the State of Vermont, October 1, 1866* (Montpelier: Freeman Steam Printing Establishment, 1866) 77 pp.

*Report of the Adjutant & Inspector General of the State of Vermont, from Oct. 1, 1865, to Oct. 1, 1866* (Montpelier: Walton's Steam Printing Establishment, 1866)

*Tabular statement showing the amount due from the State of Vermont to soldiers in the late war for the suppression of the rebellion, March 20, 1873* (Montpelier: Freeman Steam Printing House and Bindery, 1873) 140 pp. "To be kept by town and county clerks to be referred to by any person." This publication is organized by regiment.

*The Service of Vermont Troops, an Oration before the Re-Union Society of Vermont Officers, in the Representatives' Hall, Montpelier, VT, November 2, 1882, by Lieut. Geo. Grenville Benedict* (Montpelier: Watchman and Journal Press, 1882) 31 pp.

*Revised Roster of Vermont Volunteers and Lists of Vermonters who served in the Army and Navy of the United States during the War of the Rebellion, 1861-1866.* Compiled by authority of the General Assembly under direction of Theodore S. Peck, Adjutant General (Montpelier: Press of the Watchman Publishing Company, 1892) 863 pp.

Notes: Transferred in 1972.

### **Publications of Various State Agencies (bulk), 1836-1921**

Record series PRA 434

Published material, not microfilmed

Content:

#### **Military material**

*Annual Report of the Surgeon General of the State of Vermont to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, October 6<sup>th</sup>, 1865* (Burlington: Free Press Print, 1865) 40 pp.

*Tabular statement showing the amount due from the State of Vermont to soldiers in the late war for the suppression of the rebellion, March 20, 1873* (Montpelier: Freeman Steam Printing House and Bindery, 1873) 140 pp. "To be kept by town and county clerks to be referred to by any person." This publication is organized by regiment.

#### **Other material**

*Journal of the Convention holden at Montpelier, on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of January A.D. 1836, agreeable to the Ordinance of the Council of Censors, made on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1835, together with the Amendments of the Constitution, as adopted by the Convention, and the whole of the Constitution of the State of Vermont as now in force, 1836*

Journal of the Senate of Vermont, 1836.

Circular of the Vermont Superintendent of Common Schools to county superintendents and an address to teachers of common schools, 1845.

Annual report on the geology of Vermont, 1845.

Annual reports of Vermont Superintendents of Common Schools/Education, 1846-1878.

Journals of the Council of Censors, 1848-1849 and 1855-1856.  
*Catalogue of the principal officers of Vermont, as connected with its political history, from 1778 to 1851, with some biographical notices, &c.* by Leonard Deming, 1951.  
 Abstract of the seventh (national) census, published in 1853.  
 Report of the Bank Commissioners of Vermont for 1855.  
*Journal of the proceedings of the Constitutional Convention, assembled at Montpelier, on the first Wednesday of January 1857.*  
 Report of the Superintendent of the construction of the State House, 15 October 1857.  
 Annual reports of the Secretary of the Vermont Board of Education, 1857-1858.  
 Reports regarding the registration of births, marriages and deaths in Vermont, 1857 and 1858.  
 Instructions regarding the registry and returns of births, marriages and deaths in Vermont, 1859.  
*Vermont School Journal and Family Visitor*, October 1859.  
 Annual reports to the governor on the Vermont Reform School, 1865-1866 and 1866-1867.  
 Annual reports of the University of Vermont and State Agricultural College, 1866 and 1867.  
 Report of the Fish Commissioners of Vermont for 1867.  
 Annual reports of the Insurance Commissioners of the State of Vermont, 1869 and 1870.  
 Annual report of the Vermont State Board of Agriculture, Manufactures and Mining for 1872.  
 Transactions of the Vermont Dairymen's Association for the year ending 27 October 1875.  
 Compilation of the grand list laws of Vermont, 1875.  
 Report of the Railroad Commissioners of Vermont for 1875-1876.  
 Report of the Interstate Commerce Commission of Vermont, 1 December 1887.  
 Report of the State Agricultural Experiment Station, 1887.  
 Annual reports of the State Board of Health, 1887 and 1888.  
 Reports of the Board of Library Commissioners, 1895-1896 and 1897-1898.  
 Report of the Vermont Cattle Commission, 1 July 1904-1 July 1906.  
 Map of Bunker Hill Burying Ground, Pomfret, VT, ca. 1913.  
 Special report of the Vermont Water Resource Commission, 1921.

Notes: Transferred in 1970.

**Records of the Vermont Civil War Centennial Committee, 1957-1965**

Microfilm record series PRA 461  
 Ten reels of microfilm, 35 mm  
 Reel F26220-F26229

Content:

The Vermont Civil War Centennial Committee was inaugurated by Governor Johnson in the autumn of 1958 (appropriation established by Law No. 163 in the 45<sup>th</sup> Biennial Session, 1959). Responsibilities included planning Vermont's participation in centennial observances and coordinating plans with the programs of the National Commission. The first meeting of the Committee was held in December of 1958. The Committee ceased operations on 30 June 1965. Dr. Richard G. Wood, Director of the Vermont Historical Society, was appointed Chairman of the Vermont Committee as well as a member of the National Advisory Council. On the national level, the first executive director of the U. S. Civil War Centennial Commission was Karl S. Betts, with Major General Ulysses S. Grant III as its chairman. Officers of the national commission changed throughout its existence. James I. Robertson also served as executive director. The Vermont Civil War Centennial Committee produced one publication only, a short bibliography published in March 1961. In 1961, The Vermont Committee purchased from its funds the "Vermont at Gettysburg" painting by John D. Whiting (of New Haven, CT), depicting the 13<sup>th</sup> Vermont Volunteers. The painting was purchased for the State and was hung in the reception room of the State House in Montpelier.

### **Records of the National Civil War Centennial Commission (Washington, DC)**

Correspondence with officers of and bulletins issued by the U.S. Commission, 1957-1965.

Records of U.S. Commission meetings, including agendas, programs, meeting reports, copies of speeches, etc., 1957-1965.

Records of national assemblies and of joint meetings between state and national Commissions, 1958-1965.

Press releases of the U.S. Civil War Centennial Commission, 1958-1963.

Monthly newsletter of the U.S. Commission, *100 Years After*, 1958-1965.

Other publications of the U.S. Civil War Centennial Commission, 1958-1964.

### **Records of the New England Civil War Centennial (Regional) Commission**

Records of New England regional conferences, including correspondence, conference agendas, programs, meeting reports, copies of speeches, etc., 1959-1964.

Records of the New England Civil War Centennial (Regional) Conference held in Montpelier on 7 July 1862, sponsored by the Vermont Civil War Centennial Committee. Included are two audio recordings: 1) Dr. Albert B. Corey, a New York historian, "How the Local Historical Society can Commemorate the Civil War," and 2) Dr. Corey's talk continued, and the first part of a talk given by Professor Lewis D. Stilwell, Professor Emeritus at Dartmouth College, "A Typical New England Regiment: the War Experiences of the 'Fighting Fifth.'"

### **Records of the Vermont Civil War Centennial Committee**

General correspondence, primarily with members of state, county or local committees, also includes programs, etc., regarding various state commemorations and events, 1957-1965.

Correspondence regarding requests for information on state centennial activities or on Vermont's role in the Civil War or for state centennial publications, 1959-1965.

Correspondence regarding the microfilming program of the Vermont Committee, 1959-1965.

Negative Photostat or thermofax documents: letter of Captain Samuel E. Burnham, Company E, 5<sup>th</sup> Vermont Volunteers, 21 July 1862, camp near James River, as published in the *Rutland Herald*, with letter of 16 October 1959; documents relating to Captain Wesley W. Connor, Company E, 25<sup>th</sup> New York Volunteers (resigned 31 January 1863), and his brother Servetus E. Conner, Company E, 16<sup>th</sup> Vermont Volunteers, both of Bennington, with letter of 16 January 1961; photograph of Captain George B. Conger of St. Albans, Company B, 1<sup>st</sup> Vermont Cavalry, with letter of 26 June 1963; and items related to the St. Albans Raid, including photographs and broadsides, with letter of 28 July 1964. Also includes two items relating to the Battle of Cedar Creek: 1) positions of the 8<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> Vermont Regiments, and 2) "List of some of the men in the picture of Cedar Creek," possibly duplicated for ceremonies to rededicate the painting of Cedar Creek at the State House in 1964. These items are filed at the end of the correspondence series relating to the microfilming program of the VCWCC. There are also thermofax copies of two letters: 1) A. B. Jewett, Company A, 1<sup>st</sup> Vermont Volunteers, to Bradford Scott of Swanton, 21 May 1861, and 2) William Patwin, 115<sup>th</sup> New York Volunteers, to Edward Wade of Swanton Falls regarding Patwin's mother in North Duxbury, 1 May 1865. These two letters may also be found at the end of the correspondence series relating to the microfilming program of the VCWCC.

Records of the State Committee's microfilming program, including microfilm, Photostat and mimeograph requisitions, lists of microfilm produced and the microfilm targets used in filming, 1959-1965.

Correspondence with and publications of other state commissions, 1958-1965.

Meeting agendas and minutes, 1958-1964, including an audio recording of a talk given by Professor Lewis D. Stilwell on the Battle of Antietam at the meeting of 15 September 1962 and an audio recording containing both the talk given by Dr. Roland C. McConnell at the

commemoration of the Emancipation Proclamation on 16 January 1963 and of the ceremonies to rededicate the Cedar Creek painting in the State House on 19 October 1964.

Press releases and news clippings, 1958-1965.

Financial records, 1959-1965.

Miscellaneous materials including: extra brochures or souvenirs pertaining to Vermont's centennial events; extra copies of the VCWCC's "Select Bibliography of the Civil War, 1861-1865;" listings of battles in which Vermonters participated, of Vermont Civil War regiments, of Vermont generals in the Civil War; and other material.

Vendor files, including advertisements, promotional materials, souvenirs, publications, etc., all relating to the Civil War centennial.

Other centennial publications, including the Department of the Navy's *Civil War Naval Chronology, 1861-1865* (with correspondence pertaining to this publication, 1960-1965), and an 33-rpm record album, *Walt Disney Presents Great Moments with Mr. Lincoln*, among other miscellaneous publications.

Notes: Transferred from the Vermont Civil War Centennial Committee in 1966.

<u>Reel#</u>	<u>Title</u>
F26220	National CWCC, correspondence
	National CWCC, records of meetings
	National CWCC, records of national assemblies
	National CWCC, press releases
	National CWCC, monthly newsletter, 1958-1963
F26221	National CWCC, monthly newsletter, 1964-1965
	National CWCC, other publications
	Records of the New England (Regional) CWCC
	VCWCC, general correspondence, 1957-1960 June
F26222	VCWCC, general correspondence, 1960 July-1965
F26223	VCWCC, requests for information, 1959-1965
	VCWCC, correspondence re: the microfilming program, 1959-1965
	VCWCC, negative Photostat or thermofax documents
F26224	VCWCC, records of the microfilming program
	VCWCC, correspondence with and publications of other states, Alabama-Louisiana (continued next reel)

- F26225 VCWCC, correspondence with and publications of other states, Louisiana (continued)-New Jersey (continued next reel)
- F26226 VCWCC, correspondence with and publications of other states, New Jersey (continued)-South Carolina (continued next reel)
- F26227 VCWCC, correspondence with and publications of other states, South Carolina (continued)-Wisconsin
- VCWCC, meeting agendas and minutes
- VCWCC, press releases and news clippings
- VCWCC, financial records, 1959
- F26228 VCWCC, financial records, 1960-1965
- VCWCC, miscellaneous materials
- Vendor files, A-O
- F26229 Vendor files, P-Z
- Other centennial publications

**Records of the Vermont Civil War Centennial Committee, Microfilm Collections, Civil War Era**

Microfilm record series PRA 356  
 Six reels of microfilm, 35 mm (originals in private collections)  
 Reels F2845-F2850

**Content:**

The contents of these films represent Civil War letters, diaries and other papers in the hands of private owners. During the Civil War Centennial, 1961-1965, these individuals generously allowed the Public Records Division to microfilm their collections for the benefit of researchers.

<b><u>Reel#</u></b>	<b><u>Title</u></b>
F2845	Letters of Charles W. Baker, Company C, 4 <sup>th</sup> Iowa Infantry, to his uncle and cousins in Thetford, VT, January 1859-October 1863
	Letters of Alfred H. Batchelder, Companies G and I, 9 <sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry, to his mother, 1863-1865
	Supplement to the letters of Alfred H. Batchelder (previous), February 1863-November 1864, and his discharge certificate
	Bliss-Marsh Papers, 1861-1865, including the letters of Warren Earl Bliss, Company G, 4 <sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry, to his family, 1861-1864, followed by letters to his friends, 1861-1862

Letters of Edwin R. Brush, Assistant Surgeon, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vermont Infantry, mainly to his wife Amy, September 1863-December 1865

Letters of George and Samuel N. Fitch, Company C, 6<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry, to their family, 1861-1864

Letters of Hiram Hodgkins, Company K, 13<sup>th</sup> Massachusetts Infantry, and Ephraim Giddings, 3<sup>rd</sup> Wisconsin Infantry, 1861-1864

Bliss-Marsh Papers, 1861-1865. Letters of William Henry Harrison Marsh, Company G, 4<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry, to his stepmother and sister, 1861-1864

Morse Family letters, 1862 and 1864-1865. Includes letters by, to or about Benjamin F. Morse and Benjamin F. Morse II, Company E, 8<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry

Letters of Arza P. Noyes, Company H, 1<sup>st</sup> Vermont Cavalry, to his sister Mary, 1861-1862 and 1864

Letters of Darius D. Priest, Company I, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vermont Infantry, to his father, 1861-1865, and his hospital diary, 28 April-20 May 1863

Letters of Horatio N. Roberts, Company K, 15<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry, 1862-1863

Letters of Marshall St. Germain, Company B, 1<sup>st</sup> Vermont Cavalry, to "Friend Willy," (W. S. Soule) 1862-1863

Letters of Thomas Ralph, Company A, 1<sup>st</sup> Vermont Cavalry, 1860-1864 (scattered dates)

Letters of William Harrison Turner, Company H, 15<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry, 1862-1863

F2846 Papers of Page Ufford, Company K, 11<sup>th</sup> Vermont Regiment/1<sup>st</sup> Heavy Artillery, 1860-1865 (scattered dates)

Watts-Cheney letters, 1864-1865. Contains letters by William J. Cheney, Company D, 11<sup>th</sup> Regiment/1<sup>st</sup> Heavy Artillery; Chandler Watts, Company E, 11<sup>th</sup> Regiment/1<sup>st</sup> Heavy Artillery; and Edwin R. and George A. Cheney, Company B, 4<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry

Letters of William E. Woods, Company E, 13<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry, and Companies D, F and M, 1<sup>st</sup> Vermont Cavalry, 1862-1865

Miscellaneous Army and Navy Letters, 1860-1865. Most of the letters were written to George H. Caswell of Milton

Morning reports, Company I, 9<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry, July 1862-May 1863

"The Third Vermont Company of United States Sharpshooters: A History by Curtis Abbott," Company H, 2<sup>nd</sup> United States Sharpshooters.

“Jimmie Evans’s Camp-Fire, or 15 Months in Rebel Prisons,” 1863-1864. Evans served in the 41<sup>st</sup> Ohio Infantry.

Memoirs of N. P. Perkins, 5<sup>th</sup> Maine Battery

“A Sketch,” by Darwin E. Washburn, Company H, 7<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry, 1864-1865

F2847 Papers of Valentine G. Barney and Elisha Barney, 1861-1876. Includes letters of Valentine G. Barney, Company A, 1<sup>st</sup> Vermont Infantry, and Company A, 9<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry; and Lt. Colonel, 9<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry, to his wife Maria, May 1861-June 1865. Also includes the diary of Elisha Barney, Company K, 6<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry, and Colonel, 6<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry, 1 January 1862-19 April 1864.

F2848 Correspondence of Albert F. Dodge and family, 1861-1865 (bulk). Dodge served in Company B, 10<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry and Company F, 39<sup>th</sup> U.S.C.T. Also includes letters from James T. Bacon, Company F, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vermont Infantry, to his sister, Laura Dodge, 1861-July 1864

F2849 Diary of William C. Bacon (civilian in Putney), 1 May 1861-5 June 1870, with some earlier notations

Diary of Warren Earl Bliss, Company G, 4<sup>th</sup> Vermont Volunteers, January-June 1863

Diaries of Edward Bushnell, Company E, 10<sup>th</sup> Vermont Volunteers, 1864 and 1865

Diary of John P. Harwood, Company A, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vermont Volunteers, 31 May-29 June 1862

Commonplace book of Charles Chamberlin (civilian in Craftsbury), ca.1848-1862

Journal of Albert B. Chandler, 1863. Chandler worked as a cipher clerk in the War Department Telegraph Office, Washington, DC

Diary of Mrs. George Cooke (civilian in Corinth), 25 December 1862-1864

Diary of Charles Chandler Cowles, Company I, 1<sup>st</sup> Vermont Cavalry, 1864

Diary of William Cunningham, Company D, 4<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry, March 1862-February 1863

Journals of the Hon. James Davis (b.1783) of St. Albans, 27 January 1862-9 July 1865 (4 volumes)

F2850 Diaries of Albert F. Dodge, 10<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry and 39<sup>th</sup> U.S.C.T., 1862-1863, and 1865.

Diary of William C. Holman, Company G, 9<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry, 1 January 1865-1 January 1866

Diaries and scrapbook of John J. Monahan, Company F, 1<sup>st</sup> United States Sharpshooters

Papers and diaries of James Pollard, Company A, 93<sup>rd</sup> New York Infantry, and Company G, 17<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry, 1859-1865

Diaries of Elbridge W. Prior, Company I, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vermont Infantry, 1862-1864

**The Civil War Letters of Edgar Pitkin, 1861-1865**

Microfilm record series PRA 462

One reel of microfilm, 35 mm (originals in private collection)

Reel F4986

Content:

Civil War letters of Edgar Pitkin of Winchendon, MA, and Burlington, VT, from his enlistment in 1861 to his death 19 February 1865. Also contains newspaper clippings (obituaries, etc.) and correspondence of other members of the Pitkin family, including pre-war letters from Edgar Pitkin. The family correspondence begins in 1855 and extends to about 1865. Some of the Pitkin family resided in Winchendon, MA. This is a very rich collection of letters from an interesting, articulate and affectionate family.

Edgar Pitkin enlisted on 2 May 1861 and was mustered-in as sergeant, Company H, 1<sup>st</sup> Vermont Volunteers, on 9 May 1861. He was mustered-out of this three-month unit on 15 August 1861. Pitkin was appointed Adjutant, 1<sup>st</sup> Vermont Cavalry, on 11 September 1861. He was mustered-out on 10 September 1862. Following his muster-out, Edgar Pitkin accepted a clerkship in the Register's Office of the Treasury Department. In April of 1864, he enlisted as a private in the 1<sup>st</sup> U. S. Cavalry and rose to the rank of sergeant before his death on 19 February 1865 at Camp Remount, MD.

Some attempt was made at a chronological arrangement, but the letters are quite out of order.

Notes: This is a restricted collection and is not to be reproduced without the permission of the owner of the originals, Edgar Pitkin Wyman, North Sandwich, NH, or Dorothy Wyman Kirk of Rutland, VT. The collection was microfilmed in 1974.

**Union Soldiers Buried at Andersonville, 1864-1865**

Microfilm record series PRA 286

One reel of microfilm, 35 mm (original not owned by Public Records)

Reel F9247

Content:

From *A List of Union Soldiers Buried at Andersonville, Copied from the Official Record in the Surgeon's Office at Andersonville* by Dorence Atwater (New York: Tribune Association, 1890). Contains a report by Clara Barton. Listing provides the name of soldier, grave number, soldier's company and regiment, date of death and cause of death. Organized alphabetically by state, then by name of soldier. In addition to listings by state, there are listings for the U. S. Army, the U. S. Navy as well as listings of the grave numbers of unknown soldiers. Vermont listings are on pp. 64-65.

Notes: Transferred to Public Records in 1987

## VERMONT NATIONAL GUARD

### Vermont National Guard, First Regiment, Record of Rifle Practice, 1890-1902

Microfilm record series PRA 426

One reel of microfilm, 35 mm

Reel F26199

#### Content:

This volume contains records of rifle practices from 1890-1894. Typically each company was represented by a team of five shooters (whose names, ranks and companies are recorded). The team with the highest combined score won first place and individuals with the three highest scores received first, second and third places. These competitions seem to have involved twenty-five shots per contestant at 200 yards. The names, locations and dates of the competition are recorded (i.e. Washington Centennial Trophy in 1890) and each competition is certified by an officer. The volume also contains marksmanship awards, 1890-1891, in which contestants were scored at 200, 300, 500 and 600 yards, resulting in various classifications: first class marksman, second class marksman, third class marksman, marksman, sharpshooter and expert. Remarks generally include the date the award was issued and the date when requalification would be required. Revolver qualifications were also held in 1901 at twenty-five to fifty yards. Finally, this volume records requisitions for ordnance stores, 1895-1902. The following indices may be found at the beginning of the volume: index to ordnance requisitions (Companies A-F, I-M); index to second class marksmen, 1891-1895; index to first class marksmen, 1890 and 1892; index to marksmen, 1890; index to sharpshooters, 1890, 1892-1895; and index to trophy contests, 1890-1895

Notes: Transferred 14 November 1967 from the Adjutant General's office.

### Vermont National Guard, Company H, Vermont State Guard, 1942-1944

Record series PRA 282

Filmstrip and VHS videocassette, not microfilmed

#### Content:

From information filed with filmstrip: "This film was made up of scenes taken with Vermont Department of Agriculture equipment depicting activities of the Vermont State Guard. Company H of Montpelier, of which the then Deputy Commissioner of Agriculture, R. S. Going, was first Captain, naturally figures largely in the shots. A large part of the filming was done by H. L. Bailey with several of the later shots having been taken by Mr. Going and by George Eaton. Two scenic shots without direct application to the Guard were included for decorative purposes, though one -- that showing the red sky -- is remindful of the all-year-round daylight saving rule which prevailed during part of the war period. This sunrise scene was taken from an east window of the Old State Office Building on a winter morning after office opening. The mountain scene was of the White Mountains in New Hampshire from Lunenburg Heights in Vermont, showing also the wide bend of the Connecticut River. In the sesquicentennial parade special attempt was made to show Company H both approaching and leaving the State House grounds. The tactical area shown with mapping operations going on was north of the Wrightsville Dam where the Company frequently carried on Sunday maneuvers. The airport scenes were at the Barre-Montpelier field. Titles give a key to most of the scenes." Also depicted in the film are the Tunbridge encampment of the Vermont Home Guard in July of 1944; four members of Company H leaving for induction into federal service; and British Ambassador Lord Halifax's visit to Vermont as part of a war bond drive. Company training and/or maneuvers include compass

training, camouflage/concealment training, close-order drill, attack/defense training and gas mask training. Color, ca.1,000 feet, 31 minutes.

Notes: Transferred from the Department of Agriculture in 1962. Filmstrip formatted to VHS (color, ca.31 minutes) by Vermont Public Television in 2001.

**Vermont National Guard, Personnel Records for Officers of the Vermont State Guard, World War II-era (bulk)**

Microfilm record series PRA 427

Three reels of microfilm, 35 mm

Reels F26177-F26179

Content:

Personnel files and index cards containing information on officers that served in the Vermont State Guard during World War II. Personnel files may contain applications for commissions as a State Guard officer, resignations, correspondence, certificates of commission, oaths of office, service records, physical examination forms and special orders pertaining to newly commissioned officers, assignments, promotions, resignations, etc. Both the index cards and the personnel files may contain officer's name, date and place of birth, rank and service history, address, employment record, marital status and number of dependents (including names of wife and/or dependents), educational history, etc. Both files and cards are arranged alphabetically.

Notes: Transferred from the office of the Adjutant General in 1966.

<b><u>Reel#</u></b>	<b><u>Title</u></b>
F26177	Index cards and personnel files, A-Cootey
F26178	Personnel files, Copps-Loiselle
F26179	Personnel files, Longmoore-Z

**Public Records Commission, Photo Cuts, 1945-1956**

Record series PRA 385

Photo cuts, not microfilmed

Content:

Photo cuts taken in the aftermath of the fire at the arsenal in Montpelier in 1945. These cuts were published in *Public Records of the State of Vermont, 1945-1946: Biennial Report of the Public Records Commission to the General Assembly of the State of Vermont*.

Photo cut of the proposed records and library annex. This proposed addition to the Supreme Court building in Montpelier, VT, was to house the Vermont Historical Society, the Public Records office and State Library stacks. The cut was published in several editions of the Public Records Commission's *Biennial Reports* (1945-1946, 1951-1952 and 1953-1954).

Photo cut of "The Archivist's Code," published in the 1955-1956 *Biennial Report of the Public Records Commission*.

## SPANISH-AMERICAN WAR

### State Treasurer's Office, Payroll of Vermont Volunteers in the War with Spain, 1898-1902

Microfilm record series PRA 423

One reel of microfilm, 35 mm

Reel F26171

#### Content:

This volume records allotments of \$7.00 per month extra state pay to soldiers of the Spanish American War. Includes information on Companies A-M (non-commissioned officers and privates), noncommissioned staff, and Hospital Corps, 1<sup>st</sup> Regiment Vermont Volunteers. Also contains a record of state pay to Vermonters serving in the 1<sup>st</sup> U. S. Volunteer Engineers; the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> U. S. Cavalry; the 11<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> U. S. Infantry; U. S. Navy; U. S. Marine Corps; and 4<sup>th</sup> U. S. Artillery. The volume also records per diem pay for Companies A-M of the 1<sup>st</sup> Regiment, 25 April-7 May 1898, as authorized by No. 71, Congressional Acts of 1900. Includes summary lists of payments and various notes compiled by the office of the State Treasurer.

Notes: Volume generally provides name; rank; date of muster-in; dates of promotion, discharge, death, etc.; number of days served prior to muster; record of payments; and date and place of muster-out.

### Office of the Auditor of Accounts, Expense Claims, 1898-1904

Microfilm record series PRA 424

Three reels of microfilm, 35 mm

Reels F26172-F26174

#### Content:

Veteran soldiers' claims under No. 86, Acts of 1898, for providing payment of the expenses of sick soldiers of the 1<sup>st</sup> Regiment, Vermont Volunteer Infantry, Spanish-American War, 1898-1901. Arranged alphabetically by name of claimant. Also includes lists of claimants and summary sheets of amounts expended, compiled by the office of the Auditor of Accounts ca.1899 (arranged by company or roughly alphabetically).

Disallowed or incomplete soldiers' claims for medical expenses, 1898-1901. Arranged alphabetically by name of claimant.

List of vouchers missing, 1888-1898.

Claims for costs of newspaper subscriptions for the Vermont Senate, 1898.

Claims for expenses of school examiners, 1898-1899. Arranged chronologically.

Claims for "noxious animal bounties," usually "untamed" foxes "running at large," 1898-1899 (bulk). Arranged alphabetically by town.

Joint Resolutions of the Vermont General Assembly relating to various expenses, 1900. Arranged chronologically.

Claims for funeral or monument expenses for indigent veterans, 1902 (bulk) Arranged chronologically.

Various claims for expenses (mainly attorneys' fees) submitted to the Auditor of Accounts, 1898-1904, and correspondence relating to these claims. Arranged alphabetically by claimant.

Notes: Archive primarily generated during the tenure of Auditor of Accounts Orion M. Barber, 1898-1902. Transferred from the office of the Auditor of Accounts in 1958.

**Reel#**            **Title**

- F26172 Veterans' claims for medical expenses, A-K
- F26173 Veterans' claims for medical expenses, L-Z
- F26174 Veterans' claims for medical expenses, summary sheets and lists of claimants
- Disallowed or incomplete claims for medical expenses
- List of vouchers missing
- Claims for costs of subscriptions
- Claims for expenses of school examiners
- Claims for noxious animal bounties
- Joint Resolutions of the Vermont General Assembly relating to expenses
- Claims for funeral expenses for indigent veterans
- Various claims for expenses submitted to the Auditor of Accounts

**Records of the Vermont Department of United Spanish War Veterans, 1898-1951 (bulk)**

Microfilm record series PRA 425

Two reels of microfilm, 35 mm

Reels F26175-F26176

Content:

**United Spanish War Veterans (National)**

Book of Ceremonies, USWV, 1938.

Constitution and rules and regulations of the USWV, 1936, with supplement, 1936-1939.

Ritual of the USWV, 1945.

Bulletins printed to commemorate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Spanish-American War, 1948-1949.

Arranged chronologically

Reports of national officers, USWV, 1943, 1945, 1947-1951.

Programs and memorabilia from national encampments, USWV, 1949-1951.

Proceedings of national encampments of the USWV, 1930, 1942-1953.

Summaries of proceedings of annual conventions of the National Auxiliary, USWV, 1946-1947, 1953.

Newspaper clippings, mainly from the *National Tribune*, regarding USWV affairs. Most clippings are undated but appear to date from the 1930s. Topics include veterans' pensions, service narratives and reminiscences, obituaries, etc. Not arranged

Decal letters, "U. S. W. V." for sign.

**United Spanish War Veterans (Department of Vermont)**

Lists of pensioners and members at large, USWV, Department of Vermont, compiled ca. 1930 with later notations. One list arranged by county, the other list arranged by town.

By-laws, USWV, Department of Vermont, 1933.

Records of Department Commander George W. Mead, 1939-1940 (bulk), consisting of a bound notebook containing printed general orders, rosters of officers of both state and national posts and

the state auxiliary, rosters of officers and members of Vermont camps, "Taps" notices (regarding deaths of members), financial accounts, obituary clippings, business cards, pension list, etc. Program from the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the muster of the 1<sup>st</sup> Regiment, Vermont Volunteer Infantry, May 1948.

Letters from J. A. Hilliard, National Historian, U.S.W.V., Independence, MO, to Clair V. Heald, Department Adjutant, Montpelier, VT, 1948. Arranged chronologically.

Records of the USWV, Department of Vermont, 1909-1912, 1929-1951. These records were probably compiled by the Department adjutant or historian and may include both manuscript and published information on proceedings of annual state and national encampments (including the women's auxiliary), elections of officers, membership issues, lists of Vermont U.S.W.V. camps, financial accounts, general orders, resolutions, inspection reports, officers' and/or historian's reports, Vermont bills, obituary information, correspondence relating to veterans' affairs, etc. Arranged chronologically.

Adjutant's (C. V. Heald) annual reports, USWV, Department of Vermont, 1947-1951.

Quartermaster's (H. P. Meaker) annual reports, USWV, Department of Vermont, 1948-1952.

Reports of installation of officers, USWV, Department of Vermont: Camp #1 (Rutland), 1946-1947, 1950; Camp #2 (Barre), 1946-1950; Camp #3 (Brattleboro), 1945 and 1950; Camp #6 (Bennington), 1946, 1948-1949, 1951; Camp #9 (Burlington), 1946-1947, 1949-1950; Camp #11 (Newport), 1945; Camp #12 (Winooski), 1946-1947, 1949-1950; and Camp #13 (White River Junction), 1945, 1947, 1949-1950.

Records of attendance at annual, semi-annual or special events of the USWV, Department of Vermont, 1925-1929, 1931-1939, 1942-1952. This record book also appears to record some of the annual and semi-annual outings of the Harry B. Lamson Camp #2 (Barre) of the USWV. The attendance records consist of both compiled lists and actual registration sign-in sheets for these events as well as newspaper clippings recording these events or deaths of prominent members. Arranged chronologically.

"Taps" certificates reporting the deaths of members of the USWV, Department of Vermont, 1929-1953. Arranged alphabetically.

Newspaper clippings, mainly from newspapers in the Barre-Montpelier area. Most are undated but appear to date from both the World War I-era and from the 1930s. Topics include obituaries, veterans' pensions, politics, veterans' organizations, current events, etc. Not arranged.

### **United Spanish War Veterans (Local Camps)**

Rosters of members, USWV, Department of Vermont, Camp #2 (Barre), ca.1930-1931. This is a bound notebook containing two handwritten alphabetical lists of members and one typewritten list with no apparent arrangement.

Adjutant's semi-annual reports, USWV, Department of Vermont, Camp #2 (Barre), 1925-1950

### **Spanish-American War records**

Commissary (mess) account book of field and staff, 1<sup>st</sup> Regiment, Vermont Volunteer Infantry, May-August 1898 (bulk). Also includes several pages of handwritten notes; a checkbook, June-August 1898, and bank account book, June-July 1898, from the First National Bank of Chattanooga, TN; as well as a typewritten essay, "Some Spanish American War History," discussing the unpreparedness of the United States armed services for the Spanish-American War.

Roster of the 1<sup>st</sup> Regiment, Vermont Volunteer Infantry, 16 May 1898.

### **Company H, "Capitol Guard" (Montpelier)**

Menu from an 1896 company gathering in Burlington.

Sick list of Company H, 1<sup>st</sup> Regiment, Vermont Volunteer Infantry, 16 May-3 September 1898, 9pp.

Correspondence regarding the formation and activities of Company H Reserves during World War I, 1917-1919, including a list of men from Montpelier who served during the war and receipts for packages shipped to local units serving overseas. Arranged chronologically  
 Photographs of members of Company H ("Capitol Guard"), 1<sup>st</sup> Regiment, Vermont Volunteer Infantry, undated. Some of the men are identified and one photograph appears to show the company baseball team, "The Indians"

Notes: Active hostilities took place between April-August 1898 (the *Maine* was sunk 15 February 1898), but the Spanish American War was not officially ended until the Presidential Proclamation of 11 April 1899. Transferred from the Vermont Department of United Spanish War Veterans in 1969.

<u>Reel#</u>	<u>Title</u>
F26175	Records of the National United Spanish War Veterans
	Vermont USWV, lists of pensioners
	Vermont USWV, by-laws, 1933
	Vermont USWV, records of George W. Mead, 1939-1940
	Vermont USWV, program of 50 <sup>th</sup> anniversary muster, 1948
	Vermont USWV, letters from J. Hilliard, 1948
	Vermont USWV, records of the Department, 1909-1912, 1929-1951
	Vermont USWV, Adjutant Heald's annual reports, 1947-1951
	Vermont USWV, Quartermaster Meaker's annual reports, 1948-1952
	Vermont USWV, reports of installation of officers
	Vermont USWV, records of attendance at events
F26176	Vermont USWV, "Taps" certificates, 1929-1953
	Vermont USWV, newspaper clippings
	Records of the USWV, Local Camps
	Spanish-American War records, 1898
	Records of Company H, "Capitol Guard," Montpelier

## WORLD WAR I

### Records of the Adjutant and Inspector General, WWI Historical Files, 1917-1926

Microfilm record series PRA 416

Three reels of microfilm, 35 mm

Reels F26159-F26161

#### Content:

Orations delivered at the formal presentation of colors to the State of Vermont on 23 October 1919. Topics include histories of military units in which Vermonters served. Contains some newspaper clippings. Arranged alphabetically by name of orator.

Printed material. Includes: *War Cyclopedia* (GPO, 1918); "The National Guard in the War with Germany" (s.l., s.d.); *U.V.M. Notes* (April 1919); and "Assignments of officers of the Regular Army to National Guard and National Army" (GPO, 1917)

Lists of unit histories. Includes: "A List of the Histories of Regiments and other units of the U.S. Army in the European War" (Library of Congress, Division of Bibliography, 1919-1920); "Additional List of the Histories of Regiments and other units of the U.S. Army in the European War" (Library of Congress, Division of Bibliography, 1922); and two lists of unit histories with authors and publishers compiled by Headquarters, American Legion.

#### **26<sup>th</sup> Division, American Expeditionary Force (Divisional records)**

Correspondence, telegrams, orders, memoranda, bulletins, etc. regarding the service of the 26<sup>th</sup> Division, A. E. F., 1917-1919.

General history and action reports of the 26<sup>th</sup> Division, A. E. F., 1917-1926. Also contains newspaper clippings and printed material.

"With the Yankee [26<sup>th</sup>] Division in France," by Frank P. Sibley. This is an incomplete series of clippings from the *Boston Globe*, 13 April-1 June 1919.

Rosters of officers, 26<sup>th</sup> Division, A. E. F.

#### **26<sup>th</sup> Division, American Expeditionary Force (individual unit histories and action reports)**

51<sup>st</sup> Field Artillery Brigade

57<sup>th</sup> Pioneer Infantry:

History, rosters and lists of men who died in France.

Embarkation lists, Companies A-I, M and Headquarters Company

101<sup>st</sup> Ammunition Train

101<sup>st</sup> Engineers and 101<sup>st</sup> Engineer Train

101<sup>st</sup> Field Artillery

101<sup>st</sup> Field Battalion Signal Corps

101<sup>st</sup> Infantry

101<sup>st</sup> Machine Gun Battalion

101<sup>st</sup> Sanitary Train

101<sup>st</sup> Supply Train

101<sup>st</sup> Train Headquarters

102<sup>nd</sup> Field Artillery

102<sup>nd</sup> Infantry

102<sup>nd</sup> Machine Gun Battalion

103<sup>rd</sup> Field Artillery

103<sup>rd</sup> Infantry

103<sup>rd</sup> Machine Gun Battalion

104<sup>th</sup> Infantry

Miscellaneous unit histories including Mail Detachment, 26<sup>th</sup> Division (U.S.A.P.O. 709); 26<sup>th</sup> Military Police Company (formerly Company B, 101<sup>st</sup> Military Police); Statistical Section, 26<sup>th</sup> Division; Animals of the 26<sup>th</sup> Division; Headquarters, 52<sup>nd</sup> Infantry Brigade; and 101<sup>st</sup> Mobile Ordnance Repair Shop

**1<sup>st</sup> Infantry Regiment, Vermont National Guard**

Special orders, 6 July 1915-14 December 1917, from the file of Company G, primarily regarding promotions, transfers and details, some from Eagle Pass, TX, and some dealing with induction into federal service

Alphabetical listing of members of the regiment with their assigned (federal) military units. The listing is incomplete

**Miscellaneous items**

Five maps relating to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Division in France

Photograph of Perley P. Pitkin (Quartermaster General of the State of Vermont during the Civil War)

Notes: This collection contains many Photostat copies, some of which are very difficult to read and to microfilm. Transferred from the office of the Adjutant General in 1962.

<u>Reel#</u>	<u>Title</u>
F26159	Orations delivered 23 October 1919  Printed material (covers/title pages only)  Lists of unit histories  Divisional records of the 26 <sup>th</sup> Division, American Expeditionary Force  26 <sup>th</sup> Division, A. E. F., unit histories, 51 <sup>st</sup> Field Artillery Brigade  26 <sup>th</sup> Division, A. E. F., unit histories, 57 <sup>th</sup> Pioneer Infantry, through Headquarters Company, embarkation lists
F26160	26 <sup>th</sup> Division, A. E. F., unit histories, 57 <sup>th</sup> Pioneer Infantry, from Company A, embarkation lists  26 <sup>th</sup> Division, A. E. F., unit histories, 57 <sup>th</sup> Pioneer Infantry, history, rosters and lists of men who died in France  26 <sup>th</sup> Division, A. E. F., unit histories, 57 <sup>th</sup> Pioneer Infantry, embarkation lists, Companies A-I, M and Headquarters Company  26 <sup>th</sup> Division, A. E. F., unit histories, 101 <sup>st</sup> Ammunition Train  26 <sup>th</sup> Division, A. E. F., unit histories, 101 <sup>st</sup> Engineers and Engineer Train  26 <sup>th</sup> Division, A. E. F., unit histories, 101 <sup>st</sup> Field Artillery

26<sup>th</sup> Division, A. E. F., unit histories, 101<sup>st</sup> Field Battalion Signal Corps

26<sup>th</sup> Division, A. E. F., unit histories, 101<sup>st</sup> Infantry

26<sup>th</sup> Division, A. E. F., unit histories, 101<sup>st</sup> Machine Gun Battalion

26<sup>th</sup> Division, A. E. F., unit histories, 101<sup>st</sup> Sanitary Train

26<sup>th</sup> Division, A. E. F., unit histories, 101<sup>st</sup> Supply Train

26<sup>th</sup> Division, A. E. F., unit histories, 101<sup>st</sup> Train Headquarters

26<sup>th</sup> Division, A. E. F., unit histories, 102<sup>nd</sup> Field Artillery

26<sup>th</sup> Division, A. E. F., unit histories, 102<sup>nd</sup> Infantry

26<sup>th</sup> Division, A. E. F., unit histories, 102<sup>nd</sup> Machine Gun Battalion

26<sup>th</sup> Division, A. E. F., unit histories, 103<sup>rd</sup> Field Artillery

26<sup>th</sup> Division, A. E. F., unit histories, 103<sup>rd</sup> Infantry

26<sup>th</sup> Division, A. E. F., unit histories, 103<sup>rd</sup> Machine Gun Battalion (continued next reel)

F26161 26<sup>th</sup> Division, A. E. F., unit histories, 103<sup>rd</sup> Machine Gun Battalion (continued)

26<sup>th</sup> Division, A. E. F., unit histories, 104<sup>th</sup> Infantry

Miscellaneous unit histories (described above)

Records of the 1<sup>st</sup> Infantry Regiment, Vermont National Guard

Miscellaneous items (described above)

**Records of the Adjutant and Inspector General, WWI Selective Service Records, 1917-1920**

Microfilm record series PRA 417  
 Seven reels of microfilm, 35 mm  
 Reels F26162-F26167 and F26169

Content:

Form letters from the Provost Marshal General to town clerks soliciting information on members of their Selective Service registration boards, 22 May 1917, with various dates of response. Arranged alphabetically by town.

Records of local Selective Service boards, 1917-1919. These records include lists of men ordered to report to their local boards for military duty and transported to various mobilization camps; lists of men inducted (both voluntary enlistments and drafted men) and entrained; information on men with remediable defects; physical examination reports; town listings of men in service; discharge notices; and correspondence regarding credits, discharges, rejections and other Selective Service matters. Arranged by local board, generally one for each county: Addison, Bennington, Caledonia, Chittenden, Essex, Franklin, Grand Isle, Lamoille, Orange, Orleans,

Rutland (Division #1, Rutland City), Rutland (Division #2, Fair Haven), Washington, Windham, and Windsor.

Photostat copies of Selective Service registration and induction lists from the Adjutant General of the U. S. Army, Selective Service Records Division. Arranged by local board, generally one for each county.

Bulletins from the office of the Adjutant General of Vermont primarily relaying orders from the Provost Marshal General's office in Washington, DC, to local Selective Service boards, Volume 1: 23 November 1917-27 May 1918 and Volume 2: 29 May 1918-20 January 1919.

Telegrams from E. H. Crowder, Provost Marshal General in Washington, DC, to Captain Stephen Salisbury Cushing (U. S. Army), Disbursing Officer and Agent of the United States in Vermont, primarily relaying orders, instructions and clarifications to be disseminated to local Selective Service registration boards, 29 October 1918-1 April 1919. Arranged chronologically.

Papers of Captain Stephen Salisbury Cushing (U. S. Army), Disbursing Officer and Agent of the United States in Vermont, including correspondence, memoranda, bulletins, receipts for supplies and for transfers of quartermaster property, clothing requisitions, pay vouchers, etc., 8 November 1917-1 May 1919. Arranged chronologically.

Accounting records of Captain Stephen Salisbury Cushing (U. S. Army), Disbursing Officer and Agent of the United States in Vermont, pertaining to the administration of the Selective Service program in Vermont, 21 November 1917-28 February 1919. Arranged chronologically.

Papers of Captain John H. Woodruff (U.S. Army), medical aide to the Governor of Vermont, 20 August 1918-12 February 1919. Arranged chronologically.

Broadsides, including two recruiting posters urging voluntary induction, both undated, and a proclamation from President Woodrow Wilson regarding Selective Service registration, 31 August 1918.

Selective Service insignia. Not microfilmed

Notes: Transferred from the office of the Adjutant General in 1962.

<u>Reel#</u>	<u>Title</u>
F26162	Form letters to town clerks, 1917  Records of local Selective Service boards, Addison-Franklin
F26163	Records of local Selective Service boards, Grand Isle-Windham (through June 1918)
F26164	Records of local Selective Service boards, Windham (from July 1918)-Windsor  Registration and induction lists, Addison-Chittenden (through registration lists)
F26165	Registration and induction lists, Chittenden (from list of inductees)-Rutland (District 1, Rutland City, into September 1918 registration list)
F26166	Registration and induction lists, Rutland (District 1, Rutland City, September 1918 registration list continued)-Windsor
F26167	Correspondence relating to registration lists, 1920  Telegrams from E. H. Crowder, 1918-1919  Papers of Stephen Cushing, 1917-1919

Accounting records of Stephen Cushing, 1917-1919

Papers of John Woodruff, 1918-1919

Broadsides (described above)

F26169          Bulletins to local Selective Service boards

**State Treasurer's Office, Application for State Pay Allowed Volunteers and Inducted Men in the Service of the U. S., 20 May 1919**

Microfilm record series PRA 420

One reel of microfilm, 35 mm

Reel F26168

Content:

Application for state pay, Herbert D. Dowse of Corinth, 20 May 1919. Application contains name, current residence, dates of enlistment and discharge, when reported for duty, information regarding commission (if applicable), rank, character of service, military unit in which he served and remarks. A form for the discharge record of the applicant is also included.

Notes: This is an archival sample only. The original applications were probably filmed for the Treasurer's office and then discarded; a single representative hard copy application was retained. Transferred in 1969 from the State Treasurer's office.

**State Treasurer's Office, Account of State Pay to World War I Soldiers, 1917-1924**

Microfilm record series PRA 421

One reel of microfilm, 35 mm

Reel F26170

Content:

This large volume contains a chronological listing of disbursements of state pay to World War I soldiers made by the Montpelier Savings Bank and provides payee name, assignment number, assignor name and amounts. This state pay was authorized by Act No. 168, Section 53, General Laws of Vermont, 1917.

Notes: Transferred from State Treasurer's office in 1984.

**Office of the Auditor of Accounts, Report of Examination of Military Account, 1920.**

Microfilm record series PRA 422

One reel of microfilm, 35 mm

Reel F26168

Content:

This report (271 pp.), submitted to Benjamin Gates, Auditor of Accounts, by Henry Hall, Revenue Clerk, examines the State of Vermont's World War I military account for the period 3 May 1917-1 August 1920. The account covers disbursements to soldiers for state pay and includes remarks, scope of work, status of account as of 1 August 1920, refunds, overpayments, conclusion and an alphabetical listing of soldiers who received the \$120.00 bonus up to 1 August 1920 (listing provides name, amount paid, amount refunded, and amount received).

Notes: Transferred ca.1951 from the office of the Auditor of Accounts.

## WORLD WAR II

### Records of the Vermont Council of Safety, 1942-1943

Microfilm record series PRA 410

One reel of microfilm, 16 mm

Reel F26152

#### Content:

First Corps Area, War Disaster Relief Plan, May 1942. (9 pp.) This "Restricted Document" describes the plan of action to be taken by the First Corps area in the event of national or local disasters. The plan contains eight sections: 1) purpose of plan, 2) scope of plan, 3) intelligence, 4) forces available, 5) responsibility, 6) liaison, 7) standard procedure and 8) authentication.

Receipts, destruction requests and transfer reports pertaining to the War Disaster Relief Plan and other sensitive documents, most sent to the Vermont Council of Safety from Headquarters, First Corps Area, Boston, MA, 13 May 1942-15 April 1943. Arranged chronologically.

Original envelope.

Notes: Transferred from the Vermont Council of Safety in 1967.

### Records of Carl J. Batchelder, Deputy Commissioner, Dept. of Education, 1940-1945

Microfilm record series PRA 411

Two reels of microfilm, 16 mm

Reels F26153-F26154

#### Content:

##### **Correspondence**

Correspondence, minutes of meetings, reports, etc., from the Committee on Pupil Transportation, 1943.

Correspondence, memos, circulars, bulletins, announcements, news releases, etc., relating to issues of pupil transportation and departmental surveys (see below), 1940-1944. Correspondents include the U. S. Office of Defense Transportation, the U.S. Office of Education, the U. S. Office of Civilian Defense, Vermont Division of Motor Transport, etc.

Correspondence relating to the War Production Board's Vermont Salvage Committee, 1943-1945. Includes correspondence with local Salvage Committee chairmen, the Vermont and U.S. Departments of Education, the War Production Board, etc., as well as pamphlets and flyers. Also contains four photographs taken at the Grand Isle Grammar School, winner of the state prize in Vermont's 1943 salvage contest.

##### **Surveys<sup>1</sup>**

Questionnaire on school buses, 31 December 1941, with summary calculations.

Survey of motor-driven school conveyances, April 1942, with summaries.

School bus transportation reports, 27 May 1942, a survey to project demand for tires, and summary, August 1942.

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<sup>1</sup> All surveys are arranged alphabetically by name of superintendent. See Detailed Examination (Part II of this finding aid) for more information.

Survey on the conveyance of school children and milk on the same vehicles (to conserve transportation), October 1942. Also includes a summary of vehicles delivering milk to county plants also conveying school children, from a survey conducted April-August 1942.  
 Special report on school buses, produced for the Office of Defense Transportation, September-November 1942, surveys publicly and privately owned buses.  
 Survey of school transportation, January 1943, produced by the Vermont Dept. of Education for the Office of Defense Transportation, as well as correspondence with the Department of Education regarding this survey, maps, and other records  
 Reports from school district superintendents on scrap piles in schoolyards, October-November 1943.  
 Blank questionnaires, applications, etc. relating to the above surveys. Not microfilmed

**Printed material**

*Public Laws of the State of Vermont Relating to Education*, 1939.  
 Education and National Defense Series publications.  
 Issues of *Bus Transportation*, January 1941 and January 1942.  
 Bus manufacturers' advertisements and specification booklets.  
 Publications of other states detailing wartime transportation and student safety issues. Also includes handbooks and instruction manuals for bus drivers.  
 National publications, including safety manuals and circulars, driver rules and regulations, driver instruction manuals, surveys, and posters, all relating to issues of public transportation and safety in wartime.

Notes: Transferred from the Department of Education in 1969.

<u>Reel#</u>	<u>Title</u>
F26153	All correspondence
	Questionnaire on school buses, 1941
	Survey of motor-driven school conveyances, 1942
	School bus transportation reports, 1942
	Survey on the conveyance of school children and milk, 1942
	Special report on school buses, 1942
	Survey of school transportation, 1943, Superintendents Adams-Holden
F26154	Survey of school transportation, 1943, Superintendents Hoxie-Wheelock
	Scrap piles in school yards, 1943
	Printed material (covers/title pages only)

**Records of the Office of Defense Transportation, Vermont Dairy Industry Transportation Plans, 1943-1945**

Microfilm record series PRA 412  
 Three reels of microfilm, 16 and 35 mm  
 Reel F26155-F26157

Content:

This collection contains the Vermont Dairy Industry's transportation plans for the more efficient utilization of motor vehicles and equipment used in the transportation of dairy products. Plans were approved by the Vermont Dairy Industry Transportation Advisory Committee in conjunction with the state and national Offices of Defense Transportation. Summary sheets describe the various milkshed areas, the number and location of plants and producers, the number of haulers and the location of their routes, proposed relocations of routes, the effect of regulatory laws, haulers suspending operations and a general statement of participation. The collection also includes maps of county milk producers (most of which were prepared by the Federal Milk Market Administrator and published by the Vermont Highway Department in 1943), showing milk transportation routes as they were and following revision. There are also hauler surveys noting the name of the hauler and the names and dairy numbers of those along a particular route. Other information might include correspondence, much of which represents protests by various dairy farmers to the new routes, and lists of producers and vehicles (with can capacity and route mileage) delivering milk to various co-ops, dairies and creameries.

Notes: Arranged alphabetically by milkshed area. The following areas are included: Barre, Barton, Bellows Falls, Bethel, Bradford, Brattleboro, Bridport, Burlington, Cabot, Cambridge, Charlotte, Chelsea, Concord, Craftsbury, East Montpelier, East Randolph, Enosburg, Essex Center, Grand Isle, Greensboro, Groton, Hardwick, Lyndonville, Manchester, Middlebury, Milton, Monkton, Morrisville, New Haven, Newport, North Danville, Orleans, Peacham, Plainfield, Randolph, Richmond, Rutland County, St. Albans, Salisbury, Shelburne, Shoreham, South Strafford, Starksboro, Stowe, Swanton, Troy, Vergennes, Waterbury and Whiting. The maps included in this collection are color-coded and thus do not translate well to microfilm. Although these maps were filmed for preservation purposes, the originals should be consulted. Transferred from the Department of Agriculture in 1967.

<u>Reel#</u>	<u>Title</u>
F26155	Dairy transportation plans, Barre-Stowe
F26156	Dairy transportation plans, Swanton-Whiting
F26157	Dairy transportation plans, maps

**Report of Charles N. Barber, Director of Selective Service for the State of Vermont, 16 September 1940-30 June 1947**

Microfilm record series PRA 413  
One reel of microfilm, 16 mm  
Reel F26158

Content:

Barber's report (399 pp.) to Governor E. W. Gibson contains information on the Selective Service in Vermont including the organization and administration of the program; governors of Vermont (WWII); registration and classification; occupational deferments; appeals; medical division; quotas, calls and inductions; delinquents; conscientious objectors; procurement and personnel division; veterans assistance program; and a final chapter, "In Retrospect."

Notes: Transferred as an archival stray in 1962

**World War II Bonus Payments, 1942-1950**

Microfilm record series PRA 414

Four reels of microfilm, 35 mm

Reels F26216-F26219

Content:

Bonus payments made to veterans of World War II or their heirs by the State of Vermont as authorized by the Vermont legislature. Cards yield name of veteran, date (i.e. 1946 March 1), appropriation number (i.e. 19.24), voucher number (i.e. 107582) and amount (i.e. \$120.00). Arranged alphabetically by name of veteran (see notes below).

Notes: Accessioned in 1974, probably from the office of the Auditor of Accounts. The cards are arranged alphabetically. When searching the cards, it is important to check alternate spellings of any particular surname. It is also important to keep in mind that these are handwritten cards. If it proves difficult to locate an individual, please try to visualize alternate interpretations of names and of letters composing the surname (check under Christian name as well). If the individual was killed during the war, it may also be helpful to check under the names of parents, spouses or other heirs.

<b><u>Reel#</u></b>	<b><u>Title</u></b>
F26216	Bonus payments, A-DeVarney
F26217	Bonus payments, Devenger-K <sup>2</sup>
F26218	Bonus payments, L-Rice <sup>3</sup>
F26219	Bonus payments, Rich-Z <sup>4</sup>

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<sup>2</sup> Cards for Arthur Keeler through John Kehoe were refilmed at the end of Reel #F26219. William H. Dimick follows Stephen W. Hart on the film; this was the only double-sided card in the collection. Card for James E. Garrow will be found at the end of this reel.

<sup>3</sup> Card for Robert E. Moffitt will be found at the end of this reel.

<sup>4</sup> Also contains refilmed cards from Reel #F26217, Arthur Keeler through John Kehoe.

## VIETNAM WAR

Microfilm only: **RESTRICTED** (see note below)

### Selective Service Classification Records, 1944-1950 (Birthdates)

Two reels of microfilm, 35 mm (negative, security copies only)

#### Content:

Selective Service classification records grouped by local boards. Each county had a Selective Service board. May provide name of applicant; date of birth; occupation; dates the Selective Service questionnaire was mailed and returned; classification and date of mailing notice; date of physical exam and results; appeals pending and results; dates and types of entry (inducted, enlisted, commissioned, ordered), branch of service (army, navy, etc.) and separation (nature of discharge, date of death) both on active duty or civilian work; transfers, and remarks (only surviving son, removals to Canada, etc.). Contents include #9 Chelsea, #2 Bennington, #11 Rutland, #13 Brattleboro, #14 Woodstock, #12 Montpelier, #1 Middlebury, #4 Burlington, #6 St. Albans, #7 North Hero, #3 St. Johnsbury, #5 Island Pond, #8 Hyde Park and #10 Newport.

Notes: The boards are not in numerical sequence but were filmed in the order they were received. Some of the local board records are in chronological order, 1944-1950 (Woodstock and St. Albans), but all others are in reverse chronological order, 1950-1944. Filmed in 1970 for the Selective Service State Headquarters by the Public Records Division. **This is a restricted collection** and may not be accessed through the State of Vermont. All Selective Service information must be solicited from the National Headquarters, 1515 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22209 (telephone: 703-605-4046).

## **PART 2: DETAILED EXAMINATION**

### **MILITIA**

#### **Register of Enlistments in the United States Army, 1798-17 May 1815**

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 99

Microfilm: Reels F2852-F2864

Extent: Thirteen reels of microfilm, 35mm (originals held by the National Archives)

#### Content:

This series of films records Army enlistments, 1798-17 May 1815. The registers may provide name, rank, regiment, company, company commander, regimental commander, height, eye and hair color, complexion, age, occupation, place of birth, term of enlistment, when, where and by whom enlisted and remarks regarding the individual's record of service. Remarks may include information on transfer, death, court martial, desertion, furlough, prisoner of war status, resignation, discharge, reenlistment, illness, and/or promotion. The organization of the film is alphabetical; however, the alphabetical arrangement has been "initialized," meaning that order proceeds from last initial together with first initial (i.e. all whose last initial is "M" and whose first initial is "A" precede those whose last initial is "M" and whose first initial is "B." In this arrangement Mullin, Andrew, will come before Macy, Benjamin. Non-combatants (servants, surgeons, washerwomen, apothecaries, etc.) are listed at the end of their appropriate section, and are usually classified as "miscellaneous." There is a glossary of abbreviations at the beginning of the first reel.

Notes: These reels form part of a more comprehensive series of films from the National Archives entitled, "Registers of Enlistments in the United States Army, 1798-1914." These films were produced in 1956 by the National Archives (Microcopy number M233) and were transferred to Public Records, Reference and Research Division, in June of 1968.

#### **Records of the Third Regiment, Third Brigade, Third Division, Vermont Militia, 1807-1838**

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 428

Microfilm: Reel F26180

Extent: One volume

#### Content:

Regimental book contains rosters of field and staff for 1810, 1816, 1818 and 1837; a record of warrants, commissions, resignations and elections, 1807-1838; listing of towns comprising the recruiting district of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Regiment, ca.1820; company rosters of officers, noncommissioned officers and musicians of the 4<sup>th</sup> Company, 1838 and for the Franklin Artillery, 1833; warnings to muster, 1826-1837; and regimental returns, 1810-1812, 1815 and 1822 (includes number of men by rank and number of accoutrements). The record book was begun by Adjutant William C. Ellsworth of Richford in 1807.

Notes: Transferred on 24 November 1964.

#### **Records of the Twenty-third Regiment, Second Brigade, Third Division, Vermont Militia, 1839-1844 (bulk)**

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 188

Microfilm: Reel F04309

Extent: One reel of microfilm, 35mm (original not held by Public Records)

Content:

This regiment drew its members from Thetford, Norwich, Hartford, Strafford, Sharon and Pomfret. The record book contains regimental returns (usually recorded at annual June Trainings), 1839-1841 and 1843-1844; company returns (usually recorded at annual June Trainings), 1839-1841, 1843; quartermaster accounts, 1838, 1840-1841; inventories of public property, 1839-1841, 1843; records of organization; general and special orders; warnings to muster, courts martial and election returns; printed forms; and rosters of officers and noncommissioned officers.

Notes: This record book was filmed and accessioned in 1971

**Militia Rolls and Returns, ca.1838-1844 (blank form books only)**

Record Series: PRA 409

Microfilm: Blank books, not microfilmed

Extent: Two volumes

Content:

Two blank volumes representing form books for militia rolls and returns. One volume is for infantry returns and the other is for artillery returns.

## CIVIL WAR

### State Treasurer's Office, Civil War Bonds, 1861-1862

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 454

Microfilm: Reel F26195

Extent: Twelve items

#### Content:

\$1,000.00 bonds, with \$30.00 interest coupons, issued 1 June 1861. These are 10-year bonds. Bond #14 was issued to the Boston Five Cents Savings Bank and is signed by Governor Erastus Fairbanks, Lt. Governor Levi Underwood and State Treasurer J. B. Page. Bond #428 was issued to Arthur W. Blake and is signed by Governor Frederick Holbrook, Lt. Governor Levi Underwood and State Treasurer J. B. Page (2 items)

\$500.00 bonds, with \$15.00 interest coupons, issued 1 June 1861. These are 10-year bonds. Bond #62 was issued to the Woodstock Bank and is signed by Governor Erastus Fairbanks, Lt. Governor Levi Underwood and State Treasurer J. B. Page. Bond #275 was issued to Blake Brothers & Co. and is signed by Governor Erastus Fairbanks, Lt. Governor Levi Underwood and State Treasurer J. B. Page. Bond #413 was also issued to Blake Brothers & Co. and is signed by Governor Frederick Holbrook, Lt. Governor Paul Dillingham and State Treasurer J. B. Page (3 items)

\$500.00 bonds, with \$15.00 interest coupons, issued 1 December 1862. Bond #609 (14-year bond) was issued to Revere Bank and is signed by Governor Frederick Holbrook, Lt. Governor Paul Dillingham and State Treasurer J. B. Page. Bond #843 (14-year bond) was also issued to Revere Bank and is signed by Governor Frederick Holbrook, Lt. Governor Paul Dillingham and State Treasurer J. B. Page. Bond #1114 (12-year bond) was issued to Suffolk Bank and is signed by Governor J. Gregory Smith, Lt. Governor Paul Dillingham and State Treasurer J. B. Page. Bond #1526 (12-year bond) was issued to the Agricultural College L. S. Fund and is signed by Governor J. Gregory Smith, Lt. Governor Paul Dillingham and State Treasurer J. B. Page. Bond #1674 (16-year bond) was issued to the Bank of Brattleboro and is signed by Governor J. Gregory Smith, Lt. Governor Paul Dillingham and State Treasurer J. B. Page. Bond #1802 (16-year bond) was issued to Suffolk Bank and is signed by Governor J. Gregory Smith, Lt. Governor Paul Dillingham and State Treasurer J. B. Page. Bond #2002 (16-year bond) was issued to the National Bank of Red<sup>n</sup> and is signed by Governor J. Gregory Smith, Lt. Governor Paul Dillingham and State Treasurer J. B. Page (7 items)

### State Treasurer's Office, Registry of Civil War Bonds, June 1861

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 435

Microfilm: Reel F26181

Extent: One volume

#### Content:

Registry of 10-year bonds issued under an Act of the General Assembly from its April session, 1861, for arming, etc., the militia. The volume provides number of bond, date, to whom issued, amount, when paid, record of amount of interest and when paid, and remarks. Contains an accounting of \$1,000.00 bonds, #1-600 and \$500.00 bonds, #1-600. Also includes a sample bond (\$1,000.00) with interest coupons (\$30.00 each).

**State Treasurer's Office, Registry of Civil War Bonds, December 1862**

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 436

Microfilm: Reel F26181

Extent: One volume

Content:

Registry of bonds issued under an Act of the General Assembly from its October session, 1862, for military expenses. The volume provides number of bond, date, to whom issued, amount, when paid, record of amount of interest and when paid, and remarks. Contains an accounting of \$500.00 bonds of 12-years (#1101-1600), 14-years (#601-1100) and 16-years (#1601-2100).

**State Treasurer's Office, Record of State Pay, 1861**

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 444

Microfilm: Reel F26188

Extent: One volume

Content:

This ledger contains accounts of state pay (\$7.00 per month) to the 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Regiments as well as for later recruits for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Regiment. Information on 1<sup>st</sup> Regiment, pp. 1-39; pp. 40-250 comprise accounts opened with the original members of the 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Regiments that were subsequently transferred to another ledger (probably Microfilm PRA 445). The volume may provide name, rank, date of enlistment, residence, amount per month and date paid, and notations of death, discharge and/or muster-out.

**State Treasurer's Office, Record of State Pay, 1861-ca.1864**

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 445

Microfilm: Reel F26188

Extent: One volume

Content:

This ledger contains accounts of state pay (\$7.00 per month) to the 2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Regiments; 1<sup>st</sup> Cavalry Regiment; Companies F, E and H, United States Sharpshooters; and the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Batteries, Light Artillery. The volume may provide name, rank, date of muster-in, record of payments made and remarks (promotion, death, discharge, desertion, transfer, etc.), residence, amount per month and date paid, and notations of death, discharge and/or muster-out. There is an index to the ledger inside the front cover. These accounts were subsequently consolidated and transcribed. See Microfilm PRA 449.

**State Treasurer's Office, Record of State Pay, 1861-1866**

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 449

Microfilm: Reel #F26190

Extent: Two volumes

Content:

These volumes contain a record of state pay (\$7.00 per month) to Vermont volunteers (noncommissioned officers and staff, musicians and privates), 1861-1866, with some later notations. The ledgers provide name; date of muster-in; date of discharge, desertion, death, etc.; period of service (in months and days); total amount paid and remarks. Remarks might include information pertaining to the forfeit of state pay (substitute status, desertion or dishonorable discharge), allotment arrangements, commutation, overpayment and/or amounts refunded due to overpayment. Ledger A contains accounts for the 1<sup>st</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> Regiments with a separate list of

additions and Ledger B contains accounts for the 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> Regiments; 1<sup>st</sup> Cavalry Regiment; Companies F, E and H, United States Sharpshooters; 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> Batteries, Light Artillery; two companies of drafted men (most for the 6<sup>th</sup> Regiment); Frontier Cavalry, Companies M and F; 1<sup>st</sup> Brigade Band; 54<sup>th</sup> Massachusetts Regiment (Colored) and the U.S.C.T.; unassigned recruits (including those who deserted prior to muster) for the 2<sup>nd</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> Regiments, the Cavalry, Sharpshooters, the Vermont Batteries and those not assigned to a particular company or regiment; and miscellaneous African American recruits enlisting in the southern states for the U.S.C.T. (these latter recruits do not appear in Peck's published roster). All of these accounts were consolidated and transcribed from accounts contained on Microfilm PRA 444-448.

Notes: Transferred from the office of the State Treasurer on 24 April 1961.

**State Treasurer's Office, Record of State Pay, 1862-ca.1865**

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 446

Microfilm: Reel F26188

Extent: One volume

Content:

This ledger contains accounts of state pay (\$7.00 per month) to the 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> Regiments and April 1862 recruits for the 2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Regiments. The volume may provide name, rank, date of muster-in, record of payments made and remarks (promotion, death, discharge, desertion, transfer, etc.) residence, amount per month and date paid, and notations of death, discharge and/or muster-out. There is an index to the ledger inside the front cover. These accounts were subsequently consolidated and transcribed. See Microfilm PRA 449.

**State Treasurer's Office, Record of State Pay, 1862-ca.1865**

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 447

Microfilm: Reel F26189

Extent: One volume

Content:

This ledger contains accounts of state pay (\$7.00 per month) to the 10<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> Regiments; September 1862 recruits for the 2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Regiments, Companies F, E and H, United States Sharpshooters; the 1<sup>st</sup> Cavalry Regiment; Brigade Band; Companies L and M, 11<sup>th</sup> Regiment; 2<sup>nd</sup> Battery, Light Artillery; two companies of drafted men; recruits for the 11<sup>th</sup> Regiment; African American recruits who enlisted in southern states; 54<sup>th</sup> Massachusetts Regiment (Colored); and unassigned African American recruits. The volume may provide name, rank, date of muster-in, record of payments made and remarks (promotion, death, discharge, desertion, transfer, etc.) residence, amount per month and date paid, and notations of death, discharge and/or muster-out. There is an index to the ledger inside the front cover. These accounts were subsequently consolidated and transcribed. See Microfilm PRA 449.

**State Treasurer's Office, Record of State Pay, 1863-ca.1865**

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 448

Microfilm: Reel F26189

Extent: One volume

Content:

This ledger contains accounts of state pay (\$7.00 per month) to recruits, reenlisted men and drafted men for the 2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Regiments; 1<sup>st</sup> Cavalry Regiment; Companies F, E and H, United States Sharpshooters; and the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Batteries, Light Artillery. Also contains record of state

pay for the newly formed 3<sup>rd</sup> Battery, Light Artillery, the Frontier Cavalry and for unassigned recruits. The volume may provide name, rank, date of muster-in, record of payments made and remarks (promotion, death, discharge, desertion, transfer, etc.), residence, amount per month and date paid, and notations of death, discharge and/or muster-out. There is an index to the ledger inside the front cover. These accounts were subsequently consolidated and transcribed. See Microfilm PRA 449.

**State Treasurer's Office, Allotment Ledgers, 1862-1866**

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 450

Microfilm: Reel F26191

Extent: Two volumes

Content:

These volumes contain accounts of allotments of pay made by Vermont soldiers in military service during the Civil War. The ledgers provide name of soldier, his assignee, the dates of cash received and allotments made along with interest accrued. Notations within accounts may indicate death or discharge. Ledger A contains accounts of men serving in the 2<sup>nd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Regiments, 1<sup>st</sup> Cavalry Regiment (Companies A-K) and Companies F, E and H, United States Sharpshooters. There is an index inside the front cover of the volume as well as the notation that all outstanding accounts as of 11 September 1866 were transferred to pages 454-571 of Ledger B. These latter accounts contain notations of account activity up to the 1880s. Ledger B contains accounts for 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> Regiments; 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> Batteries, Light Artillery; Companies L and M, 1<sup>st</sup> Cavalry Regiment; and one recruit (A. Mero, Company B) for the 54<sup>th</sup> Massachusetts Regiment (Colored). Ledger B also contains a separate account of arrears of government pay due the 2<sup>nd</sup> Regiment for time served prior to their muster-in. This latter list provides name, residence, time served, amount due and remarks. There is an index to this volume inside the front cover.

**State Treasurer's Office, Expense Ledger, 1862, 1864-1865**

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 452

Microfilm: Reel F26193

Extent: One volume

Content:

This expense ledger (41 pp.) contains brief accounts of costs related to the transportation of soldiers, expenses of military commissioners, recruiting costs, costs of organizing militia, muster and pay expenses of officers, costs of defending the frontier, office expenses and costs of arresting deserters. There is also an account related to the support of Vermont inmates at the American Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb in Hartford, CT. An index of accounts may be found at the front of the volume.

**State Treasurer's Office, Roster of Vermont Volunteers, 1863**

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 440

Microfilm: Reel F26182

Extent: One volume

Content:

Alphabetical roster of Vermont Civil War soldiers providing name, rank, company, and regiment. The roster was prepared in August 1863.

**Enrolled Militia of Buel's Gore, 1863**

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 437

Microfilm: Reel F26181  
Extent: One volume

Content:

Alphabetical listing of men eligible for military service. Enrollment began 27 January 1863. The names, ages and occupations of only five men are listed.

Notes: Transferred by Chittenden County Clerk, Robert J. Rousseau, on 28 August 1958.

**Enrolled Militia of Goshen Gore by Wheelock, 1863**

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 438

Microfilm: Reel F26181

Extent: One volume

Content:

Alphabetical listing of men eligible for military service. This volume provides name, age, occupation and remarks. Remarks generally describe the nature of exemption, if applicable.

Notes: Transferred by Caledonia County Clerk, Violet D. Taylor, on 1 December 1964.

**Enrolled Militia, Town of Ripton, 1863 and 1867**

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 439

Microfilm: Reel F26181

Extent: One volume

Content:

Alphabetical listing of men eligible for military service. Contains enrollments for 1863 and 1867. The volume provides name, age, occupation and remarks. Remarks generally describe the nature of exemption, if applicable.

**Office of the Auditor of Accounts, Military Claims, 1861-1864**

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 213

Microfilm: Reel F28280

Extent: One volume

Content:

Includes soldiers' claims for state pay due; claims for medical expenses; claims for transportation, meals, and board; recruiting expenses; and claims by towns for military expenses.

Notes: Filmed for the Public Records Division. Transferred by the Auditor of Accounts on 23 October 1974.

**Auditor of Accounts, Report to the General Assembly for the Year Ending 1 September 1862**

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 441

Microfilm: Reel F26181

Extent: One item, 24 pp.

Content:

Auditor of Account's report to the General Assembly for the year ending 1 September 1862. Contains a summary of expenditures and liquidations (3 pp.) by the Auditor of Accounts, Jephtha

Bradley; a detailed classification of the orders of the Auditor of Accounts (4 pp.); State Treasurer J. B. Page's report of receipts and disbursements, resources and liabilities and statement of tax account (9 pp.); report of Charles W. Bradbury, Inspector of Finance, on the examination of the State Treasurer's accounts and the books and papers held by the Auditor of Accounts (2 pp.); and report of Hiram Harlow, Superintendent of the State Prison, on prison expenditures and income (6 pp.)

Notes: Transferred on 15 December 1969.

**Office of the Auditor of Accounts [?], Records Relating to Civil War Expense Claims of the State of Vermont against the United States, 1866-1871**

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 457

Microfilm: Reel F26198

Extent: Ten items

Content:

Some of the rules and decisions governing the settlement of the state's war claims with subsequent modifications of the same by decisions of the Second Comptroller, 1866 (26 pp.)

Statement of differences arising upon settlement of the account of the State of Vermont against the United States for expenses incurred in raising volunteers for the field under and Act of Congress approved July 27<sup>th</sup>, 1861 (62 pp.)

List of vouchers and amounts suspended in the office of the Second Comptroller in addition to those suspended by the Third Auditor in the account of the State of Vermont for reimbursement of expenses for troops, etc., to aid in suppressing the insurrection against the general government (22 pp.)

Statement of differences arising on special settlement of the first, second and third installments of the war claim of the State of Vermont, reported Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1868 (132 pp.)

Explanations as to differences arising out of the settlement of first [, second and third] installment[s] of the war claim of the State of Vermont against the United States, 1871 (86 pp.)

Statement of outstanding differences, and of differences arising on settlement of the fourth installment of the war claim of the State of Vermont, as per abstracts and vouchers, May 17<sup>th</sup>, 1867 (22 pp.)

Statement of differences arising on settlement of the sixth, seventh, eighth, ninth, tenth and eleventh installments of the war claim of the State of Vermont, reported June 21, 1869 and returned July 21, 1869 (84 pp.)

Seventh, eighth, ninth, tenth and eleventh installments, a listing of abstracts and vouchers. (44 pp.)

Explanations to the disallowed and suspended accounts on original settlement of the eighth installment of the war claim of the State of Vermont against the United States, 1871 (48 pp.)

Explanations as to differences arising out of the settlement of the tenth installment of the war claim of the State of Vermont against the United States, 1871 (36 pp.)

Notes: Transferred 15 December 1969.

**Office of the Auditor of Accounts, Records Relating to Civil War Expenses, 1860-1908<sup>5</sup>**

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<sup>5</sup> These records were found in such a state of disorganization that original order, despite many hours of examination, could not be reconstructed. Arrangement by type of record (i.e. quartermaster accounts, Adjutant General's accounts, etc.) was created whenever possible; however, a great many records were found in such disarray (abstracts without corresponding vouchers, cover letters without enclosures, etc.) that a strictly chronological arrangement, without reference to topical matter, had to be resorted to.

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 458  
Microfilm: Reels F26211-F26215  
Extent: Three cubic feet

**Content:**

Most of the records in this collection pertain to the State of Vermont's military claims for Civil War expenses against the U.S. government. These military claims were submitted in a series of installments between 1866 and 1873. When received by the U.S. Auditor's office, many of the claims were returned to Vermont with a detailed accounting of and explanation for disallowed claims, some requiring explanation and others requiring further proof of expense (receipts and vouchers). The working notes of and correspondence between those involved in preparing and submitting Vermont's claims are included. This exchange between Vermont and the U.S. government went on for many years. These records provide very detailed (in fact, itemized) information on Vermont's Civil War expenditures, including costs related to defense of the northern frontier following the St. Albans Raid on 19 October 1864<sup>6</sup>.

**Accounts of the Quartermaster General**

Receipts of ordnance stores issued to Vermont from New York Arsenal, 1864-1865<sup>7</sup> (25 items)  
Report of persons employed by the Quartermaster General and the employees' receipt rolls. These men were employed cleaning and repairing guns issued for use by the provisional forces in defense of the frontier, August 1865-February 1866 (16 items)  
Accounts of the Quartermaster General, 1864-1869<sup>8</sup> Includes abstracts, schedules, vouchers, and, in some cases, subvouchers (1,132 items)

**Accounts of the Adjutant and Inspector General**

Telegrams charged to the office of the Adjutant and Inspector General, 15 November 1861-16 August 1865. Content of telegrams included (397 items)  
Accounts from the office of the Adjutant and Inspector General of Vermont that had not been adjusted or paid by 9 November 1865. Includes invoice, explanation and vouchers (61 items)  
General and special orders and circulars issued by the office of the Adjutant and Inspector General of Vermont, 1862-1866 (56 items)  
List of Confederate flags captured by Vermont troops and their dates of capture<sup>9</sup>, undated (1 item)

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<sup>6</sup> Other records pertain to expenses of civil and military officials, recruiting expenses, medical and transportation expenses of soldiers, telegraph costs, expenses involved in uniforming and equipping troops, advertising expenses, etc.

<sup>7</sup> Duplicated in Abstract D for 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 1864 and for the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> quarters of 1865.

<sup>8</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 1864: Account Current, Abstracts A (Purchases paid at Montpelier), B (Expenditures of the Quartermaster Department), Returns of Public Property including Abstracts C (Articles Purchased), D (Articles Received from Officers), F (Articles Transferred), G (Articles Expended), and Report of Persons and Articles Employed and Hired by the Quartermaster General; 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 1865: Account Current, Abstracts A and B, Return of Public Property including Abstracts C, D, E (Articles Received from various sources), F and G, and Report of Persons Employed; 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 1865: Account Current, Abstract B, Return of Public Property including Abstracts A, D, E, F and G; 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 1865: Account Current, Abstract B. Return of Public Property including Abstracts A, D, F and G; Six months ending 31 March 1866: Account Current, Abstracts A and B; Six months ending 29 September 1866, Abstracts A and B; Year ending 29 September 1866: Abstracts A (previous group), D and F and Schedules A (Articles Sold), B (Public Property Received), C (Public Property Lost or Destroyed and G (Quartermaster Stores Expended in Public Service); 1 October 1866-28 February 1867: Account Current, vouchers to Abstracts A and B; 1 March-31 August 1867: Abstracts A and B; 1 March-31 August 1869: Account Current only. This collection is not complete; some abstracts and/or vouchers are missing.

### **Records from the office of the Secretary of State**

Registry of state bonds as recorded at the office of the Secretary of State, 1860-1861 (1 item, 26 pp.)

### **Other Accounts forwarded to the Auditor of Accounts**

Bills from Civil War medical examiners. Most services were rendered in 1863, and the claims made to the Auditor in 1871. Arranged alphabetically by name of physician (53 items)  
Soldiers' and/or their heirs' claims for state back pay, ca. 1861-1864 (86 items)  
Statements of amounts expended by Vermont towns in procuring men for military service, with letters from town selectmen, reported March-September 1866 (241 items)  
Other records and accounts arranged by date, 1860-1908 (785 items)

### **Receipts**

For state tax on towns, 1863-1866, 1868, 1870, 1877-1879 and 1881 (858 items)  
From towns for Huntington Fund disbursements, 1904 (146 items)  
General receipts<sup>10</sup>, 1864-1867, 1871, 1878-1880, 1882 and 1886 (399 items)

### **Orders from the Auditor of Accounts to the State Treasurer**

Auditor's office orders to the State Treasurer to disburse funds, 1848-1850, 1868, 1876 and 1890 (280 items)

### **Miscellaneous receipts/orders**

Miscellaneous receipts/orders, undated (3 items)

Notes: Transferred 15 January 1958 by the Auditor of Accounts.

### **Office of the Auditor of Accounts, Correspondence with the Attorney General, 31 March 1908-12 February 1918.**

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 442

Microfilm: Reels F26181-F26182

Extent: One volume

#### Content:

Correspondence between the Auditor of Accounts and the Attorney General regarding the interpretation of public statutes, session laws and general laws (revision) in regard to allowable expenses. Some topics include: naturalization, legal expenses/fees/fines, property issues, expenses of indigent veterans, burial or funeral expenses of veterans, railroad expenses, military

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<sup>9</sup> Flags included on list: Crampton's Gap, 14 September 1862, flag of the 6<sup>th</sup> Virginia, taken by the 4<sup>th</sup> Vermont; Gettysburg, 3 July 1863, flags of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Florida and the 8<sup>th</sup> Virginia, taken by the 16<sup>th</sup> Vermont; Petersburg, 17 June 1864, flag of the 17<sup>th</sup> Tennessee, taken by the 17<sup>th</sup> Vermont; Cedar Creek, 19 October 1864, 3 battle flags taken by the 1<sup>st</sup> Vermont Cavalry; also several others taken at different times, all labeled with the name, company and regiment of the man who captured them (so states the list without detail).

<sup>10</sup> Receipts relate to: Civil War expenses (payroll, recruiting, etc.); Railroad and Bank Commissioners' salaries and expenses; fees, fines and costs collected by county clerks, probate judges, sheriffs and justices of the peace; legal fees; sales of state publications (such as copies of the general statutes or revised laws); liquor prosecution fines; fines for nonattendance at militia drills; sales of state property; license fees; expenses of Inspectors of Finance; for convict labor and other Corrections Department costs; for various taxes levied (on banks, insurance companies, railroads, etc.); refunds from appropriations; and disbursements to towns on various funds (U.S. Deposit Fund, for example).

expenses, liability insurance, educational expenses, liquor licensing, and expenses pertaining to governmental administration (payment of office rent, utilities, clerk hire, etc.). Includes an alphabetical subject index and numerical indices to the interpretations of public statutes, session laws and general laws (revision), all at the rear of the volume.

Notes: Transferred 15 February 1958 from the office of the Auditor of Accounts.

**Correspondence and Report of John Howe, Jr., Relating to State Aid to Soldiers' Families, 1861-1866**

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 451

Microfilm: Reel F26192

Extent: One volume

Content:

John Howe, Jr., was Vermont's agent for the relief of soldiers' families. His letterpress book contains 111 pages of correspondence with concerned parties making solicitations for or rendering accounts pertaining to the financial needs of soldiers' families. Most of the correspondence with town relief agents explains the provisions of the laws relating to expenditures of state aid. The volume also contains a photocopy (13 pp.) of the published *Report of John Howe, Jr., Relative to State Aid for Soldiers' Families in Vermont, From Oct. 1, 1861 to Sept. 1, 1862* (Montpelier: Freeman Printing, 1862).

Notes: Some of the letters are difficult or impossible to read due to fading. Transferred from the office of the Secretary of State on 13 May 1971

**Records of the Quartermaster General, 1857-1867 (bulk)**

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 443

Microfilm: Reels F26183-F26187

Extent: Five cubic feet

Content:

Records and correspondence of Vermont Quartermasters General George Davis and Perley Pitkin, 1857-1867 (bulk). The series also contains the records and correspondence of Perley Pitkin while acting in the capacity of Captain and Assistant Quartermaster, U. S. Army, stationed in Warrenton Junction, VA<sup>11</sup> (October 1862), and in Brandy Station, VA (November 1863). Included in the collection are financial abstracts and vouchers pertaining to purchases, cash expenditures, and articles received, transferred and expended by the Quartermaster General's office, 1864-1867<sup>12</sup>. Also included are miscellaneous receipts, 1865 (3 items) and 1898 (1 item). This is a very interesting record series documenting expenses incurred in raising, arming, and equipping troops for U. S. service (Civil War) and the Vermont militia (provisional units for state

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<sup>11</sup> On 13 October 1862, Pitkin was placed in charge of the Harpers Ferry Depot by Rufus Ingalls, Quartermaster of the Army of the Potomac. Pitkin's responsibilities placed him in charge of all means of transportation (wagons, horses, etc.) and all "contrabands." Pitkin arranged for the transportation of all troops and supplies and was also responsible for receiving and issuing all forage and fuel. He issued all necessary orders to the railroads and depot guards, both cavalry and infantry.

<sup>12</sup> Generally included are Abstract A (purchases paid at Montpelier); Abstract B (cash expenditures); Abstract C (articles purchased); Abstract D (articles received from officers); Abstract E (articles received from various sources); Abstract F (articles transferred); Abstract G (articles expended, sold or lost); Reports of Persons Employed and Hired; and Account Current statements. Most of the Abstracts also contain corresponding vouchers or schedules.

service in defense of the frontier subsequent to the St. Albans Raid and newly formed militia units 1864-1866).

Notes: Transferred from the office of the Adjutant General on 15 January 1962.

**Secretary of State's Office, Civil War Soldiers' Powers of Attorney and Survivor Applications to Draw State Pay, 1861-1873 (bulk)**

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 459

Microfilm: Reels F26200-F26210

Extent: Eight cubic feet

Content:

This collection contains Civil War soldiers' powers of attorney allowing a designated assignee to draw pay (\$7.00 per month) from the State Treasurer. Also includes applications of surviving relatives of Vermont soldiers to collect arrears of pay due. Many of the applications provide genealogical information<sup>13</sup>. Arranged alphabetically within companies by name of soldier. Units included are: 2<sup>nd</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiments (including the 11<sup>th</sup> Regiment/1<sup>st</sup> Heavy Artillery)<sup>14</sup>; 1<sup>st</sup>

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<sup>13</sup> Information from powers of attorney may include name of soldier, unit affiliation, name of appointed attorney, residence of appointee, date, and witness signature (often an officer). Survivor applications to draw state pay or bounty may include: name of claimant, residence, age, relation to deceased soldier, unit affiliation of deceased soldier, his date of enlistment and date and place of death, certification of civil official (often a justice of the peace) and witness signature. Affidavits are often included that may provide information on marriage (including marriage certificates), parents, siblings and/or children. Letters pertaining to administration of the estate of the deceased may also be included.

<sup>14</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> Regiment: Co. A, 142 items; Co. B, 117 items; Co. C, 108 items; Co. D, 135 items; Co. E, 105 items; Co. F, 113 items; Co. G, 128 items; Co. H, 90 items; Co. I, 125 items; Co. K, 103 items; Band, 17 items; and noncommissioned staff, 3 items. 3<sup>rd</sup> Regiment: Co. A, 106 items; Co. B, 81 items; Co. C, 104 items; Co. D, 88 items; Co. E, 103 items; Co. F, 123 items; Co. G, 74 items; Co. H, 70 items; Co. I, 129 items; Co. K, 99 items; Band, 11 items; and noncommissioned staff, 2 items. 4<sup>th</sup> Regiment: Co. A, 89 items; Co. B, 93 items; Co. C, 115 items; Co. D, 115 items; Co. E, 118 items; Co. F, 95 items; Co. G, 134 items; Co. H, 123 items; Co. I, 95 items; Co. K, 110 items; and Band, 1 item. 5<sup>th</sup> Regiment: Co. A, 107 items; Co. B, 129 items; Co. C, 107 items; Co. D, 113 items; Co. E, 67 items; Co. F, 117 items; Co. G, 117 items; Co. H, 135 items; Co. I, 125 items; Co. K, 114 items; noncommissioned staff, 2 items; and band, 10 items. 6<sup>th</sup> Regiment: Co. A, 127 items; Co. B, 127 items; Co. C, 173 items; Co. D, 128 items; Co. E, 122 items; Co. F, 112 items; Co. G, 130 items; Co. H, 125 items; Co. I, 99 items; Co. K, 118 items; and noncommissioned staff, 4 items. Brigade Band, 10 items. 7<sup>th</sup> Regiment: Co. A, 88 items; Co. B, 108 items; Co. C, 101 items; Co. D, 97 items; Co. E, 75 items; Co. F, 106 items; Co. G, 123 items; Co. H, 125 items; Co. I, 107 items; Co. K, 98 items; field and staff officers, 2 items; noncommissioned staff, 5 items. 8<sup>th</sup> Regiment: Co. A, 117 items; Co. B, 123 items; Co. C, 131 items; Co. D, 103 items; Co. E, 123 items; Co. F, 134 items; Co. G, 104 items; Co. H, 142 items; Co. I, 155 items; Co. K, 124 items; and noncommissioned staff, 3 items. 9<sup>th</sup> Regiment: Co. A, 140 items; Co. B, 128 items; Co. C, 131 items; Co. D, 130 items; Co. E, 113 items; Co. F, 109 items; Co. G, 89 items; Co. H, 121 items; Co. I, 85 items; Co. K, 116 items; and noncommissioned staff, 4 items. 10<sup>th</sup> Regiment: Co. A, 121 items; Co. B, 104 items; Co. C, 92 items; Co. D, 109 items; Co. E, 96 items; Co. F, 106 items; Co. G, 100 items; Co. H, 85 items; Co. I, 112 items; Co. K, 97 items; and noncommissioned staff, 4 items. 11<sup>th</sup> Regiment/1<sup>st</sup> Heavy Artillery: Co. A, 146 items; Co. B, 130 items; Co. C, 146 items; Co. D, 116 items; Co. E, 133 items; Co. F, 123 items; Co. G, 120 items; Co. H, 130 items; Co. I, 94 items; Co. K, 138 items; Co. L, 137 items; Co. M, 156 items; and noncommissioned staff, 3 items. 12<sup>th</sup> Regiment: Co. A, 53 items; Co. B, 44 items; Co. C, 71 items; Co. D, 66 items; Co. E, 67 items; Co. F, 51 items; Co. G, 53 items; Co. H, 66 items; Co. I, 54 items; Co. K, 45 items; field and staff officers, 1 item; and noncommissioned staff, 1 item. 13<sup>th</sup> Regiment: Co. A, 54 items; Co. B, 61 items; Co. C, 59 items; Co. D, 65 items; Co. E, 47 items; Co. F, 69 items; Co. G, 67 items; Co. H, 55 items; Co. I, 61 items; Co. K, 52 items; and noncommissioned staff, 2 items. 14<sup>th</sup> Regiment: Co. A, 65 items; Co. B, 56 items; Co. C, 66 items; Co. D, 61 items; Co. E, 54 items; Co. F, 60 items; Co. G, 44 items; Co. H, 41 items; Co. I, 52 items;

Brigade Band (10 items); 1<sup>st</sup> Cavalry Regiment<sup>15</sup>; Company F, 1<sup>st</sup> United States Sharpshooters (123 items); Companies E and H, 2<sup>nd</sup> United States Sharpshooters<sup>16</sup>; 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Batteries, Light Artillery<sup>17</sup>; Companies M and F, Frontier Cavalry<sup>18</sup>; 54<sup>th</sup> Massachusetts (Colored) (19 items); miscellaneous African American recruits (8 items); Hancock's First Corps (1 item); unassigned recruits (47 items); unassigned recruits deserting prior to service (2 items); and unidentified (2 items, surnames Brown and White).

Notes: Transferred from the Secretary of State, Howard E. Armstrong, on 15 January 1963. Ref: No. 6 Public Acts of 1861, Nos. 40-42 Public Acts of 1862, and No. 3 Public Acts of 1863.

**Office of the Adjutant and Inspector General, Portraits of Vermont Adjutants General, 1822-1967**

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 456

Microfilm: Reel F26197

Extent: Thirty-four items

Content:

Contains photographs and portraits (as well as Photostat copies thereof) of Vermont's Adjutants General, 1822-1967. Collection includes: Daniel Kellogg, Rockingham, 1822-1824 (3 items); Isaac Fletcher, Lyndon, 1824-1825 (2 items); Frederic W. Hopkins, Rutland, 1837-1852 (2 items); Lewis S. Partridge, Norwich, 1853-1854 (2 items); George Bradley Kellogg, Brattleboro, 1854-1859 (4 items); H. Henry Baxter, Rutland, 1859-1861 (2 items); Peter T. Washburn, Woodstock, 1861-1866 (3 items); William Wells, Burlington, 1866-1872 (2 items); James S. Peck, Montpelier, 1872-1881 (2 items); Theodore S. Peck, Burlington, 1881-1900 (2 items); William S. Gilmore, Fairlee, 1900-1910 (4 items); Lee S. Tillotson, St. Albans, 1910-1917 (2 items); Herbert T. Johnson, Bradford, 1917-1941 (1 item); Murdock A. Campbell, Northfield, 1941-1955 (1 item); Francis W. Billado, Burlington, 1955-13 September 1966 (1 item); and Reginald M. Cram, South Burlington, 14 September-4 December 1966 (acting) and 1 March 1967- 1981 (1 item). Includes a total of 20 portraits and 14 Photostat copies. There are some duplicates.

Notes: Transferred from the office of the Adjutant General on 29 April 1969.

**Office of the Adjutant and Inspector General, Photographs, 1863-1944**

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 455

Microfilm: Reel F26196

Extent: Eight items

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Co. K, 24 items; and noncommissioned staff, 3 items. 15<sup>th</sup> Regiment: Co. A, 56 items; Co. B, 69 items; Co. C, 40 items; Co. D, 31 items; Co. E, 63 items; Co. F, 59 items; Co. G, 44 items; Co. H, 43 items; Co. I, 53 items; Co. K, 56 items; and noncommissioned staff, 2 items. 16<sup>th</sup> Regiment: Co. A, 49 items; Co. B, 69 items; Co. C, 41 items; Co. D, 60 items; Co. E, 50 items; Co. F, 75 items; Co. G, 57 items; Co. H, 47 items; Co. I, 55 items; Co. K, 46 items; and noncommissioned staff, 2 items. 17<sup>th</sup> Regiment: Co. A, 89 items; Co. B, 74 items; Co. C, 36 items; Co. D, 42 items; Co. E, 49 items; Co. F, 47 items; Co. G, 64 items; Co. H, 33 items; Co. I, 51 items; and Co. K, 47 items.

<sup>15</sup> Co. A, 140 items; Co. B, 129 items; Co. C, 146 items; Co. D, 117 items; Co. E, 132 items; Co. F, 123 items; Co. G, 122 items; Co. H, 144 items; Co. I, 146 items; Co. K, 116 items; Co. L, 114 items; Co. M, 83 items; and noncommissioned staff, 3 items.

<sup>16</sup> Company E, 135 items, and Company H, 140 items.

<sup>17</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> Battery, 162 items; 2<sup>nd</sup> Battery, 274 items; and 3<sup>rd</sup> Battery, 158 items.

<sup>18</sup> Company M, 30 items, and Company F, 19 items.

Content:

Photograph, Colonel Edward H. Ripley (9<sup>th</sup> Regiment, Vermont Volunteer Infantry), Yorktown, VA, August 1863  
Photograph, officers, Vermont Home Guard, Northfield, VT, July 1917 (officers names listed)  
Photograph, U. S. prisoners of war, 20 April 1918  
Photograph, General Foch, Brattleboro, VT, 13 December 1921  
Photograph, Company E, Vermont State Guard, 30 May 1942 (2 copies)  
Photograph, Company E, Vermont State Guard, 31 May 1943. Photograph by Sgt. Roy W. Turner, endorsed to Captain Osmer.  
Photograph, Company G, First Battalion, Vermont State Guard (photographer: Gove, 1944)

Notes: Transferred from the Adjutant General's office on 17 December 1969.

**Office of the Adjutant and Inspector General, Published Reports and Orders, 1863-1948**

Record Series: PRA 433

Microfilm: Published material, not microfilmed

Extent: Seventeen items

Content:

*Report of the Adjutant & Inspector General of the State of Vermont, from November 1, 1862, to October 1, 1863* (Montpelier: Walton's Steam Printing Establishment, 1863) 106 pp.  
*Report of the Quarter-Master General of the State of Vermont, for the year ending October 1, 1863* (Montpelier: Freeman Printing Establishment, 1863) 56 pp.  
*Annual Report of the Quarter-Master General of the State of Vermont, for the year ending September 5, 1864* (Montpelier: Freeman Steam Printing Establishment, 1864) 38 pp.  
*General Order No. 5: Regulations for Completion of Organization of Companies of Militia and for Draft* (Montpelier: Walton's Steam Press, 1864) 15 pp.  
*General Order No. 12: Rules and Regulations for the Cavalry and Light Artillery of the Organized Militia* (Montpelier: Walton's Steam Printing Establishment, 1865) 14 pp.  
*Report of the Adjutant & Inspector General of the State of Vermont for 1868* (Montpelier: Polands' Steam Printing Establishment, 1868) 35 pp.  
*Annual Report of the Adjutant and Inspector General of the State of Vermont for 1869* (Montpelier: Freeman Steam Printing House and Bindery, 1869) 60 pp.  
*Annual Report of the Adjutant and Inspector General of the State of Vermont for 1870* (Montpelier: Freeman Printing House and Bindery, 1870) 15 pp.  
*Biennial Report of the Adjutant and Inspector General of the State of Vermont, October 1874* (Montpelier: Freeman Steam Printing House and Bindery, 1874) 49 pp.  
*Biennial Report of the Adjutant and Inspector General of the State of Vermont, for the two years ending July 31, 1876* (Rutland: Tuttle & Company, 1876) 24 pp.  
*Report of the Adjutant and Inspector General for 1887-88* (Rutland: The Tuttle Company, 1888) 40 pp.  
*Report of the Adjutant and Inspector General for 1891-92* (Rutland: The Tuttle Company, 1892) 48 pp.  
*Report of the Adjutant and Inspector General for 1893-94* (Rutland: The Tuttle Company, 1894) 68 pp.  
*Report of the Adjutant and Inspector General for 1895-96* (Rutland: The Tuttle Company, 1896) 63 pp.  
*Biennial Report of the Adjutant, Inspector and Quartermaster General of the State of Vermont for two years ending June 30, 1916* (Rutland: The Tuttle Company, 1916) 18 pp.  
*Biennial Report of the Adjutant, Inspector and Quartermaster General of the State of Vermont for the two years ending June 30, 1924* (Rutland: The Tuttle Company, 1924) 23 pp.

*Biennial Report of the Adjutant, Inspector and Quartermaster General of the State of Vermont for the two years ending June 30, 1948* (Burlington: Free Press Printing Co., [1948]) 80 pp.

Notes: Transferred from the Adjutant General's Office 17 December 1969. Duplicate material was weeded from this collection by The Vermont Military Records Project, 1999-2002.

**Office of the Adjutant and Inspector General, Page Proofs for Annual Report, 1866**

Record Series: Microfilm RA 453

Microfilm: Reel F26194

Extent: 106 pp.

Content:

Page proofs for the *Report of the Adjutant and Inspector General of the State of Vermont, from Oct. 1, 1865, to Oct. 1, 1866* (Montpelier: Walton's Steam Printing Establishment, 1866). Includes partial page proofs for Appendix B, Part I: roster of commissioned officers (of Civil War Vermont volunteer military units); Appendix B, Part II: alphabetical index to roster of commissioned officers; Appendix B, Part III: roster of Vermont volunteers mustered-out of the U.S. service between 1 October 1865 and 1 October 1866 (mainly the 7<sup>th</sup> Regiment); Appendix F: roster of militia officers (103 pp.); and miscellaneous corrections to the report and other records pertaining to its publication (3 pp.).

Notes: Transferred on 27 May 1988. The collection appears to have sustained water (perhaps flood) damage.

**Civil War Pensioners as of 1 January 1883**

Record Series: PRA 429

Microfilm: Published documents, not microfilmed

Extent: Twenty-three booklets

Content:

*List of pensioners on the roll, January 1, 1883; giving the name of each pensioner, the cause for which pensioned, the post-office address, the rate of pension per month, and the date of original allowance, as called for by Senate Resolution of December 8, 1882* (Washington: Government Printing Office, 1883). States represented include Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Dakota, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Indiana, Indian Territory, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin and Wyoming<sup>19</sup>. Booklets are organized alphabetically by county, then by post office. Each provides the number of the pension certificate, name of pensioner, post office address, cause for which pensioned, monthly rate and date of original allowance.

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<sup>19</sup> The District of Columbia, Alaska, Arizona, Dakota, Idaho, Indian Territory, Montana, New Mexico, Washington and Wyoming are together in one booklet; Rhode Island and Connecticut are together in one booklet; Tennessee and Kentucky are together in one booklet; Delaware and Maryland are together in one booklet; Mississippi, Louisiana, Texas, Florida and Arkansas are together in one booklet; North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Alabama are together in one booklet; Nebraska, Colorado, California, Oregon and Nevada are together in one booklet; and Virginia and West Virginia are together in one booklet. All other states are published individually.

Notes: Transferred 18 December 1969.

**Military Publications, 1863-1892**

Record Series: PRA 432

Microfilm: Published material, not microfilmed

Extent: Sixteen items

Content:

*Register of Commissioned Officers of the Vermont Volunteers in the Service of the United States* (Montpelier: Walton's Steam Press, [1863]). Published by the Adjutant and Inspector General's office, Woodstock, VT, 1 June 1863. 37 pp. This publication contains an alphabetical listing of officers and also lists casualties and resignations by regiment.

*Report of the Adjutant & Inspector General of the State of Vermont, from November 1, 1862, to October 1, 1863* (Montpelier: Walton's Steam Printing Establishment, 1863). 106 pp.

*Official Army Register for 1864*. Published by the Adjutant General's Office, Washington, DC, 1 January 1864, by order of the Secretary of War, in compliance with the Resolution of the Senate of December 13, 1815, and Resolutions of the House of Representatives dated February 1, 1830, and August 30, 1842. 154 pp.

State of Vermont, Adjutant & Inspector General's Office, Woodstock, VT, 30 July 1864: General Order No. 10. This Order pertains to raising 5,156 Vermonters for U. S. service under President Lincoln's 18 July 1864 call for 500,000 men. 2 pp.

*Report of the Adjutant & Inspector General of the State of Vermont, from October 1, 1863, to October 1, 1864* (Montpelier: Walton's Steam Press, 1864)

*An Act Organizing the Militia, approved Nov. 22, 1864* (Montpelier: Walton's Steam Press, 1864) 20 pp.

*General Order No. 5, Regulations for Completion of Organization of Companies of Militia and for Draft* (Montpelier: Walton's Steam Press, 1864) 15 pp.

*General Order No. 8, Rules and Regulations for the Enrolment of the Militia and the Government of the Organized Militia* (Montpelier: Walton's Steam Press, 1865) 73 pp.

*General Order No. 12, Rules and Regulations for the Cavalry and Light Artillery of the Organized Militia* (Montpelier: Walton's Stream Printing Establishment, 1865) 14 pp.

*Report of the Adjutant & Inspector General of the State of Vermont, from Oct. 1, 1864, to Oct. 1, 1865* (Montpelier: Walton's Steam Printing Establishment, 1865)

*Annual Report of the Surgeon General of the State of Vermont to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, October 6<sup>th</sup>, 1865* (Burlington: Free Press Print, 1865) 40 pp.

*Report of the Quarter-Master General of the State of Vermont, October 1, 1866* (Montpelier: Freeman Steam Printing Establishment, 1866) 77 pp.

*Report of the Adjutant & Inspector General of the State of Vermont, from Oct. 1, 1865, to Oct. 1, 1866* (Montpelier: Walton's Steam Printing Establishment, 1866)

*Tabular statement showing the amount due from the State of Vermont to soldiers in the late war for the suppression of the rebellion, March 20, 1873* (Montpelier: Freeman Steam Printing House and Bindery, 1873) 140 pp. "To be kept by town and county clerks to be referred to by any person." This publication is organized by regiment.

*The Service of Vermont Troops, an Oration before the Re-Union Society of Vermont Officers, in the Representatives' Hall, Montpelier, VT, November 2, 1882, by Lieut. Geo. Grenville Benedict* (Montpelier: Watchman and Journal Press, 1882) 31 pp.

*Revised Roster of Vermont Volunteers and Lists of Vermonters who served in the Army and Navy of the United States during the War of the Rebellion, 1861-1866*. Compiled by authority of the General Assembly under direction of Theodore S. Peck, Adjutant General (Montpelier: Press of the Watchman Publishing Company, 1892) 863 pp.

Notes: Transferred from the State Records Center to Archives on 22 November 1972.

**Publications of Various State Agencies (bulk), 1836-1921**

Record Series: PRA 434

Microfilm: Published material, not microfilmed

Extent: Forty-seven items

Content:

**Military material**

*Annual Report of the Surgeon General of the State of Vermont to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, October 6<sup>th</sup>, 1865* (Burlington: Free Press Print, 1865) 40 pp. (1 item)

*Tabular statement showing the amount due from the State of Vermont to soldiers in the late war for the suppression of the rebellion, March 20, 1873* (Montpelier: Freeman Steam Printing House and Bindery, 1873) 140 pp. "To be kept by town and county clerks to be referred to by any person." This publication is organized by regiment. (1 item)

**Other material**

*Journal of the Convention holden at Montpelier, on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of January A.D. 1836, agreeable to the Ordinance of the Council of Censors, made on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1835, together with the Amendments of the Constitution, as adopted by the Convention, and the whole of the Constitution of the State of Vermont as now in force, 1836* (1 item)

Journal of the Senate of Vermont, 1836 (1 item)

Circular of the Vermont Superintendent of Common Schools to county superintendents and an address to teachers of common schools, 1845 (1 item)

Annual report on the geology of Vermont, 1845 (1 item)

Annual reports of Vermont Superintendents of Common Schools/Education, 1846-1878 (7 items)

Journals of the Council of Censors, 1848-1849 and 1855-1856 (2 items)

*Catalogue of the principal officers of Vermont, as connected with its political history, from 1778 to 1851, with some biographical notices, &c.* by Leonard Deming, 1951 (1 item)

Abstract of the seventh (national) census, published in 1853 (1 item)

Report of the Bank Commissioners of Vermont for 1855 (1 item)

*Journal of the proceedings of the Constitutional Convention, assembled at Montpelier, on the first Wednesday of January 1857* (1 item)

Report of the Superintendent of the construction of the State House, 15 October 1857 (1 item)

Annual reports of the Secretary of the Vermont Board of Education, 1857-1858 (2 items)

Reports regarding the registration of births, marriages and deaths in Vermont, 1857 and 1858 (2 items)

Instructions regarding the registry and returns of births, marriages and deaths in Vermont, 1859 (1 item)

*Vermont School Journal and Family Visitor*, October 1859 (1 item)

Annual reports to the governor on the Vermont Reform School, 1865-1866 and 1866-1867 (2 items)

Annual reports of the University of Vermont and State Agricultural College, 1866 and 1867 (2 items)

Report of the Fish Commissioners of Vermont for 1867 (1 item)

Annual reports of the Insurance Commissioners of the State of Vermont, 1869 and 1870 (2 items)

Annual report of the Vermont State Board of Agriculture, Manufactures and Mining for 1872 (1 item)

Transactions of the Vermont Dairymen's Association for the year ending 27 October 1875 (1 item)

Compilation of the grand list laws of Vermont, 1875 (1 item)

Report of the Railroad Commissioners of Vermont for 1875-1876 (1 item)  
Report of the Interstate Commerce Commission of Vermont, 1 December 1887 (1 item)  
Report of the State Agricultural Experiment Station, 1887 (1 item)  
Annual reports of the State Board of Health, 1887 and 1888 (2 items)  
Reports of the Board of Library Commissioners, 1895-1896 and 1897-1898 (2 items)  
Report of the Vermont Cattle Commission, 1 July 1904-1 July 1906 (1 item)  
Map of Bunker Hill Burying Ground, Pomfret, VT, ca. 1913 (2 copies)  
Special report of the Vermont Water Resource Commission, 1921 (1 item)

Notes: Transferred as archival strays on 6 January 1970. Duplicates were weeded from the collection by The Vermont Military Records Project, 1999-2002.

### **Records of the Vermont Civil War Centennial Committee, 1957-1965**

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 461

Microfilm: Reels F26220-F26229

Extent: Six cubic feet

#### Content:

The Vermont Civil War Centennial Committee was inaugurated by Governor Johnson in the autumn of 1958 (appropriation established by Law No. 163 in the 45<sup>th</sup> Biennial Session, 1959). Responsibilities included planning Vermont's participation in centennial observances and coordinating plans with the programs of the national commission. The first meeting of the Committee was held in December of 1958. The Committee ceased operations on 30 June 1965.<sup>20</sup> Dr. Richard G. Wood, Director of the Vermont Historical Society, was appointed Chairman of the Vermont Committee as well as a member of the National Advisory Council. On the national level, the first executive director of the U. S. Civil War Centennial Commission was Karl S. Betts, with Major General Ulysses S. Grant III as its chairman. Officers of the national commission changed throughout its existence. James I. Robertson also served as executive director. The Vermont Civil War Centennial Committee produced one publication only, a short bibliography published in March 1961. In 1961, The Vermont Committee purchased from its funds the "Vermont at Gettysburg" painting by John D. Whiting (of New Haven, CT), depicting the 13<sup>th</sup> Vermont Volunteers. The painting was purchased for the State and was hung in the reception room of the State House in Montpelier.

### **Records of the National Civil War Centennial Commission (Washington, DC)**

Correspondence with officers of and bulletins issued by the national commission, 1957-1965 (181 items)

Records of national commission meetings, including agendas, programs, meeting reports, copies of speeches, etc., 1957-1965 (22 items)

Records of national assemblies and of joint meetings between state and national commissions, 1958-1965 (119 items)

Press releases of the U. S. Civil War Centennial Commission, 1958-1963 (51 items)

Monthly newsletter of the U. S. Commission, *100 Years After*, 1958-1965 (91 items)

Other publications of the U. S. Civil War Centennial Commission, 1958-1964 (14 items)

### **Records of the New England Civil War Centennial (Regional) Commission**

Records of New England regional conferences, including correspondence, conference agendas, programs, meeting reports, copies of speeches, etc., 1959-1964 (53 items)

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<sup>20</sup> Contrary to the policies of the national and other state governments, the Vermont legislature never constituted a *commission*, thus Vermont's representative centennial body always remained a *committee*.

Records of the New England Civil War Centennial (Regional) Conference held in Montpelier on 7 July 1862, sponsored by the Vermont Civil War Centennial Committee. Included are two audio recordings: 1) Dr. Albert B. Corey, a New York historian, "How the Local Historical Society can Commemorate the Civil War," and 2) Dr. Corey's talk continued, and the first part of a talk given by Professor Lewis D. Stilwell, Professor Emeritus at Dartmouth College, "A Typical New England Regiment: the War Experiences of the 'Fighting Fifth.'" (115 items)

### **Records of the Vermont Civil War Centennial Committee**

Correspondence:

General correspondence, primarily with members of state, county or local committees, also includes programs, etc., regarding various state commemorations and events, 1957-1965. (984 items)

Correspondence regarding requests for information on state centennial activities or on Vermont's role in the Civil War or for state centennial publications, 1959-1965 (744 items)

Correspondence regarding the microfilming program of the state committee, 1959-1965<sup>21</sup> (307 items)

Listing of negative Photostat or thermofax documents: 1) letter of Captain Samuel E. Burnham, Company E, 5<sup>th</sup> Vermont Volunteers, 21 July 1862, camp near James River, as published in the *Rutland Herald*, with letter of 16 October 1959 (1 item). 2) documents relating to Captain Wesley W. Connor, Company E, 25<sup>th</sup> New York Volunteers (resigned 31 January 1863), and his brother Servetus E. Conner, Company E, 16<sup>th</sup> Vermont Volunteers, both of Bennington, with letter of 16 January 1961 (4 items). 3) photograph of Captain George B. Conger of St. Albans, Company B, 1<sup>st</sup> Vermont Cavalry (1 item), with letter of 26 June 1963. 4) items related to the St. Albans Raid, including photographs and broadsides<sup>22</sup>, with letter of 28 July 1964 (6 items). 5) Two items relating to the Battle of Cedar Creek: a) positions of the 8<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> Vermont Regiments, and b) "List of some of the men in the picture of Cedar Creek," possibly duplicated for ceremonies to rededicate the painting of Cedar Creek at the State House in 1964. These items are filed at the end of the correspondence series relating to the microfilming program of the VCWCC. There are also thermofax copies of two letters: 1) A. B. Jewett, Company A, 1<sup>st</sup> Vermont Volunteers, to Bradford Scott of Swanton, 21 May 1861, and 2) William Patwin, 115<sup>th</sup> New York Volunteers, to Edward Wade of Swanton Falls regarding Patwin's mother in North Duxbury, 1 May 1865. These two letters may also be found at the end of the correspondence series relating to the microfilming program of the VCWCC.

Records of the state committee's microfilming program, including microfilm, Photostat and mimeograph requisitions, lists of microfilm produced and the microfilm targets used in filming, 1959-1965 (124 items)

Correspondence with and publications of other state commissions, 1958-1965<sup>23</sup>.

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<sup>21</sup> In cases where only a few items were presented to the committee for duplication, Dr. Woods opted to have them reproduced by negative Photostat or thermofax copies. See also letter from A. O. Aldis, St. Albans, to Jacob Collamer, 9 February 1865, bearing the endorsement of President Abraham Lincoln and Assistant Secretary of War Charles A. Dana. Photocopied in 1962. See letter of 12 April 1962 (containing copy of letter); Photostats for which no correspondence can be identified follow the correspondence series.

<sup>22</sup> Photograph of Bennett Young, 1864 photograph of St. Albans, illustration of the death of E. J. Morrison, illustration of the burning of the bridge at Sheldon, and two broadsides relating to the capture of the raiders.

<sup>23</sup> Alabama (2 items), Arizona (8 items), Arkansas (2 items), California (3 items), Connecticut (7 items), Delaware (3 items), District of Columbia (50 items, including a Lincoln inaugural centennial souvenir plate), Florida (56 items), Georgia (40 items), Illinois (14 items), Indiana (29 items), Iowa (3 items), Kentucky (13 items), Louisiana (15 items), Maine (2 items), Maryland (59 items), Massachusetts (56 items), Michigan (70 items), Minnesota (1 item), Mississippi (36 items), Missouri (4 items), New Hampshire (13 items), New Jersey (56 items), New York (47 items), North Carolina (85 items), Ohio (39 items), Oklahoma (43 items), Pennsylvania (49 items), Rhode Island (9 items), South Carolina (18 items),

Meeting agendas and minutes, 1958-1964, including an audio recording of a talk given by Professor Lewis D. Stilwell on the Battle of Antietam at the meeting of 15 September 1962 and an audio recording containing both the talk given by Dr. Roland C. McConnell at the commemoration of the Emancipation Proclamation on 16 January 1963 and of the ceremonies to rededicate the Cedar Creek painting in the State House on 19 October 1964. (60 items)

Press releases and news clippings, 1958-1965 (59 items)

Financial records, 1959-1965 (443 items)

Miscellaneous materials including: extra brochures or souvenirs pertaining to Vermont's centennial events; extra copies of the VCWCC's "Select Bibliography of the Civil War, 1861-1865;" listings of battles in which Vermonters participated, of Vermont Civil War regiments, of Vermont generals in the Civil War; and other material (21 items)

Vendor files, including advertisements, promotional materials, souvenirs, publications, etc., all relating to the Civil War centennial (337 items)

Other publications, including the Department of the Navy's *Civil War Naval Chronology, 1861-1865* (with correspondence pertaining to this publication, 1960-1965), and a 33-rpm record album, *Walt Disney Presents Great Moments with Mr. Lincoln*, among other miscellaneous publications. (23 items)

Notes: Transferred from the Vermont Civil War Centennial Committee, Richard G. Wood, on 22 April 1966.

### **Records of the Vermont Civil War Centennial Committee, Microfilm Collections, Civil War Era**

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 356

Microfilm: Reels F2845-F2850

Extent: Six reels of microfilm, 35mm (originals in private collections)

Content: (Described in detail below)

#### **Microfilm Reel F2845**

Note: The contents of this film represent Civil War letters, diaries and other papers in the hands of private owners. During the Civil War Centennial, 1961-1965, these individuals generously allowed the Public Records Division to microfilm their collections for the benefit of researchers.

In order of appearance on this film:

1) Letters of Charles W. Baker (1836-1863), Company C, 4<sup>th</sup> Iowa Infantry, to his uncle and cousins in Thetford, VT, January 1859-October 1863 [VCWCC Microfilm #8, filmed in 1960]

Baker was born and raised in Castleton. In 1851, his family moved west and Charles stayed with an uncle in Thetford. In 1858, Charles Baker moved to Guthrie Center, Iowa, where he taught school until his enlistment in 1861. Illness or duty in regimental hospitals prevented Baker from penning battle accounts other than general comments about various actions. Still, Baker is articulate and expresses strong anti-slavery sentiments. There is a sketch of the Mississippi River

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Tennessee (10 items), Texas (8 items), Virginia (201 items), West Virginia (9 items), and Wisconsin (6 items).

and of Vicksburg in his letter dated January 1863 [no day given]. Baker was wounded at the battle of Ringgold, GA, on 25 November 1863 and died two days later.

2) Letters of Alfred H. Batchelder (1845-1930), Companies G and I, 9<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry, to his mother, 1863-1865. A supplement includes more letters of Alfred H. Batchelder to his mother, February 1863-November 1864, and his “eagle” discharge certificate [VCWCC Microfilm #3, filmed in 1959]

Batchelder of Bradford enlisted on 18 June 1862 and was mustered-in a private soldier, Company G, on 9 July 1862. He was transferred to Company I on 1 June 1864 and was mustered-out on 13 June 1865. Notes included on the microfilm state that Batchelder was born in Topsham on 30 June 1845 and died in Bradford on 23 September 1930.

Until October 1864, Batchelder penned most of his letters from various hospitals.

Extracts:

- ❖ 29 January 1865: “I was down in the swamp the other day and the Johnes began to shel us a big two hundred shel struck clost to me and covered me all over with mud it did not hurt me any but it scart me some you would laughed to see me when I come out you could not see any thing but a heap of mud mooving about”
- ❖ From the supplemental letters, it is learned that Alfred’s mother wishes her son to simply tell the surgeon in charge that he, Alfred, was not yet fit to go south. Alfred replies, “you go and talk to the stone wall and it would do as much good you know as it does to talk to shoulder straps”

Notes: The Vermont Historical Society holds Batchelder's discharge certificate (Misc. 0067)

3) Bliss-Marsh papers, 1861-1865, including the letters of Warren Earl Bliss (1840-1930), Company G, 4<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry, to his family, 1861-1864, followed by letters to his friends, 1861-1862 [VCWCC Microfilm #29, filmed in 1963] Also see entry number 7 below and film F2849, #2 below, for Bliss’s 1863 diary.

Warren Earl Bliss appears in Peck’s published *Roster* as Earl Warren Bliss of Woodbury. Bliss enlisted on 4 September 1861 and was mustered-in a private soldier, Company G, 4<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry. He was promoted to corporal on 20 October 1862 and to sergeant on 4 November 1862. Bliss was wounded on 23 June 1864 and was transferred to the Veteran Reserve Corps. He was discharged on 1 July 1865.

The letters are somewhat out of chronological order on the film; for example, letter of 10 September 1861 follows letter of 6 August 1863 and letters of May 1864 come before April 1864.

Extracts:

- ❖ 7 January 1863, in letters to his family, Warren Earl Bliss writes his sister-in-law Sarah [Mrs. John B.] Bliss in East Calais, of Melvin Dwinell’s regiment having been just in front of the Vermonters at Fredericksburg.<sup>24</sup>

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<sup>24</sup> Melvin Dwinell (1825-1887) is an interesting character. Born and raised in East Calais, Dwinell was educated as a teacher at UVM. He left Vermont for Georgia in 1853 and became editor of a newspaper in Rome, GA. His pro-Confederate editorials were picked up and published by the *Burlington Free Press*,

- ❖ 3 November 1861, in letters to his friends, Bliss writes his friend Nellie from Camp Griffin, VA, that he wants to get to Richmond “to winter even if it does wear us some better wear out than rust out I believe.”

4) Letters of Edwin Ruthven Brush (1835/6-1908), Assistant Surgeon, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vermont Infantry, mainly to his wife, Amy, September 1863-December 1865. [VCWCC Microfilm #19, filmed in 1962]

Edwin Brush of Cambridge was drafted on 17 July 1863, was first mustered-in a private soldier, Company H, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vermont Infantry, and was re-mustered as Assistant Surgeon on 27 October 1863. Brush was mustered-out on 15 July 1865.

These letters were not filmed in order; for example, there are some December 1863 letters with those from December 1864 and many from June 1864 may be found with those of January 1865. Letters from the fall and winter of 1864 are nearly illegible.

Extracts:

- ❖ 18 October [1863], Brush describes visiting a cave within ten rods of his tent, “near Strasburgh” He also describes another cave nearby that he did not visit.
- ❖ 25 November [1863], near the Rappahannock River. After receiving a pair of gloves from his wife that many admired, Brush writes, “Our waserwom[an] Ms Tillotson says that you are better at picking out gloves than you are men.”
- ❖ 13 January 1864, near Brandy Station, VA: “some real kind hearted girls not a great ways from here hear where the boys have to go on picket and these cold nights rather than have the boys lay out in the cold, *they will take the boys rite into bed with them, and keep them warm all night for a quarter of a pound of coffee*”
- ❖ 16 January 1864, near Brandy Station, VA: “There was a weding out on the picket line the other day one of the sharp-shooters got hitched up to a North Carolina girl...”
- ❖ 21 June 1864, near Petersburg, VA: “There was a negro hung here yesterday for committing a *rape* on a white girl they hung him about ten o clock and let him hang until nearly sundown...”
- ❖ 27 July 1864, near Clarksville, MD. Brush writes than the regiment marched through Rockville, MD, “with colors flying and the bands playing which is something very unusual for us as we very seldom march after music except it be on brigade or some other review but yesterday and to-day we have had plenty by the brigad band and drum corps alternately”
- ❖ 25 October 1864, Strasburgh. Brush hopes his comrade will be transferred to Vermont’s Burlington hospital rather than the hospital in Brattleboro as Brush believes he (his friend) will receive better care in Burlington.
- ❖ 24 December 1864, Petersburg, VA. Brush speaks of Generals Sherman and Thomas “doing things up brown” and the jubilation in the Army of the Potomac over the recent successes of these two Generals.
- ❖ 20 March 1865, before Petersburg, VA: “My health is as good as could be expected *when there is a prospect of fighting which would naturally make one a little nervous*”

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where Dwinell was identified as a Vermonter. He served in the Rome Light Guards (8<sup>th</sup> Georgia) as an officer from 1861-1863. Following the war, Melvin Dwinell was elected to the Georgia legislature. He is buried in East Calais. See *Vermont History* (Volume 30, pp.220-237).

5) Letters of George and Samuel N. Fitch, Company C, 6<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry, to their family, 1861-1864 [VCWCC Microfilm #18, filmed in 1962]

Both George and Samuel Fitch of Windsor enlisted on 26 September 1861 and were mustered-in as private soldiers on 15 October 1861. Both were later promoted corporals. Samuel was wounded 5 May 1864 and was mustered-out on 28 October 1864. George was promoted to sergeant on 26 May 1864, was wounded on 3 June 1864, and was mustered-out on 28 October 1864.

Extracts:

- ❖ See letter from Benjamin S. Kendrick, Company E, 1<sup>st</sup> Vermont Infantry, to his cousin, Charles, 14 July 1861, regarding the Battle of Big Bethel.
- ❖ 9 November 1861, Samuel Fitch describes hardtack as “about as hard as a hemlock nut”
- ❖ 11 August 1864, letter from George, who had been wounded 3 June 1864, notes he had lost a leg.

6) Letters of Hiram Hodgkins, Company K, 13<sup>th</sup> Massachusetts Infantry, and Ephraim Giddings, 3<sup>rd</sup> Wisconsin Infantry, 1861-1864 [VCWCC Microfilm #7, filmed in 1960]

Corporal Hiram Hodgkins served in the “Westborough Rifles.” He wrote to his sister Eliza in Bakersfield, VT. Hodgkins served as Assistant Forage Master in the Quartermaster Dept., 2<sup>nd</sup> Division, 1<sup>st</sup> Corps. Included in this collection is a letter from Dennis Ward, Company B, 1<sup>st</sup> Vermont Cavalry, dated 23 March [1862?].

Ephraim Giddings wrote four letters to his brother, Dr. W. Harrison Giddings of Bakersfield.

7) Bliss-Marsh papers, 1861-1865. Letters of William Henry Harrison Marsh, Company G, 4<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry, to his stepmother and his sister, Elmira B. Marsh, in East Calais, 1861-1864 [See entry number 3 above]

William Marsh of Calais enlisted 3 September 1861 and was mustered-in a private soldier on 21 September 1861. He was promoted corporal on 4 November 1862. He reenlisted on 15 December 1863 and died 2 July 1864 of wounds received 5 May 1864.

Most of the letters are difficult to read and out of order (probably because most letters bear only the month and the day of the month)

Excerpt:

- ❖ There is a very interesting account of a big snowball fight, right wing versus left wing of the regiment, in the letter dated 26 March 1864 from Brandy Station, VA.

8) Morse Family letters, 1862 and 1864-1865 [VCWCC Microfilm #20, filmed in 1962]

This collection consists of thirteen letters by, to or concerning both Benjamin F. Morse of Elmore (enlisted 9 December 1861 and was mustered-in a sergeant, Company E, 8<sup>th</sup> Vermont Volunteers, on 18 February 1862. He was wounded 14 June 1863 and was mustered-out on 22 June 1864) and Benjamin F. Morse II of Woodbury (enlisted 9 December 1861 and was mustered-in a private soldier, Company E, 8<sup>th</sup> Vermont Volunteers, on 18 February 1862. He was wounded 4 September 1862 and was mustered-out on 22 June 1864).

9) Letters of Arza P. Noyes, Company H, 1<sup>st</sup> Vermont Cavalry, to his sister Mary, 1861-1862 and 1864 [VCWCC Microfilm #15, filmed in 1961]

Arza Noyes of Chittenden enlisted on 30 November 1863 and was mustered-in a private soldier on 26 December 1863. He was killed in action on 12 May 1864. There are no letters for 1863. Noyes had seen previous service in the 22<sup>nd</sup> New York Volunteers.

Excerpts:

- ❖ 19 January 1862, Upton Hill, VA. On exploring Alexandria, Noyes missed his train and had to walk the eight miles back to camp “with a good sized farm sticking to each foot...”
- ❖ 21 February 1862, Noyes refers to Chittenden as “Slab City.”

10) Letters of Darius D. Priest, Company I, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vermont Infantry, to his father, 1861-1865, and his hospital diary, 28 April-20 May 1863 [VCWCC Microfilm #14, filmed in 1961]

Darius Priest of Mt. Holly enlisted on 7 May 1861 and was mustered-in a private soldier on 20 June 1861. He was wounded 12 May 1864 and was mustered-out on 29 June 1864.

The collection also includes one letter from his brother, Sgt. Ethan Allen Priest (also of Company I, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vermont Infantry), 16 November [1862]. Darius Priest’s hospital diary was kept while he was hospitalized in Potomac Creek Station, VA. Priest claims he originally found the diary in a Rebel knapsack at the Battle of South Mountain (September 14, 1862).

11) Letters of Horatio N. Roberts, Company K, 15<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry, 1862-1863 [VCWCC Microfilm #26, filmed in 1963]

Horatio Roberts of St. Johnsbury enlisted on 28 August 1862 and was mustered-in as musician on 22 October 1862. He was mustered-out on 5 August 1863.

One letter is illegible.

12) Letters of Marshall St. Germain, Company B, 1<sup>st</sup> Vermont Cavalry, to “Friend Willy” (W. S. Soule) 1862-1863 [VCWCC Microfilm #12, filmed in 1961]

Marshall St. Germain of Fairfield enlisted on 20 September 1861 and was mustered-in a private soldier on 19 November 1861. He was taken prisoner on 4 March 1864, was paroled on 2 April 1865, and was mustered-out on 30 June 1865.

13) Letters of Thomas Ralph, Company A, 1<sup>st</sup> Vermont Cavalry, 1860-1864 (scattered dates) [VCWCC Microfilm #35, filmed in 1965]

Thomas Ralph of Shelburne enlisted 30 September 1861 and was mustered-in a private soldier on 19 November 1861. He was taken prisoner on 1 April 1863 and was paroled on 7 April 1863. Ralph was wounded on 13 June 1864 and died 7 October 1864 of wounds received 6 October 1864.

14) Letters of William Harrison Turner (1837-1905), Company H, 15<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry, 1862-1863 [VCWCC Microfilm #23, filmed in 1963]

William Turner of Coventry enlisted on 18 September 1862 and was mustered-in a private soldier on 22 October 1862. He was mustered-out on 5 August 1863.

Most of the letters are pale and difficult to read.

Excerpts:

- ❖ Initially, Turner found his Company full; however, the officers were happy to accept him because Turner was “large.”
- ❖ 5 November 1862, Camp Seward near Alexandria, VA. After writing about  $\frac{3}{4}$  of a sheet of paper, which he claimed took him 2 hours, Turner writes, “I cant make my pen shed ink.”

### **Microfilm Reel F2846**

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In order of appearance on film:

1) Papers of Page Ufford, Company K, 11<sup>th</sup> Vermont Regiment/1<sup>st</sup> Heavy Artillery, 1860-1865 (scattered dates) [VCWCC Microfilm #32, filmed in 1964]

Page Ufford of Fairfax enlisted 8 August 1862 and was mustered-in a private soldier on 1 September 1862. He was promoted to corporal on 28 December 1863, was taken prisoner on 23 June 1864, and was received for on 4 April 1865. Ufford was promoted sergeant on 30 April 1865 and was mustered-out on 18 May 1865.

Ufford’s Civil War letters run from April-September 1863 only.

2) Watts-Cheney letters, 1864-1865 [VCWCC Microfilm #33, filmed in 1964]

The collection contains letters by William Joseph Cheney of Stowe, Company D, 11<sup>th</sup> Regiment/1<sup>st</sup> Heavy Artillery [enlisted 7 August 1862, mustered-in a private soldier on 1 September 1862 and mustered-out 24 June 1865]; Chandler Watts II, of Stowe, Commissary Sergeant, Company E, 11<sup>th</sup> Regiment/1<sup>st</sup> Heavy Artillery [enlisted 7 August 1862; mustered-in a private soldier, Company E, on 1 September 1862; promoted to corporal 2 August 1863; promoted to sergeant on 1 January 1865; promoted to commissary sergeant on 12 June 1865; and mustered-out on 24 June 1865]; Edwin R. Cheney of Stowe, Company B, 4<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry [enlisted and mustered-in 29 February 1864 and mustered-out on 13 July 1865]; and George A. Cheney of Stowe, Company B, 4<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry [drafted and mustered-in on 17 July 1863; promoted corporal on 23 April 1865; mustered-out on 13 July 1865].

Chandler Watts later married Jane Louisa Cheney, sister of William J. Cheney.

This collection includes original source documents, typed transcripts and a genealogical chart.

Excerpts:

- ❖ Letter from Chandler Watts, 16 October 1864, Winchester, VA: “General Wright said the other morn that the Vt Brigade was the best Brig. that he had in his corpse that it could drive 3 times it[‘s] no. and where that Brigade could not go there was no use of trying to send men a good compiment [sic] for the Vermonters and it is a true one too and they are the worst ones to deal with to[o] they take every thing that comes in their way and sauce every one that they come across it makes no difference who it is.”
- ❖ Letter from W. J. Cheney to his sister Jane, 23 December 1864, near Petersburg, VA. That day he had seen eight deserters hung (bounty jumpers from the 5<sup>th</sup> New Hampshire): “some of the Johneys that were on picket spoke to our picket & told them they wished that we would send over the colors of the 5<sup>th</sup> NH & their officers for they had all their men & wanted to drill them...”
- ❖ Both Chandler Watts and W. J. Cheney comment about the heavy desertions from the 5<sup>th</sup> New Hampshire in late-1864.

3) Letters of William E. Woods, Company E, 13<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry, and Companies D, F and M, 1<sup>st</sup> Vermont Cavalry, 1862-1865 [VCWCC Microfilm #17, filmed in 1961]

William Woods of Cambridge enlisted on 8 September 1862 and was mustered-in on 10 October 1862. He was mustered-out on 21 July 1863. His letters with the 13<sup>th</sup> Regiment end on 24 June 1863. Woods enlisted in the 1<sup>st</sup> Vermont Cavalry on 31 December 1863 and was mustered into Company M a private soldier, on 12 January 1864. He was transferred to Company F as blacksmith on 24 November 1864. He was transferred to Company D on 21 June 1865 and was mustered-out on 9 August 1865. Many of the letters written during the summer of 1864 to his father were written in pencil and are difficult to read. Woods’s father died in 1864 and subsequent letters were addressed to his mother. There are typed transcriptions of the 1862 letters at the end of the series.

Excerpts:

- ❖ 10 October 1862, Company E, 13<sup>th</sup> Regiment, Camp Lincoln in Brattleboro. Upon being praised at their muster-in as “the best compny in the regt”: “we had to run about 10 rods as fast as our names was cald and Dar butler turnd 3 handsprings Deny dickson turnd a summerset and Orind Shandsprings and it tickled the curnel and the rest of the ofersers very much” (Woods frequently makes his “d’s” as “g’s”)
- ❖ 6 January 1865, 1<sup>st</sup> Vermont Cavalry, near Winchester: “...that is what is the mater with Hannah.”
- ❖ 5 February 1865, 1<sup>st</sup> Vermont Cavalry, Camp Russell, near Winchester. Woods’s mother had asked him if he perhaps wished he had waited until now to enlist (probably for the large bounties being offered): “no, Serree I had rather com out [for] nothing for three years than get blowed as thes one years pimps do.”
- ❖ 3 June 1865, 1<sup>st</sup> Vermont Cavalry, near Alexandria, VA. Woods mentions the day of the “big review” (probably by the Governor and other civil and military officials from Vermont). The Regiment had two flags presented to them, a U.S. flag with the name of the Regiment inscribed upon it in large gold letters and a Vermont state flag with the names of 22 battles in which they had participated also inscribed upon it in gold letters.

4) Miscellaneous Army and Navy letters, 1860-1865. Most of the letters were written to George H. Caswell of Milton [VCWCC Microfilm #16, filmed in 1961]

Contains:

- a) Letters of James E. Caswell of Milton. Caswell enlisted 15 May 1861 in the Marines and was discharged 19 May 1865. Many letters are from the Marine barracks at Charleston Navy Yard to his brother George.
- b) Letters of Henry W. Crown [?], June 1861, Fort Snelling, Minnesota.
- c) Letters of John O'Donnell [died 6 May 1862] of Milton, Company A, 5<sup>th</sup> Vermont Regiment
- d) Letter from Augustus H. Crown of Milton, Company D, 10<sup>th</sup> Vermont Regiment, 24 March 1863, from Camp Jewett, Maryland
- e) Letter from T. L. Hawley, no unit identification, to his father, 20 December 1863.
- f) Telegrams pertaining to the seizure of "Groome" (a clerk in the commissary department) and his papers at Newport News, VA, 1864. Telegram from Benjamin F. Butler, Major General commanding.

Excerpts:

- ❖ Letter from James E. Caswell, U. S. Frigate *Potomac* in Pensacola Bay, 31 December 1863. Caswell asks about the girls at home: "I hope that thare haint any more in the same fix as Miss Wheelock was a short time since wal if she will play with hot iron and burn herself she must sit on the blisters or any other Woman That's whats the matter She had no business to go for a Souldier"
- ❖ U. S. Military Telegraph envelope addressed to Captain James Spencer (20<sup>th</sup> New York Cavalry?) commanding post, Ft. Monroe, 24 and 25 April 1864: "Obey your orders and seize the papers" from Benjamin F. Butler, Major General commanding.

5) Morning reports, Company I, 9<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry, July 1862-May 1863 [VCWCC Microfilm #24, filmed in 1963]

6) "The Third Vermont Company of United States Sharpshooters: A History by Curtis Abbott" of Bethel, Company H, 2<sup>nd</sup> United States Sharpshooters. 102 pp. typescript [VCWCC Microfilm #2, filmed in 1960)

Curtis Abbott enlisted on 12 November 1861 and was mustered-in a private soldier on 31 December 1861. He was promoted corporal on 1 January 1863, later to sergeant, and to first sergeant on 1 November 1864. He was wounded in May of 1864 and was transferred to Company H, 4<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry, on 25 February 1865. Abbott was mustered-out on 13 July 1865. This account was apparently written after Abbott's term of service.

Excerpts:

- ❖ During the Mine Run campaign, Abbott relates that a staff officer observed "that the battalion of rifles seemed to stand exposure better than the other troops. He had visited some of the outposts and said that one of the picket reliefs displayed a piano, two or three large volumes of the poets, and a clock screwed to a pine tree whose pendulum was tallying the seconds in the open air."
- ❖ "Fresh troops are said to be giants in their first encounter, dwarves in their second, and veterans after."
- ❖ Abbott related that the contents of the sandbags used in fortifying defenses around Petersburg were continually being "shot into their [the sharpshooters'] eyes"
- ❖ Abbott speaks of a "certain number of target rifles" being carried by the 2<sup>nd</sup> USSS, usually two per company. When Abbott's company was transferred to Company H, 4<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry, those target rifles in the Vermont companies of USSS were assigned to General Getty's (Division commander) headquarters: "This detail included Daniel

Abbott, Oliver Bemis, and [Gary H.] Emerson, who were carrying the target rifles in Co. H”

7) “Jimmie Evans’s Camp-Fire, or 15 Months in Rebel Prisons,” 1863-1864. 33 pp. [VCWCC Microfilm #31, filmed in 1964]

Evans, a member of the 41<sup>st</sup> Ohio Infantry, was captured at the Battle of Chickamauga on 20 September 1863. His account describes his prison experiences. He was paroled in December of 1864. The memoirs were penned at a later date.

Notes: Property of Norwich University, Northfield, VT.

8) Memoirs of N. P. Perkins, 5<sup>th</sup> Maine Battery [VCWCC Microfilm #13, filmed in 1961]

Perkins was working in White River Jct. when the war began. As a minor lacking parental consent, Vermont and New Hampshire regiments were reluctant to allow him to enlist. The recruiting officer in Maine failed to ask questions of age, so Perkins enlisted in Bethel in the 5<sup>th</sup> Maine Battery on 23 October 1861. His account of his wounding at the Battle of Chancellorsville in May 1863 is interesting. Perkins’s leg was amputated. These memoirs were written after 1903 (typescript).

9) “A Sketch,” by Darwin E. Washburn, Company H, 7<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry, 1864-1865 [VCWCC Microfilm #25, filmed in 1963]

Darwin Washburn of Woodstock enlisted for one year and was mustered-in on 19 August 1864. He was mustered-out on 14 July 1865. It is unclear when the memoirs in this typescript were written.

### **Microfilm Reel F2847**

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In order of appearance on film:

1) Papers of Valentine G. Barney and Elisha Barney, 1861-1876 (described below)

Both Valentine and Elisha were sons of George Barney of Swanton.

a) Letters of Valentine G. Barney of Swanton (Company A, 1<sup>st</sup> Vermont Infantry; also of Company A, 9<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry; and Lt. Colonel, 9<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry) to his wife Maria, May 1861-June 1865. The letters are followed by Barney’s miscellaneous Civil War papers, 1861-1865, including commissions, orders, rolls and his discharge; followed by regimental records of the 9<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry, 1863-1865, consisting of orders, courts martial papers, etc.; followed by other Civil War papers, 1863-1865, including correspondence between Barney and Vermont officials, orders and communications from Colonel Ripley, recommendations for promotion, etc.

Valentine Barney enlisted in Company A, 1<sup>st</sup> Vermont Infantry, on 2 May 1861 and was mustered-in a sergeant on 9 May 1861. He was mustered-out of this unit on 15 August 1861. He

enlisted on 14 June 1862 and was commissioned Captain, Company A, 9<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry, the same day. He was commissioned Lieutenant Colonel of the 9<sup>th</sup> Vermont on 24 May 1863 and was mustered-out on 13 June 1865.

It should be noted that the letters of February 1864 were filmed in reverse chronological order.

Excerpts:

- ❖ Letter, 24 August 1862, near Winchester, VA. Barney had eight British soldiers in his Company (Co. A, 9<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry) who gave him quite a bit of trouble with their drinking and fighting. When Barney was called upon to detach ten men from his Company to work the large guns in the fort, Barney selected these eight men for the duty: “now I have got rid of them and I hope for ever...”
- ❖ Letter, 7 December 1862, Chicago. Barney notes a rat infestation with seventeen killed “in a few minutes.”
- ❖ Letter 18 January 1863, Camp Douglas. Barney is upset that so many from the regiment are enlisting in the Regular Army. The Regular Army, Barney claims, have a right to enlist ten men from each company; however, fifteen men from his company have already enlisted.
- ❖ Letter, 22 February 1863, Camp Douglas, Chicago, Barney writes his favorite song is “Brave Boys They.” Lyrics for the song may be found at the end of the letter series in miscellaneous papers
- ❖ 20 March 1863, Barney relays his thoughts on the expected promotion of E. H. Ripley to Major.
- ❖ By the letters it can be learned that Valentine Barney and his wife, Maria, were married 21 April 1857. Maria was born 30 November 1833 and seems to have been a native of Danby. Prior to her marriage to Barney, Maria taught school both in Clarendon and in Tinnmouth. Valentine Barney was born 26 August 1834.
- ❖ Letter, 2 December 1863, Newport Barracks, NC, Barney writes of the death of Major Jarvis, shot in the abdomen the day before at 3 PM and dying at about 10:30 PM.
- ❖ Letter, 6 December 1863, do., Barney noted that Colonel Ripley’s brother Charley was visiting, “a rattle headed young chap” who gave them plenty to laugh at.
- ❖ Letter, 6 April 1864, do., Barney notes that Colonel Ripley’s brother William is visiting and Barney likes him “much” and thinks he is “smart.”
- ❖ Letter, 18 May 1864, do., Barney received word in a letter from his wife the previous day of his brother Elisha’s death. Elisha Barney, Colonel of the 6<sup>th</sup> Vermont Regiment, was wounded 5 May 1864 during the Battle of the Wilderness and died 10 May from his injuries.
- ❖ Following the letter of 13 November 1864 is a one-page printed invitation to a “military reunion” for officers of Vermont regiments present in Vermont to dine and to testify to their respect for General George Stannard at the Pavilion Hotel in Montpelier, Thursday, 17 November 1864, at 3 PM. Fifteen Vermont officers are listed as having issued the invitation.
- ❖ Letter, 27 April 1865, Manchester, VA, Barney relays a dream he had that he had arrived home to find his wife “looking very poorly” (“old & wrinkled”) and “in the family way.” Valentine, surprised, asked why Maria had not written him about her condition. Maria replied that her husband had not been “careful enough when at home last fall” and that she did not want to trouble him. Barney writes, “I suppose the dream was caused by my bothering Dr Vincent about what he done when he was home He was home at the same time I was his wife had never had a child.”

b) Civil War diary of Elisha Barney of Swanton, Company K, 6<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry, and Colonel, 6<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry, 1 January 1862-19 April 1864. The diary is followed by a photograph of Barney, a copy of the title page to his hymn book inscribed, "Found in his pocket after he was shot in the battle of the Wilderness May 5<sup>th</sup> 1864," and sketches of a side view and floor plan of his tent and of his fireplace just at the entrance to the tent.

Elisha L. Barney (1832-1864) was commissioned Captain of Company K, 6<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry, on 15 October 1861. He was promoted to Major on 15 October 1862 and to Lt. Colonel on 18 December 1862. Barney was wounded on 14 September 1862. He was again wounded on 5 May 1864 and died of those wounds on 10 May 1864.

It is difficult to read the entries written in pencil

Excerpts:

- ❖ 14 September 1862, Elisha was wounded in the head at Burkittsville, MD, struck "just back of the temple on the right side." He was taken to the home of a Mr. Michael Weiner [?] and received good care. The Chaplain was with him. Barney left Burkittsville, MD, on 24 September, and started home to Vermont on the 26<sup>th</sup> of September.
- ❖ 14 October 1862, Barney notes he was married (to "Martha") that morning at 7:30 am. He left for Washington the same day.
- ❖ 20 May 1863, Barney writes of the presentation of a silver tea set to General Brooks by Colonel Grant (on behalf of the officers of the Vermont Brigade). He calls it an "interesting occasion Col Seaver & Stoughton quite tipsy."
- ❖ Barney's new wife visited him on several occasions, once in May of 1863 and again in August 1863 while the regiment was stationed in New York City. Mr. and Mrs. Barney boarded at 117 9<sup>th</sup> Street.
- ❖ 12 September 1863, Barney notes that a photograph of the regiment was taken that day in Kingston, NY [?].
- ❖ Barney was on recruiting duty in Vermont from 28 November 1863-28 January 1864.

Notes: Two collections of Barney manuscripts now belong to the Vermont Historical Society, including the materials described above. VHS Misc. 0060 contains sketches of the camps of the 9<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry at Yorktown, VA, and New Bern, NC. The sketch of the headquarters of the 9<sup>th</sup> Vermont at Yorktown was apparently drawn by a 16-year-old boy in Co. I [?], lately from France (see letter, Yorktown, 21 August 1863). Included is a cartoon, other papers relating to the 9<sup>th</sup> Vermont, and Elisha Barney's sketch of the position of the 6<sup>th</sup> Vermont. This collection also contains sketches and correspondence, 1869-1876, regarding a centrifugal sand pump. VHS MS 104 contains the Civil War letters of Valentine G. Barney to his wife, Maria. The VHS had this collection refilmed in 1997 (Microfilm: VHS 249 and Reel F19634 at Public Records). The VHS film contains a short typewritten introduction to the collections, probably created by VHS staff.

### **Microfilm Reel F2848**

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In order of appearance on film:

1) Correspondence of the Albert F. Dodge family, 1861-1865 (bulk)

Albert F. Dodge (1838-1914) of Barre enlisted in Company B, 10<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry, 28 July 1862. He was mustered a corporal on 1 September 1862. He was promoted to sergeant on 17 February 1863 and was discharged 21 March 1864 to accept the Captaincy of Company F, 39<sup>th</sup> U.S.C.T.

a) Letters to Albert Dodge from his sister Louise in Barre, 26 August 1861-9 October 1864. Also contains a few letters from his sister-in-law Ann Eliza Bacon and his mother, Lucy D. Dodge. Some of the letters pre-date Albert's enlistment and are written to him in Berlin, c/o Samuel Bosworth.

Excerpt:

- ❖ 6 November 1862: Albert's mother writes that this day would have been her 25<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary, that she and her husband had come to their home there in Barre on that same date. Lucy was a widow in 1862.

b) Letters to Albert Dodge from his mother, Lucy D. Dodge, 28 August 1862-22 January 1865. Also contains some letters from Albert's wife, Laura Bacon Dodge, his sister, Louise Dodge, and his maternal Aunt Mary Barlow Barber. Some of these letters are pale and difficult to read.

Excerpts:

- ❖ 7 December 1862, from Lucy D. Dodge, relates that yesterday was her 47<sup>th</sup> birthday. Also: "Abbie has been having rowe at home and Aunt Eliza cannot live there Uncle Wesley came to see if I would let her stay here a while Abbie is so ugly she will kill all the family yet she threatens to kill herself and children and last saturday undertook to hang herself it would yet be a blessed thing if she could be taken at her word it would save lotts of trouble."
- ❖ 28 December 1862-2 January 1863, from Lucy D. Dodge: "I want you should be more particular about your spelling you compose a letter pretty well but do not spell verry well"
- ❖ 16 June 1864 (Albert was now a Captain, 39<sup>th</sup> U.S.C.T.), from Lucy D. Dodge, notes that Emory Hooker was a nurse at Sloan Hospital in Montpelier, and that the hospital was expecting "some two hundred wounded soldiers on the ten o clock train" Lucy had a boarder named Whistler who seems to have been quite a talented violinist. She writes, "plenty of money is verry convenient and he has about eight thousand so much he gets with the Indian blood in his veins He is lame and deaf and needs and will enjoy his money as well as any one"
- ❖ 4 July 1864, from Lucy Dodge, "Mr Yale says the Montpelier hospital is the best one he ever saw"
- ❖ 10 September letter is filed as 1864, but probably dates from 1863 according to internal evidence. This letter encloses a letter from Alfred's Aunt Mary Barlow Barber, Lucy's sister.

c) Letters to Albert Dodge from his wife, Laura Bacon Dodge, 10 August 1862-26 February 1865. Also includes some letters from Albert's sister-in-law (Laura's sister) Ann Eliza Bacon. Many of the letters dating from mid-1864 are difficult to read.

Excerpts:

- ❖ 12 October 1862, Laura's brother, James Bacon, had written that he liked the Hagerstown, Maryland, area very much as it seemed "the most like Vermont of any place he has seen"
- ❖ 19 June 1864, Laura writes that 450 sick and wounded soldiers came to Montpelier the previous night, including 150 Maine "boys"

d) Miscellaneous letters to Albert and Laura Dodge from friends, relatives and comrades, 1855-1874. Correspondents include: Henry Dow, cousin Libby Martin, E. F. Cox, J. W. Nichols, Emma Morrison, Angie Wheeler, Eli H. Linton, James Bacon (Company F, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vermont Volunteers), Nelson Dodge (Company D, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vermont Volunteers), O. B. Read, Will Clark etc. Also includes a couple of letters from the wives of men serving in the 39<sup>th</sup> U.S.C.T.: J. Lindsay and H. Brogden, both of Baltimore, MD. The letters in this section are not in alphabetical or chronological order.

e) Letters to Laura Bacon Dodge, 1861-1865. Also includes some letters to Albert from various friends and relatives. Correspondents include: Hattie M. Sabin, Ann Eliza Bacon, Emma Morrison, etc.

f) Letters from Albert Dodge to his wife, Laura Bacon Dodge, 1862-September 1865. Many of the letters from June 1864 are difficult to read.

Excerpts:

- ❖ Albert notes his 23<sup>rd</sup> birthday on 23 September 1863.
- ❖ Albert joins the 39<sup>th</sup> U.S.C.T. in April of 1864
- ❖ 31 July 1864, Albert writes of the Battle of the Crater and his men's coolness during the action
- ❖ 23 October 1864, Laura's birthday is noted

g) Letters from James T. Bacon to his sister, Laura Bacon Dodge, 1861-July 1864. Some of the letters were written to James's other sister, Ann Eliza Bacon, to his mother, and to Albert Dodge. Few salutations were used.

James Bacon of Barre enlisted into Company F, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vermont Infantry, on 7 May 1861. He was mustered-in a corporal on 20 June 1861. Bacon was reduced to the ranks on 1 October 1861 and was later promoted to sergeant. He was wounded on 5 May 1864 and was mustered-out on 29 June 1864.

Excerpts:

- ❖ James was hospitalized in May 1863, shortly after the Battle of Chancellorsville. He was eventually sent to the hospital in Burlington, VT, where he stayed until December of 1863.
- ❖ James was wounded in the Battle of the Wilderness on 5 May 1864 and was sent to a hospital in Washington, DC. The ball hit him just above and behind his right ear, leaving a gash to the bone about 2 inches long.

Notes: See also VHS collection Misc. 0375 for other A. F. Dodge materials.

## Microfilm Reel F2849

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In order of appearance on film:

1) Diary of William C. Bacon, 1 May 1861-5 June 1870, with some earlier notations [VCWCC Microfilm #1, filmed in 1959]

Bacon, a civilian living on West Hill in Putney, records notes on planting, neighbors, farming and animal husbandry matters as well as financial accounts.

2) Diary of Warren Earl Bliss, Company G, 4<sup>th</sup> Vermont Volunteers, January-June 1863 [VCWCC Microfilm #29; See Bliss-Marsh Papers above] See also film F2845, #3 above, for letters of Warren Bliss.

Warren Earl Bliss appears in Peck's published roster as Earl Warren Bliss of Woodbury. Bliss enlisted on 4 September 1861 and was mustered-in a private soldier, Company G, 4<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry. He was promoted to corporal on 20 October 1862 and to sergeant on 4 November 1862. Bliss was wounded on 23 June 1864 and was transferred to the Veteran Reserve Corps. He was discharged on 1 July 1865.

Excerpt:

- ❖ 31 March 1863, notes "Editor of Irasburg Standard here"

Much of the diary is illegible.

3a) Diaries of Edward Bushnell of Bennington, Company E, 10<sup>th</sup> Vermont Volunteers, 1864 and 1865 [VCWCC Microfilm #37, filmed in 1965]

Edward Bushnell enlisted on 2 June 1862 and was mustered-in as sergeant, Company E, 10<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry, on 1 September 1862. He was promoted to commissary sergeant on 1 July 1864 and was mustered-out on 22 June 1865.

Bushnell provides many details of the men and officers of Company E (and of other Bennington soldiers), both during and after the war, including the dates of and ages at their respective deaths. Bushnell provides a very detailed account of the Overland and Shenandoah Valley Campaigns; however, at these times, Bushnell was serving as commissary sergeant and was often located in the wagon park at the rear. Following the war, Bushnell worked at the *Bennington Banner*.

Excerpts:

- ❖ Notes his 23<sup>rd</sup> birthday on 30 January 1864. He was born on Saturday, 30 January 1841
- ❖ On the page prior to 18 February 1864, Bushnell notes that Stephen T. White was discharged 22 January 1864 for imbecility.
- ❖ Some mentions throughout regarding his brother Homer, his sister Sybil and his cousins Alice, Sinai, Ida and Sybil.

- ❖ 10 November 1865, attends a lecture by Captain John Lonergan, “England in Ireland,” “The Fenian Brotherhood,” and “Ireland’s Independence.”

3b) Diary of John P. Harwood of Bennington, Company A, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vermont Volunteers, 31 May-29 June 1862 [VCWCC film as in 3a above]

John Harwood enlisted on 7 May 1861 and was mustered-in as sergeant on 20 June 1861. He was transferred to the Veteran Reserve Corps on 1 September 1863 and was discharged on 20 June 1864.

4) Commonplace book of Charles Chamberlin, ca.1848-1862 [VCWCC Microfilm #27, filmed in 1963]

Chamberlin, a civilian, was 21-years-old on 10 March 1848. He resided in Craftsbury or Irasburg. The book contains accounts, quotations, homeopathic recipes, and farming hints and lore. Chamberlin taught school 1844-1845, at age 17, in Craftsbury; 1845-1846 in Danville; 1846-1847 in Irasburg near Barton; 1847-1848 in Irasburg near Coventry; 1848-1849 in Greensboro near Craftsbury; 1850-1851 in Craftsbury. Chamberlin lists his pupils for each of these schools. Later, Chamberlin worked in Hartford, CT. He went to Albany, Georgia, to work in 1853 and left just days before Fort Sumter was fired upon in April 1861. If he saw military service, such experience is not recorded in this item.

Excerpts:

- ❖ 2 April 1862, Chamberlin marries Mary A. Pearson
- ❖ 5 May 1862, Chamberlin’s father dies

5) Daily journal of Albert B. Chandler (1840-1923), 1863 [VCWCC Microfilm #22, filmed in 1963]

Chandler, of West Randolph, was in the freight business in Manchester, PA (near Pittsburgh) when the journal opens. He had attended West Randolph Academy and left his home in Vermont in August of 1858. Chandler’s business was the transportation of grain and coal. He visits his brother William in Cleveland, OH, in mid-May 1863. William managed to procure a position for William as a cipher clerk in the War Department Telegraph Office in Washington, DC.<sup>25</sup> William arrived in Washington on June 1<sup>st</sup> and shortly thereafter began his work there. In the journal, William frequently mentions his boss, Major Eckert (usually referred to as “Mr.” Eckert), and co-workers: a Mr. Lynch, Mr. Emerick, Mr. Stewart, Charles A. (“Charlie”), and David Homer Bates (who Chandler always refers to as “Homer”). Initially, Chandler roomed with Bates and Tinker at the corner of 12<sup>th</sup> and G Streets. Later, he notes that Homer Bates was his roommate at Mrs. Danenhouers (with 15-16 other boarders) and that together they studied the “Geography of the Heavens.” “Homer is a good & smart young man.” He makes frequent note of visits by President Lincoln and Secretary of War Stanton.

Throughout the year, Albert often complained of not having enough to do. He spent a lot of time reading Charles Dickens. In his leisure time, he often played the flute, the piano or the melodeon.

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<sup>25</sup> For more information see David Homer Bates’s *Lincoln in the Telegraph Office* (New York: The Century Co., 1907). This book mentions Chandler several times and includes a May 1907 photograph of Chandler with coworkers C. Tinker, D. H. Bates and T. Eckert. Bates states that Chandler was Cashier and Cipher-operator at the War Department Telegraph Office from 1863 to 1866.

Albert Chandler often mentions his brothers Alonzo, Frank and William, and sisters Caroline (who had died), Susan, Emeline and Helen. Brother Frank worked at the Springfield (MA) Armory. Chandler also recorded poetry and song lyrics. Also recorded are the full texts of some telegrams and, in the rear of the volume, ciphers used. In the rear of the volume are sketches of Camel's Hump and Mount Mansfield as seen from College Hill in Burlington.

Excerpts:

- ❖ Writes of the Emancipation Proclamation and its effects in January
- ❖ 1 July: "Bates is a very nice fellow, -- different from most active & useful business young men, holding so good a position as he does, -- I mean that he is not all *dress*, & oaths & *style*, which unfortunately are failings of so many *smart* fellows of my acquaintance that I have come to associate *capable* fellows with some *crying* fault, -- But both Bates and Tinker are exceptions."
- ❖ 11 July: "Mr. Lincoln has been in the office very much of the time and seems very much *provoked* at the appearance of things in the vicinity of the armies -- He feels sure that the rebel army is escaping across the Potomac, and he cannot rest. -- Occasionally, as new dispatches come in he bursts out anew, in the expression of his Fears & censure of the inactivity & timidity of our leaders."
- ❖ 28 July: Gen'l Halleck *thanked me* this evening!"
- ❖ 29 July, Major Eckert was very kind to him and he liked his situation very much: "... I am sure it would be hard to find a more intelligent, capable, businesslike *set* of young men, with so good moral principles, as *our* [are?] these *cipher* men, Lynch Bates and Tinker ... I was introduced to Mr. Stanton's son this eve by Mr. S's private Secretary ..."
- ❖ 7 August, while Major Eckert and Mr. Tinker were at supper: "Mr. Lincoln came in ... with a message of 618 words for Gov. Seymour of New York, concerning the draft. He revised it at Mr. Eckert's desk & then asked me to sit by him while he read it so that I might understand it & see that it was properly transmitted. He read & explained the whole to me & then told me what a drafted Boston minister had said of the draft -- I am thankful to have the semi-traitor, Gov. Seymour answered as he is in this message."
- ❖ 13 August, Albert sees General Meade as he passes along the hall: "He's tall, rather slim, prominent Roman nose, mustache & wears a regulation cap"
- ❖ 20 August, his 23<sup>rd</sup> birthday
- ❖ 15 September, Albert goes home to Vermont on leave for several weeks
- ❖ 13 November: "Have laughed most heartily this evening listening to the conversation of the President, Assistant Sec'y Watson, Col. Stager and Major Eckert"
- ❖ 15 November: "Mr. Lincoln was in office & very *good natured*"
- ❖ 24 November: "Mr. Lincoln was in office tonight for an hour or more & I talked with him about as much as I ever have at one time. In looking over the map of Tennessee with him he showed me 'Big Pigeon River' which I had tried to find for him some weeks ago & which he remembered, tho I had forgotten it & he reminded me of his story which he told me at the time of 'Spankinaw bay' & 'Kit Bullard's Mill'! He is the oddest genius I ever saw. His memory is wonderful & his discretion in official matters, remarkable"
- ❖ 27 November, Albert has a brief but gratifying talk with Assistant Secretary of War Watson and puts a congratulatory message in cipher for him to Charles Dana: "Asst. Sec'y in the West, or rather, official reporter. The President is still unwell. Hope he will be out tomorrow."
- ❖ 4 December: "Mr. Stanton came in office this evening & talked with 'us boys,' Bates, Tinker & I, as kindly & pleasantly as if we had been good sensible boys. This country owes very much to his untiring zeal & excellent judgment"

- ❖ Many “Incidents” in the rear of the volume relay stories and anecdotes of Abraham Lincoln.

According to a letter from the National Archives, 14 May 1963, Chandler was employed as Operator, Cypher Clerk and Disbursing Clerk from 1 June 1863-31 December 1866. He was issued a certificate of military telegraph service by the Secretary of War on 14 April 1898.

According to the same letter, biographical and genealogical information may be found in *Who Was Who in America* (Chicago, 1942), Volume 1, p. 210. His New York Times obituary may be found in the 4 February 1923 issue (Section 1, Part 2, Page 5).

6) Diary of Mrs. George Cooke of Corinth, 25 December 1862-1864  
[VCWCC Microfilm #9, filmed in 1960]

The diary begins with 25 December 1862, in the back of the volume. Mrs. Cooke’s brief entries concern much local news of deaths, burials, illnesses, visitors, local travel, doctor’s visits, weather, homemaking tasks (sewing, preserving food, washing, cleaning, baking, ironing, etc.), planting and reaping, butchering, etc. Also included are recipes for cake and lemon pie and homeopathic remedies (such as for rheumatism), ointments, salves, etc.

Excerpts:

- ❖ 10 November 1863, Mrs. Cooke’s 55<sup>th</sup> birthday
- ❖ 22 February-28 March 1864, Mrs. Cooke was very ill and the progress of her recovery is recorded in another hand. Mrs. Cooke’s illness continued well into April 1864.

Notes: Part of this journal was published in the January 1957 issue of *Vermont History*. Mrs. Cooke’s diary is the property of the University of Vermont.

7) Diary of Charles Chandler Cowles of Wells, Company I, 1<sup>st</sup> Vermont Cavalry, 1864  
[VCWCC Microfilm #11, filmed in 1960]

Charles Cowles enlisted and was mustered-in a private soldier on 23 December 1863. He was taken prisoner along with about 50 comrades on 29 June 1864 near Stony Creek, VA. He arrived in Andersonville prison camp on 8 July. He notes his 22<sup>nd</sup> birthday on 14 October 1864. Cowles was paroled on 28 February 1865 and died of disease on 19 May 1865.

8) Diary of William Cunningham of Hardwick, Company D, 4<sup>th</sup> Vermont Volunteers, March 1862-February 1863 [VCWCC Microfilm #30, filmed in 1964]

William Cunningham enlisted on 3 September 1861 and was mustered-in a private soldier on 21 September 1861. He was promoted to corporal and later to sergeant on 12 March 1864. Cunningham was killed in action on 10 May 1864.

Much of the diary is difficult to read.

9) Journals of the Hon. James Davis (b.1783) of St. Albans, 27 January 1862-9 July 1865 (4 volumes) [VCWCC Microfilm #36, filmed in 1965]

The various volumes run: 27 January-2 October 1862, 3 October 1862-1 April 1863 (this volume also covers the winter of 1860-1861), 2 May-12 November 1864 and 13 November 1864-9 July

1865. The journals are indexed by Judge Davis. There is a brief biography at the beginning of the journals.

In the journal narratives, Davis provides his views on the writings of current and past theologians, and on sermons, essays and lectures. He also expresses in detail his opinions on current political issues, including the Civil War. Judge Davis also comments on the weather and provides local news, including deaths within the town. There are entries about the St. Albans Raid and the assassination of President Lincoln.

### **Microfilm Reel F2850**

Note: The contents of this film represent Civil War letters, diaries and other papers in the hands of private owners. During the Civil War Centennial, 1961-1965, these individuals generously allowed the Public Records Division to microfilm their collections for the benefit of researchers.

In order of appearance on film:

1) Diaries of Albert F. Dodge of Barre, 10<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry and 39<sup>th</sup> U.S.C.T., 1862-1863, and 1865. [VCWCC Microfilm #21, filmed in 1962]

Albert F. Dodge of Barre enlisted in Company B, 10<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry, 28 July 1862. He was mustered a corporal on 1 September 1862. He was promoted to sergeant on 17 February 1863 and was discharged 21 March 1864 to accept the Captaincy of Company F, 39<sup>th</sup> U.S.C.T. Prior to his enlistment, Dodge worked as a miller in Barre.

The diaries are very pale, making them difficult to read.

2) Diary of William C. Holman of Braintree, Company G, 9<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry, 1 January 1865-1 January 1866. [VCWCC Microfilm #10, filmed in 1960]

The diary begins with Holman in Asylum Prison, Columbia, SC. He had been captured on 2 February 1864 and had been imprisoned for eleven months before the diary begins. Holman was paroled on 28 February 1865 and reached Union lines on 1 March 1865. He was landed in Annapolis on 5 March 1865. Holman was furloughed home, rejoining his regiment in Richmond in April. He notes that he purchased the diary in Annapolis in March 1865, but the entries begin on January 1<sup>st</sup>; obviously, the entries were either written from memory or recopied from an earlier format.

3) Diaries and scrapbook of John J. Monahan (1841-1910) of Rutland, Company F, 1<sup>st</sup> United States Sharpshooters. [VCWCC Microfilm #5, filmed in 1960]

a) Scrapbook, 1864-1866, with entries into the 1890s.

The newspaper clippings contained in this scrapbook have been pasted onto 1862-1863 clothing accounts of Company A, 12<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry. Clippings pertain to the Fenian Invasion of Canada in 1866; the Fenian Brotherhood and the Hibernian Society; Civil War and other poetry; the St. Albans Raid; local, state and national elections and other political items; Civil War battles and campaigns; the Confederate veterans' home; emigration/immigration; slavery; St. Patrick's Day; war monument dedications; death notices and obituaries (Corporal Charles B. Mead), etc. The clippings are generally unidentified but seem to come from both state and national newspapers, as well as newspapers with a focus on Irish issues. There are clippings of letters

apparently sent to newspapers by John J. Monahan (or Monaghan) during his Civil War service (18 December 1862, 8 August 1863 and 29 August 1864).

b) Diaries, 1862-1863

John J. Monahan enlisted 12 August 1862 and was mustered-in on 20 September 1862. He was wounded (in the heel) on 4 May 1863 and was transferred to the Veteran Reserve Corps on 20 November 1863 (serving mainly in Burlington, VT). Monahan was mustered-out of the service on 18 July 1865.

Monahan seems to have been a student in Rutland as the diary opens. He spent much time reading law books. At some point, the original pencil notations of the diary were overwritten in ink, making the text difficult to read.

Excerpt:

- ❖ May 2, 1863, in “Memoranda” section at rear of volume: “the boys are rather sober; & well they may be for there is firing on every side. some of us may never leave these heights. God direct us right. we are in line of battle”

4) Papers and diaries of James Pollard of Ludlow, Company A, 93<sup>rd</sup> New York Infantry, and Company G, 17<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry, 1859-1865 [VCWCC Microfilm #34, filmed in 1964]

James Pollard enlisted 3 September 1861 and was mustered into Company A, 93<sup>rd</sup> New York Infantry, on 16 October 1861. He was discharged for disability from this unit on 7 February 1863. The 93<sup>rd</sup> New York was primarily raised near Stoney Creek, Warren County, New York. After about May 1862, Pollard spent little time with his regiment. Pollard enlisted 24 September 1863 and was mustered-in a corporal, Company G, 17<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry, on 12 April 1864. He was wounded 12 May 1864 through the back of the neck and was discharged for wounds on 4 January 1865.

a) Diaries, 1859, 1862, 1864-1865

Pollard went to Burlington in February 1864 to join the 17<sup>th</sup> Vermont in camp.

Excerpts:

- ❖ 17 April 1864, James noted that a man named Sweeney had been bayoneted by the guard that evening and died.
- ❖ 12 May 1864, Spotsylvania, VA. James Pollard was wounded, but “killed 6 rebel colour bearers before I was wounded. that is, they fell when I fired a red flag with black border a round it and a black stripe corner ways crossing in the middle” Pollard was taken first to Fredericksburg, then to Stanton General Hospital in Washington, DC. Later, he was transferred to the hospital at Fort Schuyler in New York City. Although he rejoined his regiment in September of 1864, within a few days he is once again admitted to the division hospital at Fort Davis, in front of Petersburg, VA. He would leave Fort Davis on 6 January 1865, two days after his discharge.

b) Miscellaneous papers, 1862-1865

These papers include Pollard's descriptive list from the 93<sup>rd</sup> New York and his discharges from both the 93<sup>rd</sup> New York and the 17<sup>th</sup> Vermont. Also included are letters written to Jenny Whitney (Pollard's future wife) from her brother R. Elmore Whitney of Ludlow (Company H, 10<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry), 1862-1863. Elmore Whitney was killed in action on 27 November 1863.

Excerpts:

- ❖ 2 June 1863, letter from R. Elmore Whitney, who was hospitalized in Washington, DC, describes a visit by President Lincoln.
- ❖ 28 November 1863, letter to Jenny Whitney from Lt. Salmon Perham regarding Elmore's death. He was shot in the head while in action and died instantly.

5) Diaries of Elbridge W. Prior (b.1840) of Plymouth, Company I, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vermont Infantry, 1862-1864 [VCWCC Microfilm #6, filmed in 1960]

Elbridge Prior, from "Tyson Furnace," enlisted on 11 May 1861 and was mustered-in on 20 June 1861. He was wounded on 3 May 1863 and again on 5 May 1864. Prior was promoted corporal on 8 January 1863 and was mustered-out on 29 June 1864

Excerpts:

- ❖ 3 January 1862: "Brigade Drill Double Quick after the tune of (Pop goes the Weazel)"
- ❖ 1 July 1862: "Got Shelled good (got scared)"
- ❖ 16 August 1862: "16 Vermonters are left beside the church to rest in peace" (Upon leaving Harrison's Landing)
- ❖ 2 January 1863, Prior writes about the various landings that comprise Belle Plain Landing, situated on the south bank of Potomac Creek near its mouth. One landing was for forage, the middle landing was for commissary stores, and the lower landing was reserved for quartermaster stores.
- ❖ 6 February 1863: Company I had a "prize fight" between Holmes of Reading and Richardson of Londonderry.
- ❖ 13 March 1863 was Prior's 23<sup>rd</sup> birthday.
- ❖ 16 March 1863: "*Capt Hope is Sketching*" Captain James Hope, the well-known Civil War artist, had resigned on 20 December 1862; he obviously had not left the Vermont Brigade yet. The Brigade was in camp near White Oak Church, VA.
- ❖ 19 March 1863: "I have Read a good many novels of late I think it makes me more nervous"
- ❖ 15 April 1863, Prior's regiment received their white crosses (2<sup>nd</sup> Division, VI Corps badge).
- ❖ 3 May 1863: "I am Sick & cant Eat Anything the Ball is Opened and we are Formed Ready for Action our Regt detailed to Charge the Heights it will be a Sad Job for us I fear We have done it but not without loss we were the first Regt on the Heights we captured Forts [?] and guns & Prisoners I am Wounded in the thigh Philip [Philip W. Crosby?] is Killed such Bravery I never saw before" Prior was taken first to a field hospital in Fredericksburg and then to Judiciary Square Hospital in Washington, DC
- ❖ 8 May 1863: "Gov Holbrooks Son came to see me he says I am going to Vt soon" Prior is referring to State Agent and Hospital Commissioner Frank F. Holbrook, stationed in Washington.
- ❖ 12 May 1863: "we have curious creature here some call him a Fool but he is far from a fool I never saw the likes of him before" This makes one wonder if perhaps Prior is referring to the poet Walt Whitman, or simply another patient.

- ❖ Prior was sent to Vermont on 20 May 1863. He rejoined his regiment at Poughkeepsie, NY, in September 1863.
- ❖ 25 February 1864: “How the boys hate Col Grant...”
- ❖ 27 April 1864, Prior refers to Col. Lewis A. Grant as “Aunt Liddy”
- ❖ 5 May 1864, Prior is wounded in the foot. He is taken first to Baptist Church Hospital in Alexandria, then to Philadelphia. He arrived at Sloan Hospital in Montpelier on 18 June 1864
- ❖ 22 June 1864, Sloan Hospital, Montpelier: “The little school girls or babies came up from the village in a crowd and give us some pretty good music they were so small and looked so cunning I almost split laughing”
- ❖ Prior was mustered out and returned home on 30 June 1864.

### **The Civil War Letters of Edgar Pitkin, 1861-1865**

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 462

Microfilm: Reel F4986

Extent: One reel of microfilm, 35mm (originals in private collection)

#### Content:

Civil War letters of Edgar Pitkin of Winchendon, MA, and Burlington, VT, from his enlistment in 1861 to his death 19 February 1865. Also contains newspaper clippings (obituaries, etc.) and correspondence of other members of the Pitkin family, including pre-war letters from Edgar Pitkin. The family correspondence begins in 1855 and extends to about 1865. Some of the Pitkin family resided in Winchendon, MA. This is a very rich collection of letters from an interesting, articulate and affectionate family.

Edgar Pitkin enlisted on 2 May 1861 and was mustered-in as sergeant, Company H, 1<sup>st</sup> Vermont Volunteers, on 9 May 1861. He was mustered-out of this three-month unit on 15 August 1861. Pitkin was appointed Adjutant, 1<sup>st</sup> Vermont Cavalry, on 11 September 1861. He was mustered-out on 10 September 1862. Following his muster-out, Edgar Pitkin accepted a clerkship in the Register’s Office of the Treasury Department. In April of 1864, he enlisted as a private in the 1<sup>st</sup> U. S. Cavalry and rose to the rank of sergeant before his death on 19 February 1865 at Camp Remount, MD.

Some attempt was made at a chronological arrangement, but the letters are quite out of order.

Notes: This is a restricted collection and is not to be reproduced without the permission of the owner of the originals, Edgar Pitkin Wyman, North Sandwich, NH, or Dorothy Wyman Kirk of Rutland, VT. The collection was microfilmed in 1974.

### **Union Soldiers Buried at Andersonville, 1864-1865**

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 286

Microfilm: Reel F9247

Extent: One reel, 35 mm (original not owned by Public Records)

#### Content:

From *A List of Union Soldiers Buried at Andersonville, Copied from the Official Record in the Surgeon's Office at Andersonville* by Dorence Atwater (New York: Tribune Association, 1890). Contains a report by Clara Barton. Listing provides the name of soldier, grave number, soldier's company and regiment, date of death and cause of death. Organized alphabetically by state, then by name of soldier. In addition to listings by state, there are listings for the U. S. Army and the

U.S. Navy as well as listings of the grave numbers of unknown soldiers. Vermont listings are on pp. 64-65.

Notes: Transferred to Public Records in July 1987

## VERMONT NATIONAL GUARD

### Vermont National Guard, First Regiment, Record of Rifle Practice, 1890-1902

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 426

Microfilm: Reel F26199

Extent: One volume

#### Content:

This volume contains records of rifle practices from 1890-1894. Typically each company was represented by a team of five shooters (whose names, ranks and companies are recorded). The team with the highest combined score won first place and individuals with the three highest scores received first, second and third places. These competitions seem to have involved twenty-five shots per contestant at 200 yards. The names, locations and dates of the competition are recorded (i.e. Washington Centennial Trophy in 1890) and each competition is certified by an officer. The volume also contains marksmanship awards, 1890-1891, in which contestants were scored at 200, 300, 500 and 600 yards, resulting in various classifications: third class marksman, second class marksman, first class marksman, marksman, sharpshooter and expert. Remarks generally include the date the award was issued and the date when requalification would be required. Revolver qualifications were also held in 1901 at twenty-five to fifty yards. Finally, this volume also records requisitions for ordnance stores, 1895-1902. The following indices may be found at the beginning of the volume: index to ordnance requisitions (Companies A-F, I-M); index to second class marksmen, 1891-1895; index to first class marksmen, 1890 and 1892; index of marksmen, 1890; index to sharpshooters, 1890, 1892-1895; and index to trophy contests, 1890-1895

Notes: Transferred 14 November 1967 from the Adjutant General's office.

### Vermont National Guard, Company H, Vermont State Guard, 1942-1944

Record Series: PRA 383

Microfilm: Not microfilmed

Extent: One filmstrip (color; ca. 1,000 feet) and one videotape (VHS), both ca.31 minutes

#### Content:

From information filed with filmstrip: "This film was made up of scenes taken with Vermont Department of Agriculture equipment depicting activities of the Vermont State Guard. Company H of Montpelier, of which the then Deputy Commissioner of Agriculture, R. S. Going, was first Captain, naturally figures largely in the shots. A large part of the filming was done by H. L. Bailey with several of the later shots having been taken by Mr. Going and by George Eaton. Two scenic shots without direct application to the Guard were included for decorative purposes, though one -- that showing the red sky -- is remindful of the all-year-round daylight saving rule which prevailed during part of the war period. This sunrise scene was taken from an east window of the Old State Office Building on a winter morning after office opening. The mountain scene was of the White Mountains in New Hampshire from Lunenburg Heights in Vermont, showing also the wide bend of the Connecticut River. In the sesquicentennial parade special attempt was made to show Company H both approaching and leaving the State House grounds. The tactical area shown with mapping operations going on was north of the Wrightsville Dam where the Company frequently carried on Sunday maneuvers. The airport scenes were at the Barre-Montpelier field. Titles give a key to most of the scenes." Also depicted in the film are the Tunbridge encampment of the Vermont Home Guard in July of 1944; four members of Company H leaving for induction into federal service; and British Ambassador Lord Halifax's visit to

Vermont as part of a war bond drive. Company training and/or maneuvers include compass training, camouflage/concealment training, close-order drill, attack/defense training and gas mask training.

Notes: Transferred from the Department of Agriculture in 1962. Filmstrip formatted to VHS by Vermont Public Television in 2001.

**Vermont National Guard, Personnel Records for Officers of the Vermont State Guard, World War II-era (bulk)**

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 427

Microfilm: Reels F26177-F26179

Extent: One cubic foot

Content:

Personnel files and index cards containing information on officers that served in the Vermont State Guard during World War II. Personnel files may contain applications for commissions as a State Guard officer, resignations, correspondence, certificates of commission, oaths of office, service records, physical examination forms and special orders pertaining to newly commissioned officers, assignments, promotions, resignations, etc. Both the index cards and the personnel files may contain officer's name, date and place of birth, rank and service history, address, employment record, marital status and number of dependents (including names of wife and/or dependents), educational history, etc. (252 index cards and 265 officers' files) Both files and cards are arranged alphabetically. Officers included in the series: Adams, Chauncey Allen; Adams, John Paige, Jr.; Alexander, Harris Woodward; Angell, Henry Othello; Atherton, Frederick Burton; Austin, Albert Murray; Bacon, Arthur Oliva; Bahan, Carlton Cyrus; Barney, Frank LeRoy; Barrett, Carroll Danforth; Barsalow, William Edward; Bashaw, Ernest William; Bassett, Alcide Joseph; Beattie, James A.; Beattie, Orrin H.; Bellrose, Alberic H.; Bemis, Waldo Simeon; Bennett, Carroll Fred; Bigelow, James Edward; Birmingham, Fred; Bixby, Gerald Adams; Bly, Edward Beach; Bonnett, Frank Edmond; Borcuk, Peter John; Boyd, Leon H.; Bresette, Elwin Lawson; Britain, Eric R.; Britch, William Zernal; Broome, Thomas; Brouillette, Maxime Francis; Brown, William Frank; Browne, Randolph Morton; Bugbee, Ralph Josiah; Bugbee, Willard Adin; Burgess, Frederick Vaughn; Cairnie, Harold; Campbell, Clarence S.; Canfield, John Kenneth; Carpenter, Ernest Ray; Carpenter, Neal Warren; Carroll, Dennis James; Carter, James D.; Carter, James Joseph; Carter, William Ambrose; Carty, Donald William; Casey, Edward James; Cenci, Ateo A.; Center, Daniel Edward; Cerasoli, Michael Florindo; Chadwick, Harold H.; Chaffee, Newman Keyes, Jr.; Chase, Everett Kimball; Cheney, Earl E.; Cheney, Stewart; Churchill, Francis Raymond; Clark, Arnold Earl; Clark, Douglas Graeme; Clark, Richard Greenwood; Clayton, Kenneth Randall; Clifford, Allen Comfort; Cochran, Ralph Pillsbury; Colburn, Elbert Brown; Collins, Harold Milford; Connor, Thomas Henry; Cootey, John Lawrence; Cootey, Sherwin Aldrich; Copps, Edward Michael; Corey, Richard Truell; Corsones, Gus George; Costine, Robert Alexander; Crafts, Leslie J.; Cummings, Langdon Sumner; Curtis, Clarence Leroy; Cutting, Harry N.; Damon, Melvin Hiram; Davenport, Ernest Paul; Dean, Louis A.; Dennis, James Shepard; Dewey, William Tarbox; Donahue, Dale R.; Donahue, Timothy M.; Douglas, Howard William; Drown, Arthur William; Drysdale, Alexander Best Robert; Duffy, Paul Joseph; Dunghi, Mario Louis; Easton, Daniel Chace; Edmunds, Arnold Wadsworth; Edwards, Ivan Earle; Eldredge, James Edward; Elliott, Arthur Benjamin; Elmer, Leslie E.; Emerson, Clare High; Farnham, Dean Elmer; Fayette, Frederick Joseph; Field, William; Fitzgerald, Robert George; Flinn, Clyde Hartley; Forrest, Albert Parmlee; Forrest, Harold; French, Edward Robert; Gaidys, William John; Gale, Roy Lyon; Gauthier, Laurence William; Gay, Leon Stearns, Jr.; Gee, William Elbert; Gennett, Leon George; Gibbs, Harry Howard; Giffin, LeRoy Edward; Gignac, Maurice Joseph; Gilbert, Alonzo E.; Gilbert, Lawrence George;

Gilman, Paul Arthur; Gobie, Harold A.; Going, Russell Sturtevant; Golec, Albert Henry; Golec, Charles John; Goodrich, Charles A.; Gough, Curtis Harrington; Gould, Leonidas G.; Graham, Clifford Baldwin; Gray, Harvey Samuel; Green, Arthur Roy Eric; Greene, Haven Vernon; Grimshaw, Norman Stockwell; Guazzoni, Geno Luigi; Hamilton, James Elihu; Hammond, Weston Chadwick; Hancock, John Ellsworth; Hannon, Patrick Thomas; Harned, James Bygrave; Harris, Perley Scott; Harvey, George Louis; Harwood, Harold Smith; Hawkins, Herbert; Hayden, Robert C.; Heinel, Fred P.; Herbert, Allen Daniel; Higgon, Byron E.; Hill, Donald Hovey; Hodet, Joseph Edwin; Holland, Hilton Costello; Holmes, Clarence John; Honney, Clarence Rollie; Hovey, Ralph K.; Imperiale, Meyer; Isham, Richard Robert; Jacobs, Fay Gilbert; Jennett, Kenneth William; Johnston, Francis Edward; Joslyn, Maurice B.; Joyce, Robert Francis; Judd, Robert Wilbur; Karnedy, John G.; Kastenbein, Clarence Ernest; Kearney, George Vincent; Kelley, Donald C.; Kendrick, Jack Boyce; Kent, Edward William; Kimball, Ray C.; Kjellerup, Robert Nicolai; Klinedub, Walter John; Knapp, James Edward; Knickerbocker, Charles W.; Lance, Robert Cushman; Laskey, Pearl Hugh; Lavertu, Joseph Leon; Lawrence, Carl M.; Ledden, Hermon B.; Lemnah, Kenneth Howard; Levasseur, Richard Joseph; Lewis, Robert King; Little, Charles Russell; Littler, Charles Henry; Lizotte, Edward Emile; Loiselle, J. Leo; Longmoore, Jutten Allen; Lunn, Verle Nelson; MacAndrew, Charles Edward; McClary, Andrew Bishop; McDill, John Harcourt; MacFarlane, Pearly Arthur; Magnus, Eugene William; Manley, Walter Gurden; Manning, Gerald Vanness; Marro, Frank Henry; Mayette, James Flemming; Maynard, Clarence L.; Menut, William Gerald; Merrill, Leon Foss; Miller, William H.; Moody, Paul Dwight; Morency, Alcide Rosario; Morrison, Kenneth Henry; Morse, Louis Lincoln; Morse, Robert Gleason; Morse, Theron Winch; Murray, John Norman; Needham, William Benjamin; Nichols, William K.; Ogden, Merton Miles; Osgood, Richard Edison; Osmer, Norris R.; Page, Philip P.; Palmer, Ray Henry; Parker, Oliver George; Parker, Raymond Ernest; Parker, Russell Morton; Patten, Frank James; Perry, Wilfred Joseph; Pierce, Cedric Errol; Pierce, Robert Kenneth; Piette, Gilbert Alphonse; Pike, Elmer Waters; Place, Francis Edwin; Plumb, Harry Austin; Plumley, Fletcher D. P.; Pratt, Raymond Alfonso; Racine, Joseph Alfred; Raine, Leo William; Reed, Hugh Elmer; Richardson, George Bean; Rising, Charles Seth; Roberts, John William; Roberts, Peter James; Rothchild, Daniel; Ruskin, Abraham; Ryan, James Patrick; Rye, George Harley; St. Peter, Ernest Nelson; Salman, Harry Bennett; Sandall, Lionel; Schnoski, Wallace Charles; Seaver, Hillard G.; Seguin, Albert John; Shangraw, Percival Lee; Shepard, Oscar L.; Silloway, Charles Wesley; Sleep, Lemuel Orlando; Slocum, Howard Irving; Smith, Abiel Manley; Smith, Frederick Plympton; Smith, George Edward; Smith, Jay Wallace; Southgate, Carlton Winfield; Squires, Lawrence Charles; Stafford, Harold Earle; Steadman, Edwin Gates; Stiles, Donald Young; Stone, Ralph James; Sumner, Charles Stewart; Sumner, Ralph M.; Sunderland, Milton E.; Sweet, Leon Webster; Taylor, Hobart Elliott; Thiaville, Joseph Delo; Thomas, Chester Clarence; Thorburn, Milton Ray; Thurber, Wendell Stanley; Tims, Louis Baker; Townsend, Winthrop Irving; Tuscany, Ralph Edward; Underwood, Norman Ray; Vaughan, Cameron Lucian; Videll, George W.; Vondette, Bernard Charles; Walker, Lawrence Bemis; Ward, Willard Harrison; Washburn, Kenneth W.; Welch, Philip Ernest; Welles, Charles Edwin; Western, Sidney Erik; Wheeler, Alton Grover; Whitcomb, Guy Woodward; White, Clifton Henry; White, Ray Stephen; White, Rufus Rilie; Wilbur, William Murray; Wilcox, Henry Ransom; Wilmott, Leonard; Wilson, Albert Chester; Wilson, Leslie Earl; Winchenbaugh, Wolcott; Wing, Leonard Fish, Jr.; Wissler, Benjamin Franklin; Wood, Jack Brown; Woodall, Donald Wesley; Woodbury, Robert Morris; Woodworth, George Walter; Worboys, Virgil Thomas; Worthley, Irwin Martin; Young, William; and Zwick, Pierre.

Notes: Transferred from the office of the Adjutant General on 10 October 1966.

**Public Records Commission, Photo Cuts, 1945-1956**

Record Series: PRA 385

Microfilm: Not microfilmed

Extent: Four items

Content:

Photo cuts taken in the aftermath of the fire at the arsenal in Montpelier in 1945. The cuts were published in *Public Records of the State of Vermont, 1945-1946: Biennial Report of the Public Records Commission to the General Assembly of the State of Vermont* (2 items)

Photo cut of the proposed records and library annex (1 item) This proposed addition to the Supreme Court building in Montpelier, VT, was to house the Vermont Historical Society, the Public Records office and State Library stacks. The cut was published in several editions of the Public Records Commission's *Biennial Reports* (1945-1946, 1951-1952 and 1953-1954).

Photo cut of "The Archivist's Code," published in the 1955-1956 *Biennial Report of the Public Records Commission*

## SPANISH-AMERICAN WAR

### State Treasurer's Office, Payroll of Vermont Volunteers in the War with Spain, 1898-1902

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 423

Microfilm: Reel F26171

Extent: One volume

#### Content:

This volume records allotments of \$7.00 per month extra state pay to soldiers of the Spanish American War. Includes information on Companies A-M (non-commissioned officers and privates), noncommissioned staff, and Hospital Corps, 1<sup>st</sup> Regiment Vermont Volunteers. Also contains a record of state pay to Vermonters serving in the 1<sup>st</sup> U. S. Volunteer Engineers; the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> U. S. Cavalry; the 11<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> U. S. Infantry; U. S. Navy; U. S. Marine Corps; and 4<sup>th</sup> U. S. Artillery. The volume also records per diem pay for Companies A-M of the 1<sup>st</sup> Regiment, 25 April-7 May 1898, as authorized by No. 71, Congressional Acts of 1900 (1 volume). Includes summary lists of payments and various notes compiled by the office of the State Treasurer (5 items)

Notes: Volume generally provides name; rank; date of muster-in; dates of promotion, discharge, death, etc.; number of days served prior to muster; record of payments; and date and place of muster-out.

### Office of the Auditor of Accounts, Expense Claims, 1898-1904

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 424

Microfilm: Reels F26172-F26174

Extent: Two cubic feet

#### Content:

Veteran soldiers' claims under No. 86, Acts of 1898, for providing payment of the expenses of sick soldiers of the 1<sup>st</sup> Regiment Vermont Volunteer Infantry, Spanish-American War<sup>26</sup>, 1898-1901 (288 items, each with multiple enclosures). Arranged alphabetically by name of claimant. Also includes lists of claimants and summary sheets of amounts expended, compiled by the office of the Auditor of Accounts ca.1899 (3 lists, arranged by company or roughly alphabetically) Disallowed or incomplete soldiers' claims for medical expenses, 1898-1901 (18 items) Arranged alphabetically by name of claimant

List of vouchers missing, 1888-1898 (1 item)

Claims for costs of newspaper subscriptions for the Vermont Senate, 1898 (6 items)

Claims for expenses of school examiners, 1898-1899 (4 items) Arranged chronologically

Claims for "noxious animal bounties," usually "untamed" foxes "running at large," 1898-1899 (bulk) (27 items) Arranged alphabetically by town<sup>27</sup>

Joint Resolutions of the Vermont General Assembly relating to various expenses, 1900 (12 items) Arranged chronologically

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<sup>26</sup> Applications for medical expenses may contain both formal and informal affidavits of claimants, nurses, physicians and/or druggists, probate court documents, etc. These claims generally provide name of claimant, residence, relationship to and name of soldier (if not the veteran himself), rank, company and regiment, dates of muster-in and muster-out, record of illness or disability, treatment received and associated costs, etc.

<sup>27</sup> Towns included: Bennington, Brunswick, Cabot, Chester, Chittenden, East Haven, Fairfax, Highgate, Hubbardton, Isle la Motte, Mendon, Readsboro and Wheelock.

Claims for funeral or monument expenses for indigent veterans, 1902 (bulk) (6 items) Arranged chronologically  
Various claims for expenses (mainly attorneys' fees) submitted to the Auditor of Accounts, 1898-1904, and correspondence relating to these claims (37 items, each with multiple components)  
Arranged alphabetically by claimant

Notes: This archive was primarily generated during the tenure of Auditor of Accounts Orion M. Barber, 1898-1902. Transferred 15 January 1958 from the office of the Auditor of Accounts.

**Records of the Vermont Department of United Spanish War Veterans<sup>28</sup>, 1898-1951 (bulk)**

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 425

Microfilm: Reels F26175-F26176

Extent: One cubic foot

Content:

**United Spanish War Veterans (National):**

Book of Ceremonies, USWV, 1938 (1 item)

Constitution and rules and regulations of the USWV, 1936, with supplement, 1936-1939 (1 item)

Ritual of the USWV, 1945 (1 item)

Bulletins printed to commemorate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Spanish-American War, 1948-1949 (8 items) Arranged chronologically

Reports of national officers, USWV, 1943, 1945, 1947-1951 (7 items)

Programs and memorabilia from national encampments, USWV, 1949 (1 item), 1950 (3 items) and 1951 (2 items)

Proceedings of national encampments of the USWV, 1930, 1942-1953 (13 items)

Summaries of proceedings of annual conventions of the National Auxiliary, USWV, 1946-1947, 1953 (3 items)

Newspaper clippings, primarily from the *National Tribune*, regarding USWV affairs. Most of the clippings are undated but appear to be from the 1930s. Topics include veterans' pensions, service narratives and reminiscences, obituaries, etc. (28 items) Not arranged

Decal letters, "U. S. W. V." for sign (4 letters with instructions for application)

**United Spanish War Veterans (Department of Vermont):**

Lists of pensioners and members at large, USWV, Department of Vermont, compiled ca. 1930 with later notations (2 lists) One list arranged by county, the other list arranged by town.

By-laws, USWV, Department of Vermont, 1933 (1 item)

Records of Department Commander George W. Mead, 1939-1940 (bulk), consisting of a bound notebook containing printed general orders, rosters of officers of both state and national posts and the state auxiliary, rosters of officers and members of Vermont camps<sup>29</sup>, "Taps" notices (regarding deaths of members), financial accounts, obituary clippings, business cards, pension list, etc. (1 volume with loose inserts)

Program from the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the muster of the 1<sup>st</sup> Regiment, Vermont Volunteer Infantry, May 1948 (1 item)

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<sup>28</sup> Composed of Spanish War Veterans, Spanish-American War Veterans, Service Men of the Spanish War, Legion of Spanish War Veterans and the Veteran Army of the Philippines.

<sup>29</sup> Vermont USWV camps: Harold S. Foyles Camp #1 (Rutland), Harry B. Lamson Camp #2 (Barre), Daniel F. Curtin Camp #3 (Brattleboro), William E. Spafford Camp #6 (Bennington), James W. Flynn Camp #9 (Burlington), Albert W. Farman Camp #11 (Newport), Col. Edward H. Liscome #12 (Winooski), and William F. Starr Camp #13 (White River Junction)

Letters from J. A. Hilliard, National Historian, U.S.W.V., Independence, MO, to Clair V. Heald, Department Adjutant, Montpelier, VT, 1948 (13 items) Arranged chronologically.

Records of the USWV, Department of Vermont, 1909-1912, 1929-1951. These records were probably compiled by the Department Adjutant or Historian and may include both manuscript and published information on proceedings of annual state and national encampments (including the women's auxiliary), elections of officers, membership issues, lists of Vermont U.S.W.V. camps, financial accounts, general orders, resolutions, inspection reports, officers' and/or historian's reports, Vermont bills, obituary information, correspondence relating to veterans' affairs, etc. (157 items) Arranged chronologically.

Adjutant's (C. V. Heald) annual reports, USWV, Department of Vermont, 1947-1951

Quartermaster's (H. P. Meaker) annual reports, USWV, Department of Vermont, 1948-1952 (5 items)

Reports of installation of officers, USWV, Department of Vermont: Camp #1 (Rutland), 1946-1947, 1950 (3 items); Camp #2 (Barre), 1946-1950 (5 items); Camp #3 (Brattleboro), 1945 and 1950 (2 items); Camp #6 (Bennington), 1946, 1948-1949, 1951 (4 items); Camp #9 (Burlington), 1946-1947, 1949-1950 (5 items); Camp #11 (Newport), 1945 (1 item); Camp #12 (Winooski), 1946-1947, 1949-1950 (4 items); and Camp #13 (White River Junction), 1945, 1947, 1949-1950 (4 items)

Records of attendance at annual, semi-annual or special events<sup>30</sup> of the USWV, Department of Vermont, 1925-1929, 1931-1939, 1942-1952. This record book also appears to record some of the annual and semi-annual outings of the Harry B. Lamson Camp #2 (Barre) of the USWV. The attendance records consist of both compiled lists and actual registration sign-in sheets for these events as well as newspaper clippings recording these events or deaths of prominent members (31 items) Arranged chronologically.

"Taps" certificates reporting the deaths of members of the USWV, Department of Vermont, 1929-1953<sup>31</sup> (324 items, with some duplicates and blanks) Arranged alphabetically.

Newspaper clippings, mainly from newspapers in the Barre-Montpelier area. Most are undated but appear to date from both the World War I-era and from the 1930s. Topics include obituaries, veterans' pensions, politics, veterans' organizations, current events, etc. (17 items) Not arranged.

#### **United Spanish War Veterans (Local Camps):**

Rosters of members, USWV, Department of Vermont, Camp #2 (Barre), ca.1930-1931. This is a bound notebook containing two handwritten alphabetical lists of members and one typewritten list with no apparent arrangement<sup>32</sup> (1 volume with loose inserts)

Adjutant's semi-annual reports, USWV, Department of Vermont, Camp #2 (Barre), 1925-1950 (50 items)

#### **Spanish-American War records:**

Commissary (mess) account book of Field and Staff, 1<sup>st</sup> Regiment, Vermont Volunteer Infantry, May-August 1898 (bulk). Also includes several pages of handwritten notes; a checkbook, June-

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<sup>30</sup> Such as encampments or annual state conventions. Events were held in various locations, usually around the 16<sup>th</sup> of May, the anniversary of the muster-in of the 1<sup>st</sup> Regiment, Vermont Volunteer Infantry. These lists generally provide little more than name and residence of the attending members of the USWV.

<sup>31</sup> Certificates may provide name, place of birth, highest rank attained in the USWV, rank in U. S. service, ship identification (if Navy) or regimental affiliation, marital status (often giving name and address of next-of-kin), number and age of children, place and date of death, place of burial (and whether with military honors or not), and name of party in charge of grave (i.e. V.F.W., Masons, individual, USWV camp, etc.). The forms are signed by the Department (Vermont) Adjutant.

<sup>32</sup> These lists may provide name, residence, occupation, rank, dates of muster-in and muster-out, regimental and company affiliation, length of service, date of death, place and date of birth, and name of spouse or next of kin.

August 1898; and bank account book, June-July 1898, from the First National Bank of Chattanooga, TN; as well as a typewritten essay, "Some Spanish American War History," discussing the unpreparedness of the United States armed services for the Spanish-American War (1 volume and 8 items)

Roster of the 1<sup>st</sup> Regiment, Vermont Volunteer Infantry, 16 May 1898 (1 printed item)

**Company H, "Capitol Guard" (Montpelier):**

Menu from an 1896 company gathering in Burlington (1 item)

Sick list of Company H, 1<sup>st</sup> Regiment, Vermont Volunteer Infantry, 16 May-3 September 1898, 9pp. (1 item)

Correspondence regarding the formation and activities of Company H Reserves during World War I, 1917-1919, including a list of men from Montpelier who served during the war and receipts for packages shipped to local units serving overseas (15 items) Arranged chronologically  
Photographs of members of Company H ("Capitol Guard"), 1<sup>st</sup> Regiment, Vermont Volunteer Infantry, undated. Some of the men are identified and one photograph appears to show the company baseball team, "The Indians" (4 items)

Notes: Active hostilities took place between April-August 1898 (the *Maine* was sunk 15 February 1898), but the Spanish American War was not officially ended until the Presidential Proclamation of 11 April 1899. Transferred from the Vermont Department of United Spanish War Veterans on 4 June 1969.

## WORLD WAR I

### Records of the Adjutant and Inspector General, WWI Historical Files, 1917-1926

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 416

Microfilm: Reels F26159-F26161

Extent: One cubic foot

#### Content:

Orations delivered at the formal presentation of colors to the State of Vermont on 23 October 1919. Topics include histories of military units in which Vermonters served. Contains some newspaper clippings (10 items) Arranged alphabetically by name of orator.

Printed material. Includes: *War Cyclopedia* (GPO, 1918); "The National Guard in the War with Germany" (s.l., s.d.); *U.V.M. Notes* (April 1919); and "Assignments of officers of the Regular Army to National Guard and National Army" (GPO, 1917) (4 items)

Lists of unit histories. Includes "A List of the Histories of Regiments and other units of the U.S. Army in the European War" (Library of Congress, Division of Bibliography, 1919-1920); "Additional List of the Histories of Regiments and other units of the U.S. Army in the European War" (Library of Congress, Division of Bibliography, 1922); and two lists of unit histories with authors and publishers compiled by Headquarters, American Legion (4 items)

### **26<sup>th</sup> Division, American Expeditionary Force**

#### Divisional records:

Correspondence, telegrams, orders, memoranda, bulletins, etc. regarding the service of the 26<sup>th</sup> Division, A. E. F., 1917-1919 (56 items)

General history and action reports of the 26<sup>th</sup> Division, A. E. F., 1917-1926. Also contains newspaper clippings and printed material (18 items)

"With the Yankee [26<sup>th</sup>] Division in France," by Frank P. Sibley. This is an incomplete series of clippings from the *Boston Globe*, 13 April-1 June 1919 (37 items)

Rosters of officers, 26<sup>th</sup> Division, A. E. F. (6 items)

Individual unit histories and action reports, 26<sup>th</sup> Division, A. E. F.:

51<sup>st</sup> Field Artillery Brigade (3 items)

57<sup>th</sup> Pioneer Infantry

    History, rosters and lists of men who died in France (9 items)

    Embarkation lists, Companies A-I, M and Headquarters Company (11 items)

101<sup>st</sup> Ammunition Train (26 items)

101<sup>st</sup> Engineers and 101<sup>st</sup> Engineer Train (3 items)

101<sup>st</sup> Field Artillery (3 items)

101<sup>st</sup> Field Battalion Signal Corps (1 item)

101<sup>st</sup> Infantry (4 items)

101<sup>st</sup> Machine Gun Battalion (5 items)

101<sup>st</sup> Sanitary Train (5 items)

101<sup>st</sup> Supply Train (1 item)

101<sup>st</sup> Train Headquarters (1 item)

102<sup>nd</sup> Field Artillery (3 items)

102<sup>nd</sup> Infantry (6 items)

102<sup>nd</sup> Machine Gun Battalion (9 items)

103<sup>rd</sup> Field Artillery (2 items)

103<sup>rd</sup> Infantry (1 item)  
103<sup>rd</sup> Machine Gun Battalion (14 items)  
104<sup>th</sup> Infantry (4 items)

Miscellaneous unit histories including Mail Detachment, 26<sup>th</sup> Division (U.S.A.P.O. 709); 26<sup>th</sup> Military Police Company (formerly Company B, 101<sup>st</sup> Military Police); Statistical Section, 26<sup>th</sup> Division; Animals of the 26<sup>th</sup> Division; Headquarters, 52<sup>nd</sup> Infantry Brigade; and 101<sup>st</sup> Mobile Ordnance Repair Shop (6 items)

### **1<sup>st</sup> Infantry Regiment, Vermont National Guard**

Special orders, 6 July 1915-14 December 1917, from the file of Company G, primarily regarding promotions, transfers and details, some from Eagle Pass, TX, and some dealing with induction into federal service (86 items)

Alphabetical listing of members of the regiment with their assigned (federal) military units. The listing is incomplete (1 item)

### **Miscellaneous items**

Five maps relating to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Division in France

Photograph of Perley P. Pitkin (Quartermaster General of the State of Vermont during the Civil War)

Notes: This box of records contains many Photostat copies, some of which are very difficult to read. Transferred from the office of Adjutant General F. W. Billado on 7 March 1962.

### **Records of the Adjutant and Inspector General, WWI Selective Service Records, 1917-1920**

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 417

Microfilm: Reels F26162-F26167 and F26169

Extent: Three cubic feet

#### **Content:**

Form letters from the Provost Marshal General to town clerks soliciting information on members of their Selective Service registration boards, 22 May 1917, with various dates of response (242 items) Arranged alphabetically by town.

Records of local Selective Service boards, 1917-1919. These records include lists of men ordered to report to their local boards for military duty and transported to various mobilization camps; lists of men inducted (both voluntary enlistments and drafted men) and entrained; information on men with remediable defects; physical examination reports; town listings of men in service; discharge notices; and correspondence regarding credits, discharges, rejections and other Selective Service matters. Arranged by local board, generally one for each county: Addison (78 items), Bennington (97 items), Caledonia (102 items), Chittenden (120 items), Essex (34 items), Franklin (92 items), Grand Isle (33 items), Lamoille (63 items), Orange (92 items), Orleans (126 items), Rutland (Division #1, Rutland City, 150 items), Rutland (Division #2, Fair Haven, 93 items), Washington (179 items), Windham (110 items), and Windsor (160 items)

Photostat copies<sup>33</sup> of Selective Service registration and induction lists from the Adjutant General of the U. S. Army, Selective Service Records Division<sup>34</sup> (4 lists per local board, specifically three

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<sup>33</sup> Registration lists may contain registration/serial number and name, address and "color" of registrant. Lists may be arranged alphabetically or numerically by serial number. Induction lists may contain name of inductee, registration/serial number, number of induction order, date and hour to report to induction board, date forwarded to mobilization camp, date reported (or failed to report) to mobilization camp and date of

registration lists and one list of inductees = 60 items) and correspondence relating to the use of these lists, 1920 (4 items). Arranged by local board, generally one for each county.

Bulletins from the office of the Adjutant General of Vermont primarily relaying orders from the Provost Marshal General's office in Washington, DC, to local Selective Service boards<sup>35</sup>, Volume 1: 23 November 1917-27 May 1918 and Volume 2: 29 May 1918-20 January 1919 (2 volumes)

Telegrams from E. H. Crowder, Provost Marshal General in Washington, DC, to Captain Stephen Salisbury Cushing<sup>36</sup> (U. S. Army), Disbursing Officer and Agent of the United States in Vermont, primarily relaying orders, instructions and clarifications to be disseminated to local Selective Service registration boards, 29 October 1918-1 April 1919 (67 items) Arranged chronologically.

Papers of Captain Stephen Salisbury Cushing (U. S. Army), Disbursing Officer and Agent of the United States in Vermont, including correspondence, memoranda, bulletins, receipts for supplies and for transfers of quartermaster property, clothing requisitions, pay vouchers<sup>37</sup>, etc., 8 November 1917-1 May 1919 (104 items) Arranged chronologically.

Accounting records of Captain Stephen Salisbury Cushing (U. S. Army), Disbursing Officer and Agent of the United States in Vermont, pertaining to the administration of the Selective Service program in Vermont, 21 November 1917-28 February 1919 (37 items) Arranged chronologically.

Papers of Captain John H. Woodruff (U.S. Army), medical aide to the Governor of Vermont, 20 August 1918-12 February 1919 (10 items) Arranged chronologically.

Broadsides, including two recruiting posters urging voluntary induction, both undated, and a proclamation from President Woodrow Wilson regarding Selective Service registration, 31 August 1918 (6 items: 2 copies of each broadside)

Selective Service insignia (5 items) Not microfilmed

Notes: Transferred from the office of Adjutant General F. W. Billado on 7 March 1962.

**State Treasurer's Office, Application for State Pay Allowed Volunteers and Inducted Men in the Service of the U. S., 20 May 1919**

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 420

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acceptance into service from mobilization camp. These lists may also contain occupation of inductee, whether rejected the service and the reason therefore, designated classification (A, B, G, E, I, X) and call (to service) numbers. Many of the original negative Photostat copies are very dark, out of focus or washed out. In addition, they have deteriorated over time. Although these copies were microfilmed as advantageously as possible, many are illegible. In these cases, the originals should be consulted.

<sup>34</sup> Three Selective Service registrations took place: one in June of 1917, one in June-August 1918 and one in September 1918. Most inductions taking place September 1917-October 1918 relied on the June 1917 registration list. During the summer of 1918 the June-August 1918 registration list began to be used in conjunction with the June 1917 list. As most inductions ended in October 1918, the September 1918 registration list had only begun to be used.

<sup>35</sup> These bulletins were in some cases bound very close to the left-hand margins and some text might be obscured. In these cases, the original volumes should be consulted.

<sup>36</sup> Captain Cushing worked from the office of Vermont's Adjutant General. Lee S. Tillotson (St. Albans) was Vermont's Adjutant General from 1910 to 1917 and Herbert T. Johnson (Bradford) held the office from, 1917 to 1941. All of the telegrams came to Cushing via the Governor of Vermont.

<sup>37</sup> Some of the items are satirical.

Microfilm: Reel F26168  
Extent: One item

Content:

Application for state pay, Herbert D. Dowse of Corinth, 20 May 1919. Application contains name, current residence, dates of enlistment and discharge, when reported for duty, information regarding commission (if applicable), rank, character of service, military unit in which he served and remarks. A form for the discharge record of the applicant is also included.

Notes: This is an archival sample only. The original applications were probably filmed for the Treasurer's office and then discarded; a single representative hard copy application was retained. Transferred 19 May 1969 from the State Treasurer's office.

**State Treasurer's Office, Account of State Pay to World War I Soldiers, 1917-1924**

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 421  
Microfilm: Reel F26170  
Extent: One volume

Content:

This large volume contains a chronological listing of disbursements of state pay to World War I soldiers made by the Montpelier Savings Bank and provides payee name, assignment number, assignor name and amounts. This state pay was authorized by Act No.168, Section 53, General Laws of Vermont, 1917.

Notes: Transferred from State Treasurer's office on 19 January 1984.

**Office of the Auditor of Accounts, Report of Examination of Military Account, 1920.**

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 422  
Microfilm: Reel F26168  
Extent: One item, 271 pp.

Content:

This report, submitted to Benjamin Gates, Auditor of Accounts, by Henry Hall, Revenue Clerk, examines the State of Vermont's World War I military account for the period 3 May 1917-1 August 1920. The account covers disbursements to soldiers for state pay and includes remarks, scope of work, status of account as of 1 August 1920, refunds, overpayments, conclusion and an alphabetical listing of soldiers who received the \$120.00 bonus up to 1 August 1920 (listing provides name, amount paid, amount refunded, and amount received).

Notes: Transferred ca.1951 from the office of the Auditor of Accounts.

## WORLD WAR II

### Records of the Vermont Council of Safety, 1942-1943

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 410

Microfilm: Reel F26152

Extent: Eight items

#### Content:

First Corps Area, War Disaster Relief Plan, May 1942. 9 pp. This "Restricted Document" describes the plan of action to be taken by the First Corps area in the event of national or local disasters. The plan contains eight sections: 1) purpose of plan, 2) scope of plan, 3) intelligence, 4) forces available, 5) responsibility, 6) liaison, 7) standard procedure and 8) authentication (1 item)

Receipts, destruction requests and transfer reports pertaining to the War Disaster Relief Plan and other sensitive documents, most sent to the Vermont Council of Safety from Headquarters, First Corps Area, Boston, MA, 13 May 1942-15 April 1843 (6 items) Arranged chronologically.

Original envelope (1 item)

Notes: Transferred from the Vermont Council of Safety on 12 January 1967.

### Records of Carl J. Batchelder, Deputy Commissioner, Dept. of Education, 1940-1945

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 411

Microfilm: Reels F26153-F26154

Extent: Two cubic feet

#### Content:

##### **Correspondence**<sup>38</sup>

Correspondence, minutes of meetings, reports, etc., from the Committee on Pupil Transportation, 1943 (7 items)

Correspondence, memos, circulars, bulletins, announcements, news releases, etc., relating to issues of pupil transportation and departmental surveys (see below), 1940-1944. Correspondents include the U. S. Office of Defense Transportation, the U.S. Office of Education, the U. S. Office of Civilian Defense, Vermont Division of Motor Transport, etc. (57 items)

Correspondence relating to the War Production Board's Vermont Salvage Committee, 1943-1945. Includes correspondence with Local Salvage Committee chairmen, the Vermont and U.S. Departments of Education, the War Production Board, etc., as well as pamphlets and flyers. Also contains four photographs taken at the Grand Isle Grammar School, winner of the state prize in Vermont's 1943 salvage contest (39 items)

##### **Surveys**<sup>39</sup>

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<sup>38</sup> All correspondence is arranged chronologically.

<sup>39</sup> These surveys were attempts to gather information on types of vehicles, whether publicly or privately owned, tires, mechanical condition, seating capacity, mileage, and types of usage. Surveys are arranged alphabetically by name of superintendent. Superintendents and their corresponding districts are as follows: Adams: St. Johnsbury; Anderson: Franklin, Highgate, Sheldon, Swanton; Ashland: Rockingham, Westminster; Bare: Montpelier; Bigelow: Danby, Dorset, Manchester, Mt. Tabor, Pawlet, Rupert, Sandgate, Sunderland; Boak: Readsboro, Searsburg, Stamford, Whitingham, Wilmington; Bole: Springfield; Bullis: Athens, Brookline, Dover, Grafton, Jamaica, Marlboro, Newfane, Stratton, Townshend,

Questionnaire on school buses, 31 December 1941, with summary calculations (56 items)  
 Survey of motor-driven school conveyances, April 1942, with summaries (58 items)  
 School bus transportation reports, 27 May 1942, a survey to project demand for tires, and summary, August 1942 (60 items)  
 Survey on the conveyance of school children and milk on the same vehicles (to conserve transportation), October 1942. Also includes a summary of vehicles delivering milk to county plants also conveying school children, from a survey conducted April-August 1942 (125 items)  
 Special report on school buses, produced for the Office of Defense Transportation, September-November 1942, surveys publicly and privately owned buses (63 items)  
 Survey of school transportation, January 1943, produced by the Vermont Dept. of Education for the Office of Defense Transportation, as well as correspondence with the Department of Education regarding this survey, maps, and other records<sup>40</sup> (55 items)  
 Reports from school district superintendents on scrap piles in school yards, October-November 1943 (13 items)  
 Blank questionnaires, applications, etc. relating to the above surveys<sup>41</sup> (17 items) Not microfilmed

### **Printed material**

*Public Laws of the State of Vermont Relating to Education*, 1939 (1 item)

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Wardsboro, Winhall; Butterfield: Cornwall, Middlebury, Ripton, Salisbury, Weybridge, Whiting; Byrne: Hartland, Weathersfield, West Windsor, Windsor; Cargill: Alburgh, Grand Isle, Isle LaMotte, North Hero, South Hero; Carter: Barre city; Clowse: Richmond; Dugan: Coventry, Jay, Lowell, Newport town, North Troy, Troy, Westfield; Eddy: Dummerston, Guilford, Halifax, Putney, Vernon; Elliott: Bradford, Corinth, Fairlee, Thetford, Topsham, Vershire, West Fairlee; Erwin: Ludlow, Mt. Holly, Plymouth, Shrewsbury, Wallingford; Fairchild: Rutland city; Garvin: Groton, Newbury, Orange, Ryegate, Wells River; Gorham: Brandon ID; Haggerty: Berkshire, Enosburg, Enosburg Falls, Montgomery, Richford; Hapgood and/or Kambour: Barton, Glover, Irasburg, Orleans, Westmore; Harding: Bethel, Granville, Hancock, Pittsfield, Rochester, Sherburne, Stockbridge, Warren; Heath: Barnard, Bridgewater, Pomfret, Reading, Woodstock; Hinchey: West Rutland; Holden: Barnet, Danville, Peacham, Stannard, Walden; Hoxie: Burke, East Haven, Lyndon, Lyndonville, Newark, Sheffield, Sutton, West Burke, Wheelock; Hunt, H.: Fairfax, Georgia, Milton, St. Albans town; Hunt, L.: Burlington; Irons: Arlington, Bennington, North Bennington, North Pownal, Pownal, Shaftsbury, Woodford; Jamieson: Braintree, Brookfield, Randolph, Williamstown; Jenkins: Albany, Craftsbury, Greensboro, Hardwick, Wolcott; Joy and/or Stiles: Proctor; Keniston: Concord, Granby, Guildhall, Kirby, Lunenburg, Maidstone, Victory, Waterford; Lawton: Colchester, Essex, Essex Junction, St. George, Westford, Williston; McCann: Fairfield, St. Albans city; McKnight: Berlin, Northfield, Roxbury; Maloney: Bolton, Cambridge, Huntington, Jericho, Underhill; Miner: Benson, Bridport, Hubbardton, Orwell, Shoreham, Sudbury, West Haven; Montague: Andover, Baltimore, Cavendish, Chester, Duttonsville, Landgrove, Londonderry, Peru, Weston, Windham; Moore: Elmore, Morristown, Stowe, Worcester; Parker: Norwich, Royalton, Sharon, Strafford, Tunbridge; Patterson: Addison, Charlotte, Ferrisburg, Monkton, Panton, Vergennes, Waltham; Perrin: Cabot, Calais, East Montpelier, Marshfield, Middlesex, Plainfield, Woodbury; Powers: Brattleboro; Rising: Hartford; Rowe: Bakersfield, Belvidere, Eden, Fletcher, Hyde Park, Johnson, Waterville; Selden: Bristol, Hinesburg, Lincoln, New Haven, Starksboro; Spencer and/or LeBaron: Duxbury, Fayston, Moretown, Waitsfield, Waterbury; Stackpole: Shelburne, South Burlington, Winooski; Stiles: Castleton, Fair Haven, Rutland town; Stone: Bloomfield, Brighton, Brownnington, Brunswick, Canaan, Charleston, Holland, Lemington, Morgan, Norton; Taplin and/or Heath: Bennington; Urquhart: Brandon town, Chittenden, Goshen, Leicester, Mendon, Pittsford; Wallace: Clarendon, Ira, Middletown Springs, Poultney, Tinmouth, Wells; Wells: Derby, Newport city; and Wheelock: Barre town, Chelsea, Washington.

<sup>40</sup> May include the following: Application for Continuation of Certificate of War Necessity to Operate a School Bus, Adjustment of Certificate of War Necessity, Application to Acquire a New Bus Body/Commercial Motor Vehicle, etc. These surveys often provide the names of families of pupils within the school district.

<sup>41</sup> Blank forms were not microfilmed

Education and National Defense Series publications (9 pamphlets)  
Issues of *Bus Transportation*, January 1941 and January 1942 (2 items)  
Bus manufacturers' advertisements and specification booklets (11 items)  
Publications of other states detailing wartime transportation and student safety issues. Also includes handbooks and instruction manuals for bus drivers (12 items)  
National publications, including safety manuals and circulars, driver rules and regulations, driver instruction manuals, surveys, posters, all relating to issues of public transportation and safety in wartime (9 items)

Notes: Transferred from the Department of Education on 4 June 1969.

**Records of the Office of Defense Transportation, Vermont Dairy Industry Transportation Plans, 1943-1945**

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 412

Microfilm: Reels F26155-F26157

Extent: Two cubic feet

Content:

This collection contains the Vermont Dairy Industry's transportation plans for the more efficient utilization of motor vehicles and equipment used in the transportation of dairy products. Plans were approved by the Vermont Dairy Industry Transportation Advisory Committee in conjunction with the state and national Offices of Defense Transportation. Summary sheets describe the various milkshed areas, the number and location of plants and producers, the number of haulers and the location of their routes, proposed relocations of routes, the effect of regulatory laws, haulers suspending operations and a general statement of participation. The collection also includes maps of county milk producers (most of which were prepared by the Federal Milk Market Administrator and published by the Vermont Highway Department in 1943), showing milk transportation routes as they were and following revision. There are also hauler surveys noting the name of the hauler and the names and dairy numbers of those along a particular route. Other information might include correspondence, much of which represents protests by various dairy farmers to the new routes, and lists of producers and vehicles (with can capacity and route mileage) delivering milk to various co-ops, dairies and creameries.

Notes: Arranged alphabetically by milkshed area. The following areas are included: Barre, Barton, Bellows Falls, Bethel, Bradford, Brattleboro, Bridport, Burlington, Cabot, Cambridge, Charlotte, Chelsea, Concord, Craftsbury, East Montpelier, East Randolph, Enosburg, Essex Center, Grand Isle, Greensboro, Groton, Hardwick, Lyndonville, Manchester, Middlebury, Milton, Monkton, Morrisville, New Haven, Newport, North Danville, Orleans, Peacham, Plainfield, Randolph, Richmond, Rutland County, St. Albans, Salisbury, Shelburne, Shoreham, South Strafford, Starksboro, Stowe, Swanton, Troy, Vergennes, Waterbury and Whiting. The maps included in this collection are color-coded and thus do not translate well to microfilm. Although these maps were filmed for preservation purposes, the originals should be consulted. Transferred from the Department of Agriculture on 10 September 1967.

**Report of Charles N. Barber, Director of Selective Service for the State of Vermont, 16 September 1940-30 June 1947**

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 413

Microfilm: Reel F26158

Extent: Five folders, 399 pp.

Content:

Barber's report to Governor E. W. Gibson contains information on the Selective Service in Vermont including the organization and administration of the program; governors of Vermont (WWII); registration and classification; occupational deferments; appeals; medical division; quotas, calls and inductions; delinquents; conscientious objectors; procurement and personnel division; veterans assistance program; and a final chapter, "In Retrospect."

Notes: Transferred as an archival stray on 19 January 1962

**World War II Bonus Payments, 1942-1950**

Record Series: Microfilm PRA 414

Microfilm: Reels F26216-F26219

Extent: Three cubic feet

Content:

Bonus payments made to veterans of World War II or their heirs by the State of Vermont as authorized by the Vermont legislature. Cards yield name of veteran, date (i.e. 1946 March 1), appropriation number (i.e. 19.24), voucher number (i.e. 107582) and amount (i.e. \$120.00). Arranged alphabetically by name of veteran (See notes below).

Notes: Accessioned 30 May 1974, probably from the office of the Auditor of Accounts. The cards are arranged alphabetically. When searching the cards, it is important to check alternate spellings of any particular surname. It is also important to keep in mind that these are handwritten cards. If it proves difficult to locate an individual, please try to visualize alternate interpretations of names and of letters composing the surname (check under Christian name as well). If the individual was killed during the war, it may also be helpful to check under the names of parents, spouses or other heirs.

## VIETNAM WAR

Microfilm only: **RESTRICTED** (see note below)

### Selective Service Classification Records, 1944-1950 (Birthdates)

Extent: Two reels of microfilm (negative, security copies only), 35 mm

#### Content:

Selective Service classification records grouped by local boards. Each county had a Selective Service board. May provide name of applicant; date of birth; occupation; dates the Selective Service questionnaire was mailed and returned; classification and date of mailing notice; date of physical exam and results; appeals pending and results; dates and types of entry (inducted, enlisted, commissioned, ordered), branch of service (army, navy, etc.) and separation (nature of discharge, date of death) both on active duty or civilian work; transfers, and remarks (only surviving son, removals to Canada, etc.). Includes #9 Chelsea, #2 Bennington, #11 Rutland, #13 Brattleboro, #14 Woodstock, #12 Montpelier, #1 Middlebury, #4 Burlington, #6 St. Albans, #7 North Hero, #3 St. Johnsbury, #5 Island Pond, #8 Hyde Park and #10 Newport.

Notes: The boards are not in numerical sequence but were filmed in the order they were received. Some of the local board records are in chronological order, 1944-1950 (Woodstock and St. Albans), but all others are in reverse chronological order, 1950-1944. Filmed January 1970 for the Selective Service State Headquarters by the Public Records Division. **This is a restricted collection** and may not be accessed through the State of Vermont. All Selective Service information must be solicited from the National Headquarters, 1515 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22209 (telephone: 703-605-4046).