

Finding aid for the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War records Collection 025

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Summary Information

Repository	Grand Rapids Public Library, Grand Rapids History and Special Collections Department
Title	Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War records
Date [inclusive]	1919-1920
Extent	1.8 Linear feet Two boxes
Language	English
Abstract	<p>The Mrs. Byron R. Pierce Tent #17 was the Grand Rapids chapter of the national Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War organization. The Tent was formed in 1919 and performed various duties to honor Civil War veterans. The Tent raised and dispersed funds appropriate to Civil War commemorations and frequently held social events at veterans' homes. The collection consists of a manuscript detailing the history of the club. The manuscript also includes minutes and financial records.</p>

Biographical/Historical note

In June 1919, while returning from the Michigan Department Convention, the National President of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Estella Moore, appointed Mrs. Ida M. Glasgow to secure a new Tent (local chapter) in Grand Rapids before the National Convention in September 1919.

On August 26, 1919, 30 people met at the home of Grace Van Winkle and the Tent was organized with 26 charter members and 2 obligated members. The selected name was Mrs. Byron R. Pierce Tent #17. At the time, General Pierce was the oldest living commanding officer of the Civil War and still active in a government position in Grand Rapids. The Tent raised and dispersed funds appropriate to Civil War commemorations and frequently held social events at veterans homes.

Scope and Contents note

The collection contains only one series, the Manuscript series. The manuscript is primarily a history of the Tent but also includes the minutes and financial records of the 1919 and 1920 club years. Complete membership lists and other pertinent information also appears.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

Grand Rapids Public Library, Grand Rapids History and Special Collections Department 1986

Immediate Source of Acquisition note

Michigan State Archives, 1983, accession number 1986.370; Unknown donor, accession number 2003.077

Controlled Access Headings

Corporate Name(s)

- Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, 1861-1865. Mrs. Byron R. Pierce, Tent #17 (Grand Rapids, Mich.).

Geographic Name(s)

- Grand Rapids (Mich.) -- History
- United States -- History -- Civil War, 1861-1865 -- Veterans

Manuscript, 1919-1920

Collection Inventory

Manuscript, 1919-1920	Box	Folder
	1	1
Yearbooks		
Scope and Contents note		
00.[24630, formerly MKG369.D27		
	Box	Folder
[1913], [1914], 1915, 1916, 1917, 1918, 1919	1	2
1921	1	3
1923, 1924, 1925, 1926	1	4
1928, 1929, 1930	1	5
1932, 1934	1	6
Images		
	Collection	Box
Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, June 7-9, 1950 / photo by Chas. I. Harshberger.	224	32

Images

6th District, W.R.C. Convention, Oct. 1, 1941, Grand Rapids, Mich. / photo by Chas. I. Harshberger. (2 copies)	224	32
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Box

Metal Commemorative Plaque		2
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Scope and Contents note

“Dedicated to the memory of the Grand Army of the Republic during its Sixty-first National Encampment held in Grand Rapids, Michigan. Erected by the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, September 14, 1927.” 2003.077