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Manuscript Finding Aid

Title: World War I Papers

Collection #: Ms B24

Dates: 1914-1920

Size of collection: 3 linear ft. (8 boxes)

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Donor: Cyrus S. Bradley; Helen Hedberg, Fred Sturges III; Theodosia Burr Lyons; Carol Manasevit; Vivian Conwell

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Biographical/historical note:

This subject collection was created from materials given by various donors. A large portion concerns the "home front" activities of Mrs. William B. Glover (Helen Wardwell) of 363 Old Post Road, in Fairfield, including the Red Cross knitting program, and home gardening and home canning at the Fairfield Canning Kitchen, run through the Extension Office of the State Department of Agriculture. Other individuals whose papers are included are Frank L. Morgan of Southport; William (Billy) and Theodore (Teddy) Burr of Fairfield, the latter of whom served in France during the war; and H. W. Goldsborough who was active in Fairfield's Connecticut Home Guard, Co. M, 4th regiment.

Scope and content note:

The collection is organized into seven series by individual or by type of material. Series A documents the activities of Helen Wardwell Glover with printed material she distributed on the

topics of home gardens, food conservation, and home canning. Also included in her materials are some records of the Fairfield War Bureau, of which she was a member. Records of the Connecticut Home Guard are arranged in Series B and consist of rosters, drill records and military manuals, as well as a map of the 4th military district. Frank L. Morgan's photograph album and discharge paper are in Series C. Series D encompasses the correspondence, furlough and discharge papers, and soldier's handbook of William T. Burr. His brother Theodore B. Burr, who served in France, is represented by correspondence, orders, circulars, service record, maps, and welcome home letters, arranged in Series E. A New Testament and military diary kept by Fred Conwell is in Series F. Series G consists of assorted printed materials, including military manuals, YMCA-published booklets, song books, maps and atlases, and a variety of circulars and pamphlets. Individual items are organized in Series H and include a scrapbook kept by Helen Britten Beardsley, a discharge paper for John Banks; a protection order for George Stadler; postcards; photographs; and newspaper clippings.

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Series A. Helen W. (Mrs. William B.) Glover Papers, 1914-1924

- Folder 1. Fairfield War Bureau correspondence
- Folder 2. Fairfield War Bureau circular and printed material
- Folder 3. Correspondence, 1917
- Folder 4. Correspondence, 1918
- Folder 5. Correspondence, n.d., 1924
- Folder 6. Account book, Fairfield Canning Kitchen
- Folder 7. Stamp, Fairfield Canning Kitchen
- Folder 8. Home canning instructions
- Folder 9-10. Home gardening instructions and reports
- Folder 11-13. Food conservation instructions
- Folder 14. Recipes

Box 2

- Folder 15. Canning and gardening booklets
- Folder 16. Home economics/food conservation booklets
- Folder 17. Red Cross sewing and knitting class lists, instructions, report of war work
- Folder 18. List of names and addresses
- Folder 19. Broadsides

Series B. Connecticut Home Guard, Co. M, Records

- Folder 1. Rosters, drill records, memorandum
- Folder 2. Drill records (1 volume)
- Folder 3-4. Military manuals of H.W. Goldsborough
- Folder 5. Blueprint map of 4th military district field of maneuver

Box 3

Series C. Frank L. Morgan Papers

- Folder 1. Photograph album
- Folder 2. Discharge paper of Frank L. Morgan

Box 4

Series D. William T. Burr Papers, 1917-1919

- Folder 1. Correspondence, June 1917, January-May 1918
- Folder 2-3. Correspondence, June 1918
- Folder 4-5. Correspondence, July 1918
- Folder 6-7. Correspondence, August 1918

- Folder 8-9. Correspondence, September-October 1918
- Folder 10-11. Correspondence, December 1918
- Folder 12. Correspondence, January 1919
- Folder 13. Correspondence, February 1919
- Folder 14. Correspondence, March 1919
- Folder 15. Correspondence, May-December 1919, n.d.
- Folder 16. Furlough paper, 1918; discharge, 1919
- Folder 17. Soldiers' handbook
- Folder 18. Photographs from front cover of handbook

Box 5

Series E. Theodore B. Burr Papers, 1916-1919

- Folder 1. Correspondence, April 1917
- Folder 2. Correspondence, May 1917
- Folder 3. Correspondence, June 1917
- Folder 4. Correspondence, July 1917
- Folder 5. Correspondence, August 1917
- Folder 6. Correspondence, September-October 1917
- Folder 7. Correspondence, November 1917
- Folder 8. Correspondence, December 1917, n.d.
- Folder 9. Correspondence, January-March 1918
- Folder 10. Correspondence, April-May 1918
- Folder 11. Correspondence, June-August 1918
- Folder 12. Correspondence, September-November 1918
- Folder 13. Correspondence, January-February 1919
- Folder 14. Correspondence, March-April 1919
- Folder 15. Correspondence, May-June 1919
- Folder 16. Correspondence July-September 1919
- Folder 17. Correspondence, October-November 1919, misc.
- Folder 18. Orders, memo, circular, service record, letter (part)

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Series E. Theodore B. Burr Papers, 1916-1919 (cont.)

- Folder 19. Maps of France
- Folder 20. "Welcome Home" cut out letters

Series F. Fred Conwell Papers, 1917-1919 [L2010.12]

- Folder 1. New Testament and military diary
- Folder 2. Items removed from military diary: photographs, billet for U.S.S. Eurana, (2) letters

Series G. Printed Materials, 1916-1919

Folder 1-3. Military manuals

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Folder 4. Military manuals
Folder 5. YMCA booklets
Folder 6. Song books
Folder 7. Maps and atlases
Folder 8. Photographic history of 26th Yankee Division
Folder 9. Printed forms (blank)
Folder 10-11. Circulars and pamphlets
Folder 12. Liberty Bond pamphlets and rally publicity
Folder 13. Stories and poems
Folder 14. War Savings Society information
Folder 15. Yale Alumni Weekly, 1918
Folder 16. "The Song of the Seventy-five"

Box 8

Series G. Assorted Individual Items

Folder 1. Scrapbook kept by Helen Britten Beardsley
Folder 2. Discharge for John Banks; protection order, George Stadler
Folder 3. Postcards written to Catherine O'Dwyer
Folder 4. Photographs of pigs
Folder 5. Newspaper clippings concerning soldiers

Subject headings

Burr, Theodore B., b. ca. 1900
Burr, William T., ca. 1898-1983
Beardsley, Helen Britten
Connecticut Home Guard, Co. M.
Conwell, Fred.
Glover, Helen Wardwell
Goldsborough, H. Weir
Maps, Military
Morgan, Frank L.
Red Cross. United States. American National Red Cross.
Soldiers
Soldiers--Hymns
United States. Army--Handbooks, manuals, etc.
World War, 1914-1918--France
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