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**FREDERICK A. HEURING
PAPERS, 1861–1907 (BULK 1861–1864)**

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

VOLUME OF
COLLECTION: 1 manuscript box; 1 reel microfilm

COLLECTION
DATES: Inclusive 1861–1907; bulk 1861–1864

PROVENANCE: Scott Huston, Blue River Books, 1325 West 86th Street,

Indianapolis, IN 46260, 30 September 1991

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ALTERNATE FORMATS: Microfilm

RELATED HOLDINGS: None

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NOTES:

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Frederick A. Heuring (1828–1907?) was born in Germany. By 1861 he was living in southern Indiana, and was apparently a minister, when he enlisted as a chaplain in the 25th Indiana Infantry, which was mainly recruited from Spencer and Warrick Counties. The regiment served mainly in Missouri and Arkansas, and did one stint on board gunboats. Heuring was discharged in August 1864. Thirty years later he seems to have been living in Oklahoma.

Sources: Information in collection.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection consists of Heuring's Civil War journal, 1861–1864; a microfilm copy of the journal (F 1290); a folder of discharge and GAR papers; and a folder of clippings.

Heuring kept the journal more or less day by day during his three years of service. More than many such journals it gets into his feelings about things, rather than simply stating the facts. He has a good deal to say about wounded men in his regiment, and more than once is critical of decisions made by higher authorities. He is critical of General Grant for being drunk (19 December 1862, page 191). A recurring theme is that wounded men should be sent home to recuperate instead of being kept in hospital. He was put under arrest at least once for speaking his mind. His duties do not seem to have brought him into direct contact with the soldiers except during services and when dealing with the wounded. He was much more likely to be sitting by himself studying a German Testament.

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Discharge and GAR papers	Box 1, Folder 2

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