

NOAH S. WEDDLE PAPERS, 1864-1923, 1995

Collection #
M 678
OM 361

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USER INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION: 1 manuscript box, 2 oversize folder

COLLECTION DATES: Inclusive, 1864-1995; bulk, 1864-1914

PROVENANCE: Charles M. Monell, Rancho Mirage, CA, 15 July 1996

RESTRICTIONS: None

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ALTERNATE FORMATS: None

RELATED HOLDINGS: Doyle, William E. *A History of the Seventeenth Indiana* (E 506.5, 17th, .D6, 1865); McKee, Jennie Starks, *Throb of Drums in Tennessee, 1862-1865*; Monell, Charles M. *Noah Weddle and the Civil War* (E601 .M6 1995); (E 493.5, .W5, M 32, 1973); Sunderland, Glenn W. *Wilder's Lightning Brigade* (E 493.5, .W5, S8, 1984); John H. Holliday, "A Hundred Days of War"--137th Indiana (SC 2287)

ACCESSION NUMBER: 96.0559

NOTES:

HISTORICAL SKETCH

Noah Selmon Weddle (1838-1923) was born in Medora, Jackson County, Indiana. In June, 1861, he enlisted in the Company G of the 17th Indiana Regiment, which became part of Wilder's "Lightning Brigade" seeing action at Shiloh, Corinth (Mississippi), Chattanooga, and Chickamauga. Weddle attained the rank of sergeant before his and the unit's three years of service terminated in January, 1864. Following his discharge from the 17th Indiana, Weddle re-enlisted as a lieutenant in Company D of the 137th Indiana. Weddle served five months in the 137th and was then assigned to Company K of the 140th Indiana. Weddle was mustered out of the 140th in July, 1865, and returned to his home in Medora.

Noah Weddle married sixteen year old Cordelia Ann Brown in November, 1865. The two had met at a Veterans Furlough in February, 1863. The couple produced four children. Weddle returned to his pre-war occupation of farmer and served as Justice of the Peace for Carr Township, Jackson County, from 1878-1883. In April, 1883, Weddle and his family moved to Kansas where he apparently continued to farm, living first in the town of McPherson and then moving to Lindsborg in 1885. Weddle remained in Lindsborg until his death in 1923.

Source:

Charles M. Monell, ed., *Noah Selmon Weddle and the Civil War*.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection contains original documents, letters, and related materials pertaining to Weddle's military career and civilian life. Military materials include discharge records(1864-1865), clothing and pay receipts(1864-1869), his commission as a second lieutenant (May, 1864), a monthly equipage report filed by Weddle for the 140th Indiana (December, 1864), and applications for pensions (1890-1921). There are also four letters written between Weddle in Greensboro, North Carolina, and Cordelia Brown in Medora, from January, 1865-June, 1865, and a letter to Noah Weddle in August, 1906, from William Craft, the drummer boy from Company K of the 140th Indiana.

Other items in the collection include original receipts, correspondence, and a personal account book from Weddle's term as Carr Township Justice of the Peace, 1879-1883. Also included are letters to the Weddles from family members, 1866-1890, commissions and letters regarding Weddle's membership in the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, 1880-1882, a tax receipt, 1871 and three election tickets and a page from the *Indianapolis Journal*, ca. 1870-1880.

The collection also contains an inscribed copy of the book *Noah Selmon Weddle and the Civil War*, edited by Charles Monell as well as photocopies of Weddle's military and pension records, 1861-1923, and copy prints of the photographs used by Monell in editing the book.

BOX AND FOLDER LISTING

BOX 1: Papers & Records, 1864-1923; 1995 **FOLDER**

1 Military Records, 1864-1898 (see also OM 361, folder 1)

2 Correspondence, 1865-1906

3 Pension Records, 1890-1921

4 Military Reunion (17th Indiana), 1914

- 5 Account Book & Justice of the Peace Records, 1879-1888
- 6 Justice of the Peace Records, 1880-1883
- 7 Election Materials, 1872, 1880; Tax Receipt, 1871 (see also OM 361, folder 2)
- 8 I.O.O.F. Documents, 1880-1882
- 9 *Noah Selmon Weddle and the Civil War* (1995)
- 10 Photographic Reproductions from *Noah Selmon Weddle and the Civil War*
- 11 Weddle's Military Records, 17th Indiana, 1861-1864 (Photocopies)
- 12 Weddle's Military Records, 137th Indiana, May, 1864-Sept., 1864 (Photocopies)
- 13 Weddle's Military Records, 140th Indiana, Oct., 1864-July, 1865 (Photocopies)
- 14 Pension Records, 1890-1923 (Photocopies)
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CATALOGUING INFORMATION

MAIN ENTRY: Weddle, Noah Selmon, 1838-1923

SUBJECT ENTRIES: Weddle, Noah Selmon, 1838-1923

United States. Army. Indiana Infantry Regiment, 17th (1861-1865) United States. Army. Indiana Infantry Regiment, 137th (1864)

United States. Army. Indiana Infantry Regiment, 140th (1864-1865)

Independent Order of Odd Fellows

Soldiers--Indiana--Medora

Justices of the peace--Indiana--Jackson County

Military pensions--Indiana--Medora

Medora (Ind.)--History--Sources

ADDED ENTRIES: Monell, Charles M., *Noah Selmon Weddle and the Civil War*

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