WILLIAM F. RICKETTS COLLECTION
1916–1919

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION: 2 folders

COLLECTION DATES: 1916–1919

PROVENANCE: William F. Ricketts, Jr., Tucson, Arizona, received on 22 December 1983.

RESTRICTIONS: None
BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

William Fred Ricketts was born on 2 June 1893 in Pickard, Indiana. He was in the Indiana National Guard, Battery “B”, by the Rio Grande in 1916 from 10 July – 16 September. His World War I draft registration card, dated 1917, indicates that he was then at Fort Benjamin Harrison. At that time he had two years of experience in the National Guard, and was a corporal in an artillery unit. He was in the 326th Field Artillery from August 1917 – March 1919. Ricketts was a 1918 graduate of Purdue University. He died on 24 February 1980 in Birmingham, Alabama. He is buried in Greenlawn Cemetery in Frankfort, Indiana.

Sources:

Items in the collection.


SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

This collection consists of four photographs. Three are black-and-white copy photographs of the Indiana National Guard by the Rio Grande in 1916. These show an encampment and guardsmen with horses. William F. Ricketts is identified in two of these photos.

The fourth photograph is a color copy of a sepia-tone portrait of William F. Ricketts in his uniform, taken in 1919. He was in the 326th Field Artillery from 29 August 1917 – 6 March 1919.

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Black-and-white copy photograph of rows of tents for the Indiana National Guard, near the Rio Grande in 1916.

Black-and-white copy photograph of Indiana National Guardsmen, Battery “B,” with horses and wagons, near the Rio Grande, 1916, between 10 July and 16 September. William F. Ricketts is in the center of the photo.
Black-and-white copy photograph of Indiana National Guardsmen and horses resting alongside the Rio Grande in 1916. William F. Ricketts is in the foreground of the photo.

Color copy of sepia-tone portrait of William F. Ricketts in uniform, taken in 1919.

CATALOGING INFORMATION

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1. Go to the Indiana Historical Society's online catalog:  [http://157.91.92.2/](http://157.91.92.2/)

2. Click on the "Basic Search" icon.

3. Select "Call Number" from the "Search In:" box.

4. Search for the collection by its basic call number (in this case, P 0419).

5. When you find the collection, go to the "Full Record" screen for a list of headings that can be searched for related materials.