

Woman's Relief Corps No. 195 Records (MS-11) Guide

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Summary Information

Repository:	Wright State University Libraries, Special Collections and Archives
Creator:	Woman's Relief Corps (U.S.). Kyle Corps No.195 (Auglaize County, Ohio)
Title:	Woman's Relief Corps No. 195 Records (MS-11)
ID:	MS-11
Date [inclusive]:	1902-1941
Date [bulk]:	1902-1930
Physical Description:	0.625 linear feet
Language of the Material:	English .
Abstract:	The records contain the organization's minute books, membership lists, financial records, and officer's registers. Corps 195 served Auglaize County.

Preferred Citation

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History of Woman's Relief Corps, Corps 195

Kyle Corps 195 of the Woman's Relief Corps was organized in 1882 and in July 1883 was voted the official woman's auxiliary of the Grand Army of the Republic. Reactivated on August 23, 1902, the group met weekly in the G.A.R. Hall in the Auglaize County courthouse, Wapakoneta, Ohio. The corps held annual conventions in conjunction with the G.A.R. encampments.

The membership was open to all loyal women and they supported the G.A.R. in its campaign to imbue the American public with patriotism. One of the societies' projects was to aid in the

movement to place American flags in all the schools and to institute the daily salute to the flag in each classroom.

In 1896 the membership of the Corps was 140,305. By 1968 the membership was 54,000. The headquarter of the society is in Springfield, Illinois and though their original aim was to aid and memorialize the G.A.R. and perpetuate the memory of its dead, they still work to assist veterans of all wars of the United States.

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Scope and Content

The Woman's Relief Corps, no. 195 collection consists mostly of items related to the organization's required record keeping. The five minute books contain information about officers, committees, illnesses and deaths, and new members. In addition to a weekly treasurer's report, the minutes list the number of members present and absent at each meeting.

The two ledgers contain a member index with some dates of death for deceased members. The rear contains the chapter's account records, listing credits and debits with specific information and is intended to be used in conjunction with the ledgers. An officer's register lists all offices held from 1912-1941. It also contains a summary of meeting attendance. There is also one file of miscellaneous loose material.

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Statement of Arrangement

Arranged by record type, and chronologically thereunder.

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Restrictions on Access

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Acquisition Information

Leonard Pyles, Veterans Services Officer for Auglaize County, transferred the collection to Wright State University in accordance with a pre-arranged dispersal schedule. The collection was accessioned in September 1975.

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Controlled Access Headings

- Women -- Ohio -- Societies and clubs
- Patriotic societies -- Ohio
- Auglaize County (Ohio) -- History
- United States -- History -- Civil War, 1861-1865 -- Societies, etc.

Other Finding Aid

The finding aid is available on the Special Collections & Archives, Wright State University Libraries web site at http://www.libraries.wright.edu/special/collection_guides/guide_files/ms11.pdf. It is also available in the OhioLINK Finding Aid Repository at <http://ead.ohiolink.edu/xtf-ead/>.

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Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Instances	
Minute Book, 1902 Aug 23 - 1908 Mar 28	Box 1	Folder 1
Minute Book, 1908 Apr 11 - 1914 July 25	Box 1	Folder 2
Minute Book, 1914 Aug 14 - 1917 Mar 24	Box 1	Folder 3
Minute Book, 1917 Apr 14 - 1925 July 18	Box 1	Folder 4
Minute Book, 1925 Aug 1 - 1930 Dec	Box 1	Folder 5
Scope and Contents		
Contains a tribute to the Woman's Relief Corps written and read by Commander Wentz.		
Officer's Register, 1912-1941	Box 1	Folder 6
Ledger, 1909 Jan 1 - 1917 Dec 22	Box 1	Folder 7
Ledger, 1917 Dec 22 - 1933 Nov 23	Box 2	Folder 1
Cash Book, 1918 Jan 26 - 1934 Jan 11	Box 2	Folder 2
Miscellaneous items: vouchers and receipts; general orders; copies of the American Creed and Salute to the Flag; dues notification forms; treasurer's reports., Undated	Box 2	Folder 3