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Historical Note

Shortly after the outbreak of the Civil War in 1861, the Union army found itself in need of recruits to wage a long-term war. Many counties, including Delaware County, offered bounties as an incentive to boost enlistment in the army. Many soldiers from Delaware County traveled to Richmond or Indianapolis to enlist in one of the Hoosier regiments. The Union soldiers from Delaware County fought in numerous battles across the country including Gettysburg, Antietam, and Second Bull Run. Following the war, Delaware County created and maintained records of the county's Civil War veterans using veterans' enrollment forms in 1886 and 1890.

Scope and Contents

This collection includes bounty applications and audit certificates, regiment muster certificates, recruit lists, service records, financial records, veterans' enrollment forms, and other materials from Delaware County, Indiana ranging from 1861 to 1906 regarding the history of the Civil War in Delaware County, and, more specifically, the administration of bounties, enlistment of men, and enrollment of veterans during and after the war.

Arrangement

This collection is arranged in the following series and subseries:

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