

# Missouri State Archives

## Finding Aid 133.4

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### OFFICE OF ADJUTANT GENERAL

### MISSOURI VETERANS HOME (ST. JAMES)

### INMATE REGISTERS, 1897-1973

*Abstract:* Admission registers (1897-1973) to the Missouri Veterans Home at St. James, formerly known as the Federal Soldiers' Home.

*Extent:* 5 volumes

*Physical Description:* Paper, in bad repair.

*Location:* MSA Stacks

### ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

*Alternative Formats:* [Inmate registers](#) and applications are available up to 1929 as digital images on the Missouri Digital Heritage website.

*Access Restrictions:* Social security numbers of living people must be given to patrons in alternate form. Medical information may be restricted.

*Publication Restrictions:* Copyright is in the public domain for state records. Researchers bear sole responsibility for following applicable copyright laws. Some medical information may be confidential.

*Acquisition Information:* Accession 2002-0205.

*Processing Information:* Finding aid completed by Mary Kay Coker on March 23, 2009.

### HISTORICAL AND BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

The Missouri Veterans Home (St. James) was originally a home for Union soldiers and was known as the Federal Soldiers' Home of Missouri until 1977. It was established in 1896 by the Women's Relief Corps and the Grand Army of the Republic.

## INMATE REGISTERS, 1897-1973

*Arrangement:* Chronological and numerical

### Scope and Content

This series contains the original admission registers for inmates (residents) at the Missouri Veterans Home at St. James. Because almost all of the early applications up to #1300 are missing, these registers may be all that remain of a soldier's admission to the home. Each entry is dated and given an admission number, starting on June 25, 1897, with Private Frank T. Kenyon of Company I, 47<sup>th</sup> Regiment, Missouri Infantry. The last admission was dated February 26, 1973. The admission number should match the application number, if it still exists; see the series *Applications* for more information.

The first four inmate registers have their own alphabetical indexes. Information given in the register may include the following: name, admission date and number, friends or near kin, service record, date and place of birth, present age, amount of pension, nature of disability, occupation, marital status, literacy, church and lodge memberships, and other remarks. The last may include biographical data, addresses of relatives, date of death and place of burial. Generally the amount of information on a resident becomes progressively less as the years go on. Starting in the third volume, there are two entries per page instead of the earlier one page per entry.

### Container List

Location	Volume	Admission Numbers	Admission Dates
12A/3/5	1	1 – 396	25 Jun 1897 – 11 Aug 1903
12A/3/5	2	397 – 1198	14 Aug 1903 – 31 Oct 1913
12A/3/5	3	1199 – 2101	26 Nov 1913 – 15 Feb 1929
12A/3/5	4	2100 – 3035 (Note: 2100-2101 are repeated entries)	08 Feb 1929 – 16 Apr 1949
12A/3/5	5	3036 – 4403 (Note: 4300-4403 are tipped into the front of the volume)	20 Apr 1949 – 26 Feb 1973