Collection of World War I Photographic Slides

Collection Summary

Title: Collection of World War I Photographic Slides
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Content Note

The Collection of World War I Photographic Slides contains 148 glass slide prints of American troops in World War I. These slides convey all aspects of military life of that period, from basic training in the United States to warfare in the trenches of Europe on the Western Front. These slides depict trench warfare, logistics with horse drawn carriages, railroad and truck, chemical warfare, various training exercises to get American troops ready for combat, and life of the soldier during times of quiet from the action. These slides also give us a chronological sequence of events concerning American involvement in World War I. They take us from the Declaration of War by Congress in 1917, enlistment and training of soldiers, arrival of the American Expeditionary Forces in France, more training, combat on the field and in the trenches, to Allied victory in 1918. The images provide a commentary on what the war was like for the American soldiers in Europe. Also included are slides on biblical history, archaeology and astronomy.

Series Listing

Series 1 Box 1-2 World War I. Contains glass photographic slides depicting aspects of military life of American troops in World War I.
Series 2 Box 2 Other. Contains glass photographic slides concerning biblical history, archaeology and astronomy.
Box and Folder Listing

Series 1 – World War I

Box 1 Contains 82 photographic glass slide prints of American troops during World War I. These slides begin with Congress declaring war on Germany in 1917 and continuing with enlistment and training of soldiers to the arrival of the American Expeditionary Forces in France.

Box 2 Contains 66 photographic glass slide prints of American troops during World War I. These slides show American troops training in France and seeing action on the Western Front. The series ends showing scenes of Allied victory in 1918.

Series 2 – Other

Box 2 Contains nine photographic glass slide prints regarding biblical history and archaeology.

Box 2 Contains eight photographic glass slide prints regarding the solar system.

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