

William Henry Ross, World War I soldier

Around 1919, the Kansas State Historical Society and the American Legion solicited biographical information from returning veterans (primarily members of the 35th and 89th infantry divisions) and the families of those who died in service, notably from the Gold Star Mothers. Each veteran or family member was asked to provide letters, photographs, a biography, and military records. This folder contains information on William Henry Ross. His mother, Maggie Ross, writes to William Connelley of the Kansas State Historical Society, telling him of her son's education and eventual draft into the Army in 1917.

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Esbridge Kans.
January the 10. 1919
Dear Sir I see in a
paper that you wanted
the 89 division I have a
son in the 89 division his
name is William Henry Ross
he was born and raised in
Rock creek town ship
Wabaunsee Co Kansas. all
the school he had was a
common country school
he was drafted in the spring
of 1917 and was called
to service October the 2. 1917
to camp fuston Kansas.
in May 1918. he came home

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he went through the
war all right never got
a scratch he is ~~still~~
still with the 89 division
some where I dont
no just where

he never has told me
any thing about his
war life ~~to~~ he alway writes
about thing at home
I wrot to him to tell
me some thing about
his war life and if
he dare I will send it
to you.

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on a 21 day furlo left
the 5 of june 1918 for
Camp Funston in July
he sailed for France
he has been on a farm all
his ~~for~~ life I have
his picture if you want
it I will send it to you
he is 29 years old.

I will first send a
letter and see if it
reaches you.

Mrs. Maggie Ross
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Kansas. Bt. 41

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