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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 file contains information on Roscoe C. Moore. Roscoe died of pneumonia in late September/early October 1918 at the Great Lakes Naval training station in Chicago, Illinois.

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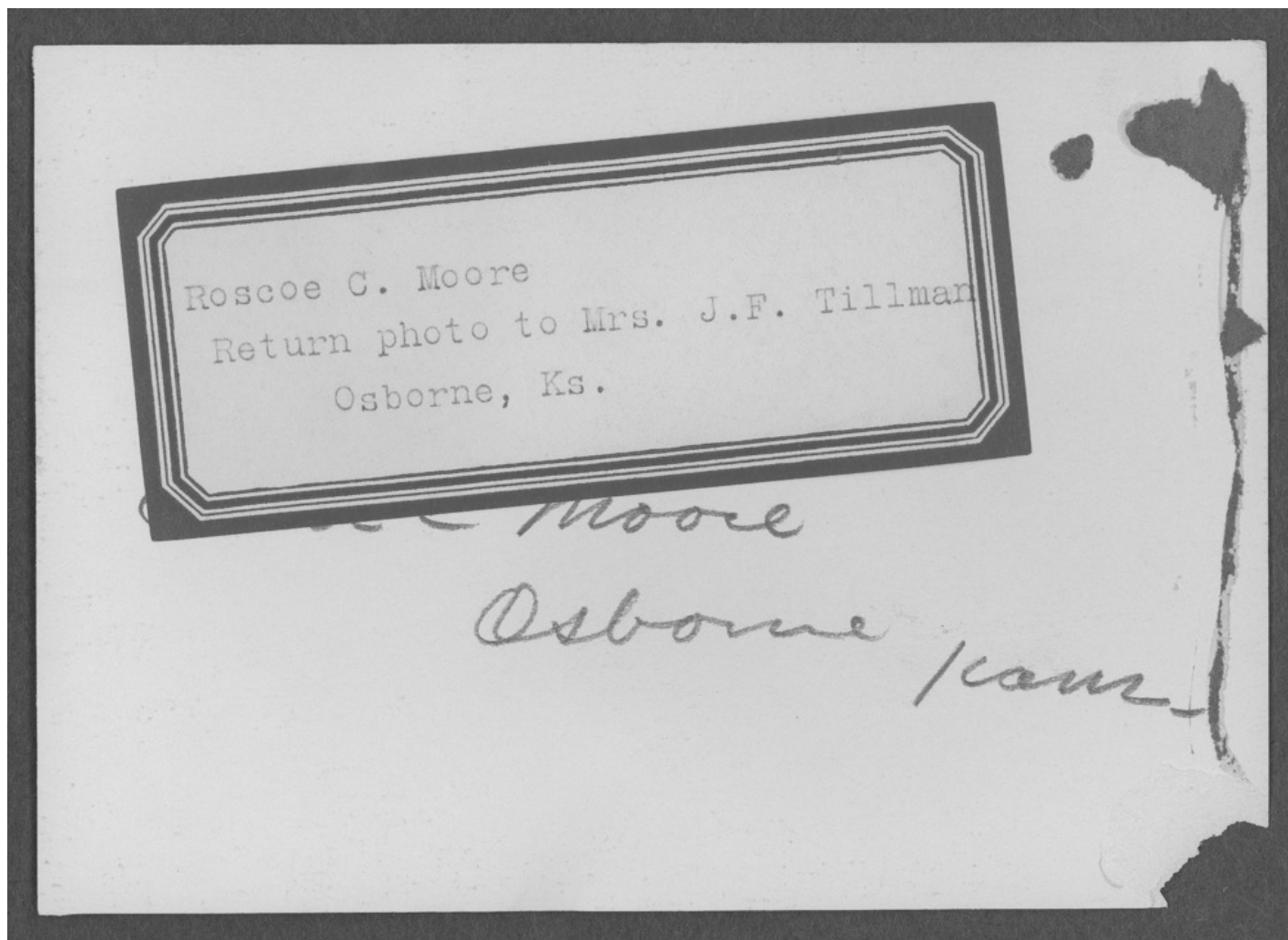
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ROSCOE C. MOORE, who had been sick with pneumonia for ten days in the hospital at the Great Lakes Naval training station at Chicago, died last Thursday afternoon. His father, Morris E. Moore, of Penn township, was with him when he passed away. The body was brought to Osborne, arriving Friday morning. The funeral was held Saturday afternoon from the M.E. church, conducted by Rev. F. C. Everitt of the Presbyterian church. The last honors were of a military character, in charge of the State Guards of Osborne. The flag draped and flower covered casket was borne by six State Guards-- C.M. Hunt, John Bell, Ralph Conrad, Linnie Hilton, Loyal Miller and Leo Gallagher. The casket was carried to the hearse between two lines of State Guards standing rigidly "at attention." The band preceded the procession to the church. Rev. Everitt, a member of the State Guards, and in uniform, delivered a touching and appropriate funeral address. Lieutenant Lloyd E. Latham of the State Guards read the biographical sketch. Music was furnished by a male quartet--M.J. Green, J. B. Ansley, Roy LaBore and John Van Scoyoc--with Mrs. H. S. Woodard at the piano. The church was crowded to pay the last respects to the soldier dead. The business houses closed during the hour of the funeral. The Guards accompanied the procession to the cemetery and as the casket was lowered to its final resting place, "taps" was sounded by the company bugler. Roscoe E., son of Mr. and Mrs. Morris E. Moore, was born near Glen Elder on July 26, 1898. The family moved to the farm southwest of Osborne in 1915. Roscoe graduated with honors in the class of 1918. The flag on the high school building was flown at half mast as soon as the news of his death was received here. Hearing the call of his country Roscoe went to Kansas City early in July and enlisted in the navy. He was called into service the second of August and went to the Great Lakes training station at Chicago and entered his work with great enthusiasm and patriotism. He was stricken with Spanish influenza which developed into pneumonia, the first word of his sickness having been received in Osborne Sept. 24. His father left for his son's bedside the same day and remained with him until the end. It appeared for a few days that Roscoe would get better of the disease and recover, but it was willed otherwise. He was a fine, manly young fellow, a gentleman in every particular and his untimely end cast a deep gloom over the community.