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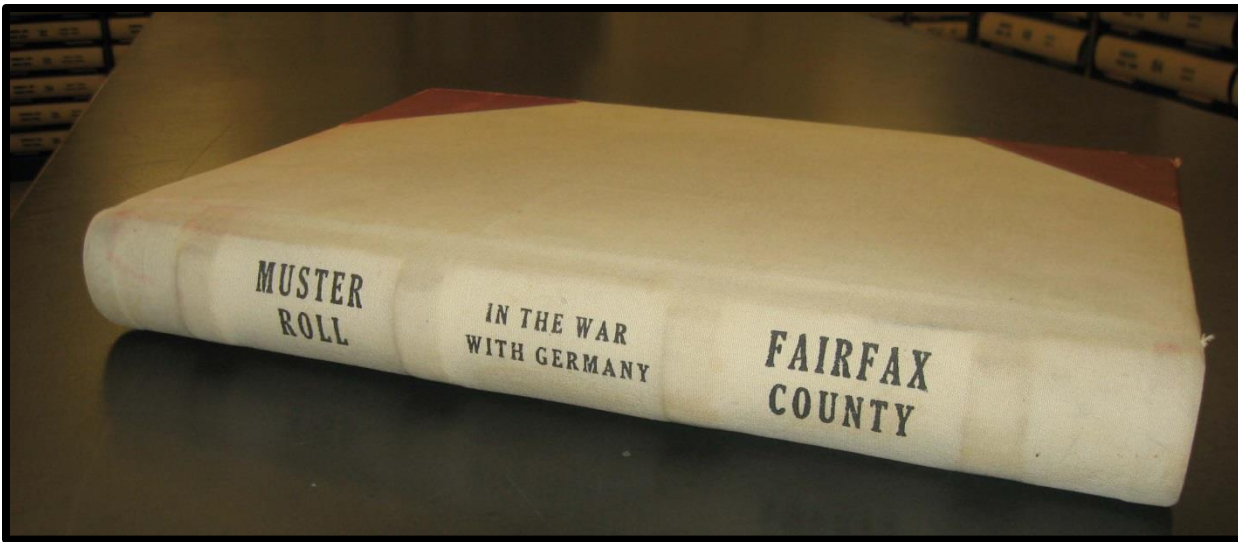
Fairfax Circuit Court Historic Records Center



Hello! This is the second installment of “Found in the Archives,” where the Fairfax Circuit Court Historic Records Center will highlight interesting and unique documents in our custody.

For the month of November, the Fairfax Circuit Court Historic Records Center will focus on Fairfax County citizens’ participation in World War I, in honor of Veterans Day and Armistice Day, which coincide on November 11 each year.

The Fairfax Circuit Court Historic Records Center is custodian of the draft registration book for World War I, which details the name, residence, induction date, and service number of the inductee, among other details. Note that the ledger is identified as the Muster Roll for “The War with Germany.”



Why would the Circuit Court be keeper of this register?

By an Act of Assembly approved March 16, 1918, the chairman of the county draft board was required to “furnish to the clerk of that court...lists of the residents of such counties or cities, who, through the selective draft law have become members of the military forces of the United States.” The Clerk, having received the list, “shall

copy in a book or books provided for the purpose... [and] which book shall be properly indexed.” Men who chose to volunteer would also be included. [1918 Virginia Acts of Assembly, Chapter 331]

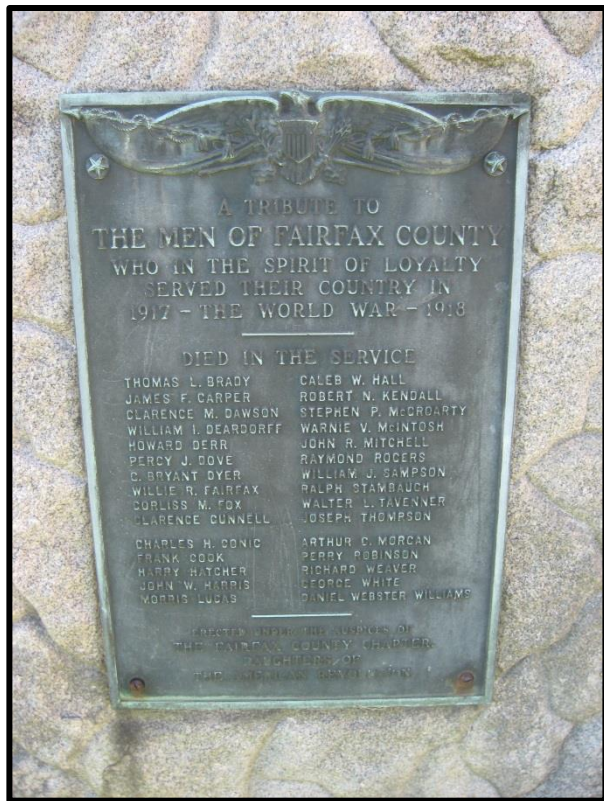
Below is the letter "A" index from the ledger.

MUSTER ROLL <i>Fairfax</i> COUNTY, VIRGINIA		IN THE WAR WITH GERMANY										
NAME	ADDRESS	AGE	COLOR	SELECTIVE SERVICE (Date limited induction)	VOLUNTEERS ARMY, NAVY AND MARINE CORPS (Date of enlistment)	NATIONAL GUARD AND NAVAL MILITIA		Under no.	RANK	Serial no.	BRANCH	REMARKS
						REGIMENT	COMPANY					
<i>Addison, John Dainzfeldt</i>	<i>Smythman, Va.</i>		<i>Wh.</i>	<i>9-29-17</i>						<i>20</i>	<i>107</i>	
<i>Alexander, Carl</i>	<i>Memphis, Va.</i>		<i>Col.</i>	<i>11-30-17</i>						<i>147</i>	<i>741</i>	<i>Wounded in action.</i>
<i>Archer, John Edwin</i>	<i>Dynke, Va.</i>		<i>Wh.</i>	<i>10-9-17</i>						<i>059</i>	<i>798</i>	
<i>Adams, Samuel Staucke</i>	<i>Vienna, Va.</i>		<i>Wh.</i>	<i>9-18-17</i>						<i>260</i>	<i>848</i>	
<i>Adams, James Henry</i>	<i>Fairfax, Va.</i>		<i>Wh.</i>	<i>6-24-18</i>						<i>1005</i>	<i>740</i>	<i>3625853</i>
<i>Anderson, Leonard Cleland</i>	<i>McLean, Va.</i>		<i>Wh.</i>	<i>6-24-18</i>						<i>1139</i>	<i>1135</i>	<i>3625842</i>
<i>Amble, Carl Mack</i>	<i>Leifton, Va.</i>		<i>Wh.</i>	<i>6-24-18</i>						<i>1300</i>	<i>39</i>	<i>3633108</i>
<i>Alder, Paul Foy</i>	<i>Fairfax, Va. P.O.</i>		<i>Wh.</i>	<i>9-4-18</i>						<i>70</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>4639761</i>
<i>Allen, Edmund Thomas</i>	<i>Newington, Va.</i>		<i>Wh.</i>	<i>9-4-18</i>						<i>89</i>	<i>116</i>	<i>4629755</i>
<i>Asky, Edward</i>	<i>Geo. Seminary, Va.</i>		<i>Col.</i>	<i>7-25-18</i>						<i>576</i>	<i>526</i>	<i>2966824</i>
<i>Asmus, Richard Albert</i>	<i>Geo. Seminary, Va.</i>		<i>Col.</i>	<i>6-18-18</i>						<i>644</i>	<i>829</i>	<i>3178228</i>
<i>Anderson, Albert L.</i>	<i>Washington D.C.</i>		<i>Col.</i>	<i>6-18-18</i>						<i>666</i>	<i>827</i>	<i>3178235</i>
<i>Adams, Robert Burden</i>	<i>Geo. Seminary, Va.</i>		<i>Col.</i>	<i>6-18-18</i>						<i>670</i>	<i>827</i>	<i>3178253</i>
<i>Alexander, James Wacker</i>	<i>Bancroft, Va.</i>		<i>Col.</i>	<i>7-16-18</i>						<i>837</i>	<i>695</i>	<i>recr. appointed. 3630945</i>
<i>Adams, Leo W.</i>	<i>Falls Church, Va.</i>		<i>Col.</i>	<i>1-11-18</i>						<i>1108</i>	<i>696</i>	
<i>Ayses, Elmer Thomas</i>	<i>Leifton, Va.</i>		<i>Wh.</i>	<i>Jan 28-18</i>	<i>Volunteer</i>					<i>600</i>	<i>40</i>	<i>Naval Reserve.</i>
<i>Allen, Herbert W.</i>	<i>Alexandria, Va.</i>		<i>Wh.</i>	<i>Enlisted</i>	<i>Jan 25-17</i>							<i>Co. 2 1st Va. Inf.</i>
<i>Aud, Jesse Veira</i>	<i>Herndon, Va.</i>			<i>Date of Induct.</i>						<i>A-206</i>	<i>704</i>	<i>S. A. T. C., Eastern College, Va.</i>
<i>Aud, William Deuca</i>	<i>Herndon, Va.</i>			<i>10-14-18</i>						<i>A-2134</i>	<i>841</i>	<i>S. A. T. C., Eastern College, Va.</i>

On these pages, you can see three groups of names. The first set identifies those who were drafted through the Selective Service. It is important to note the “Remarks” section of each page, as it can provide more information about a man’s service than just his service number. For example, on this page, you can see that John Daingerfield Addison was wounded in action, and James Walker Alexander deserted and was apprehended.

The second group of names includes those men who volunteered for service. The remarks state the branch of the military in which the men serve.

Finally, the third set of names lists those men who belong to the Students Army Training Corps (S. A. T. C.). This organization was operated by the United States War Department and trained male college students for military service, while ensuring they would remain enrolled in their college courses.



Fairfax County Residents who died during service in World War I

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| Brady, Thomas L. | Lucas, Morris |
| Carper, James F. | Morgan, Arthur C. |
| Conic, Charles C. | McCroarty, Stephen P. |
| Cook, Frank | McIntosh, Warnie V. |
| Dawson, Clarence M. | Mitchell, John R. |
| Deardorff, William I. | Robinson, Perry |
| Derr, Howard | Rogers, Raymond |
| Dove, Percy J. | Sampson, William J. |
| Dyer, C. Bryant | Stambauch, Ralph |
| Fairfax, Willie R. | Tavenner, Walter L. |
| Fox, Corliss M. | Thompson, Joseph |
| Gunnell, Clarence | Weaver, Richard |
| Hall, Caleb W. | White, George |
| Harris, John W. | Williams, Daniel Webster |
| Hatcher, Harry | |
| Kendall, Robert N. | |

Photo of World War I side of the Fairfax County War Memorial marker standing in front of historic Fairfax Courthouse.

Below is index page "D" from the draft registration ledger.

MUSTER ROLL <i>Fairfax</i> COUNTY, VIRGINIA				IN THE WAR WITH GERMANY						
NAME	ADDRESS	AGE	COLOR	EDUCATION		NATIONAL GUARD AND NAVY RESERVE		BRANCH	REMARKS	
				Grade (Last)	Years	Days	Months			
D Davis, John Henry	Alex. Va. R. 3.	Wh.	9-18-17					31	486	
D Daniels, Harvey	Bosompt, Va. R. 7. B.	Wh.	9-18-17					54	487	
D Eyer, George Bryant	Vicenna, Va.	Wh.	11-6-17					93	868	Killed Nov. 1918.
D Dinsey, Guy Otis	Vicenna, Va.	Wh.	10-18-17					143	870	
D Drummond, Alfred H.	Alex. Va. Rk. 1.	Wh.	9-18-17					167	341	
D Davis, Mahlon Marion	Burke, Va.	Wh.	9-18-17					204	154	
D Dawson, Clarence	Lorton, Va.	Wh.	9-18-17					233	232	Died of disease - Camp Lee.
D Davis, Charles Louis	Burke, Va.	Wh.	11-6-17					410	155	
D Dearoff, William Isaac	Accoguan, Va.	Wh.	11-6-17					433	239	Died of wounds -
D Dorsey, Eva Lucy	Fairfax, Va.	Col.	11-6-17					448	832	
D Pauls, Eddie Norman	Droctian, Va.	Wh.	7-16-18					1882	201	
D Davis, Perry Francis	Clayton Sta. Va.	Wh.	7-28-18	7-28-18	Physical	Bioricity		1364	47	3648566
D Dams, Jack R.	McLean, Va.	Wh.	3-28-18					74	120	1851470
D Dore, John Wm. Jr.	Accotuck, Va.	Wh.	9-4-18					476	368	4629763
D Deau, Harry Jos.	Alexandria, Va.	Wh.	3-28-18					333	940	1851450
D D-wall, James Fairfield	Mt Vernon, Va.	Wh.	3-28-18					393	342	1851464
D Eyer, Chas. Franklin	Burke - Va.	Wh.	7-22-18					620	151	
D Davis, Oswald Darrell	Drctian, Va.	Wh.	8-9-18					647	224	
D Dinsey, John F. V.	Vicenna, Va.	Wh.	3-18-18					669	1386	
D Doue, Ho. Oscar	Fairfax, Va. R. 2.	Wh.	3-24-18					811	751	3165415
D Deuty, Henry	Springfield, Va.	Wh.	6-24-18					1230	404	3633107
D Deau, William Jr.	Accotuck, Va.	Wh.	7-23-18					1037	266	3648568
D Davis, Ayle Arnold	Lorton, Va.	Wh.	2-9-18					1401	227	
D Dodson, William Franklin	Springfield, Va.	Wh.	7-23-18					1472	403	3648574
D Dard, Ho. Wilson	Fairfax, Va.	Wh.	8-12-18					95	48	4629760
D Dawson, John Edward	Springfield, Va.	Wh.	9-4-18					78	24	4629760
D Davis, Carl Judson	Richmond, Va.	Wh.	10-27-18					118-a	146	4637537
D Der, Howard Lee	Fairfax, Va.	Wh.	7-22-18	8-10-18				85	68	4086631
D Dove, Harvey	Fairfax, Va. R. d.	Wh.	9-4-18	9-10-18				118	111	4629746
D Dennis, Lewis	Falls Church, Va.	Col.	4-25-18					242	707	2667132
D Dade, King	Newton, Va.	Col.	7-16-18					843	1252	3630946
D Dundas, Walter Wm.	Clayton Sta. Va.	Col.	7-29-18					1120	81	4015421
D Dixon, Newton	Falls Church, Va.	Col.	7-31-18					1357	708	

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