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**Introduction**

Personal and business papers of Tarkio (MO) veterinarian John Joseph Riordan. Riordan served with the American Expeditionary Force in Europe from 1917 to 1920. Records of the Missouri Valley Silver Fox Corporation, operated in St. Joseph by Riordan during the early 1930s; records pertaining to Riordan's veterinarian practices in Fillmore and Tarkio; correspondence written to his family from Camp Lee (VA), Camp Sheridan (AL), and Europe; diary, photographs, correspondence, manuscript drafts and ephemera related to Riordan's personal narrative: *Horses, Mules, and Remounts: The Memoirs of a World War I Veterinary Officer*.

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**Box List**

**Box 1**

- Missouri Valley Silver Fox—records
  - Advertising
  - Bank records
    - Bank deposit book
    - Check register
  - Corporation papers—legal, 1930s
    - Board members
    - By-laws
    - Business license
    - Incorporation form
    - Partnership agreement
    - Stock certification
    - Taxes
      - Receipts
      - Registration—franchise
  - Order contracts
  - Sales receipts
- Riordan, John J.
  - Family papers
    - Correspondence, 1917-1919
    - Post cards, 1917-1920
      - Alabama—Camp Sheridan, Montgomery
      - Georgia—Atlanta
      - Missouri—St. Joseph, Springfield, Kansas City, St. Louis

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Virginia—Petersburg, Camp Lee, Camp, Hill, Hampton,  
Newport News, Cape Henry  
Texas—Laredo, Ft. McIntosh

Veterinarian practice

Correspondence

Invoices for serum & vaccines supplies, 1943, 1951

Riordan family—postcards, 1917-1920

Colorado—Boulder Falls, Denver

Missouri—Kansas City, Lake of the Ozarks, St. Joseph

Minnesota—Rochester

Iowa—Sioux City, Des Moines

Virginia—Hampton, Norfolk

Texas, Houston

New York—World War I—victory parade, Victory Arch, Long Island

Ohio, Cleveland

Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh

Wisconsin, Manitou Falls

Washington, Tacoma

Georgia, Bainbridge

Panama Canal

**Box 2**

Riordan, John J.—veterinary practice

Cash book and miscellaneous receipts

Farm income and expenses, 1941-1943

Ledger, 1939-1944

Ledger, 1945

Loose leaf notebook pages

Loose ledger pages

Record book, 1930-1936, 1937

**Box 3**

Riordan, John J.—veterinary practice

Appointments, 1953

Journal, 1946-1950, 1952-1957

*Horses, Mules, and Remounts: The Memoirs of a World War I Veterinary Officer*

Manuscripts

Final copy with pagination for photographs

Final copy w/o pagination for photographs

Draft revisions

Captions for illustrations

Handwritten (binder)

Copy of John J. Riordan's transfer request from Veterinary Reserve Corps  
to the Aerial Observation Service, November 1918

**Box 4**

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Manuscripts—handwritten and typed rough drafts, final draft

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