

## Information Sheet

**R**      **Kullman, Frederick August, 1843-1893.**  
**120**      **Papers, 1855-1980 (bulk 1855-1866).**  
            **Three folders, photocopies.**

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Frederick A. Kullman was born in 1843 in Schwarzburg-Sonderhausen, Prussia (now in Germany). His family emigrated to the United States in 1855, settling in Benton County, Missouri. Kullman was one of the first Union volunteers from Benton County during the Civil War. He served from June 1861 through May 1866, first in the Benton County Battalion, then the 5th Missouri State Militia Cavalry, and finally in the 13th Missouri Cavalry, a unit composed of veteran militia cavalrymen. Kullman returned to Benton County in 1866, where he married Margaretha Barbara Hassfurther, an immigrant from Bavaria. The Kullmans lived in Benton County until their deaths, his in 1893 and hers in 1927.

Most of the Kullman papers are associated with his military service. There are only two antebellum documents, Kullman's certificate of confirmation in Prussia, 1855, and a certificate of approval for the Hassfurther family to emigrate from Bavaria in 1856.

The military items in the Kullman papers include discharges from the various units in which he served, 1861-1866, his appointment as eighth corporal of the 5th Missouri State Militia Cavalry, and pension papers filed by his widow after his death in 1893. Also related to Kullman's military service are letters to his father, written from Salem and St. Louis, Missouri, in 1863 and 1864, and a diary, 1865. The diary covers the period from 1 January through 26 April 1865, during which Kullman served at the posts of Rolla and Licking, and received his veteran's furlough. Aside from an enjoyable visit home, the diary records routine scouting, escort, and foraging duties in the Big Piney River area of Phelps and Texas counties. The duty was very prosaic, and Kullman seems to have been more irritated by mud, delayed mails, and military policemen than by rebels. Indeed, only one skirmish with bushwhackers occurred during the period, but there were several scrapes with the Provost Guard at Rolla. Despite the limited nature of the duty, Kullman's diary is a useful account of an area in a period for which there are few primary sources.

The rest of the collection consists of miscellaneous postwar documents. They include the certificates of election of Frederick A. Kullman as county judge of Benton County, 1888, undated photographs of family members, and genealogical data on the Hassfurther family.

Several items in the collection are in German. Typed translations are available. Kullman's name is rendered "Friedrich A. Kullman" in the earliest papers. The collection reveals a gradual Anglicization of the name.

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Folder 1: Papers, 1855-1866.

Confirmation and immigration certificates, military service papers, and letters to parents. Some of the papers are in German, with typed English translations.

Folder 2: Papers, 1888-1980.

Certificate of election, Benton County, Missouri, correspondence concerning Civil War service, papers regarding widows and pension of Babette Kullman, photographs of Friedrich and Ernest John Kullman, and miscellaneous genealogical data.

Folder 3: Diary, January-April 1865.

Accounts of service with Co. E, 13th Missouri Cavalry, at Rolla and Licking, Missouri.

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