

McLean County Museum of History

John McNulta Time Capsule Collection

Collection Information

VOLUME OF COLLECTION:	1 Box
COLLECTION DATES:	1868-1979
RESTRICTIONS:	None
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ALTERNATIVE FORMATS:	None
OTHER FINDING AIDS:	None
LOCATION:	Archives
NOTES:	

History and Scope

Contents of glass time capsule, originally compiled by members of the Grand Army of the Republic (GAR).

Labeled “Souvenirs of the meeting of the Society of the Army of the Tennessee. Held at Chicago November 1879. To be kept unopened for 100 years. Signed John McNulta.”

Opened by the McLean County Historical Society in November 1979

Folder Inventory

Folder 1: Media Coverage

1. "In Illinois: Cigars and Bottled History," *Time*, December 17, 1979.
2. "Time Capsule . . . A jarful of history," *Bloomington Normal Magazine*, January 1979.

Folder 2: Photographs

1. Time capsule.
2. Louisa McNulta.
3. John McNulta.

Folder 3: Wrappings

1. Wrapping used in the time capsule.

Folder 4: Contents, Miscellaneous I

1. Ribbon, "Army Reunion Tennessee Chicago, ILL. Dec. 15th 1868."
2. 50 cent U.S. Civil War fractional currency (Two items).
3. Ribbon "Society of the Army of the Tennessee – 13th Annual Re-Union Chicago, Nov. 13 & 13 1879.
4. Banquet ticket Society of the Army of the Tennessee Chicago November 13th 1879.
5. Ticket for reunion event "Parquette Circle" November 12th 1879.
6. Program for banquet Thirteenth Annual Banquet Society of Army of the Tennessee, Chicago, Nov 13, 1879 (on linen).

Folder 5: Contents, Banquet Menu

1. Banquet Menu "Thirteenth Annual Banquet of the Society of The Army of the Tennessee – Menu – Palmer House Nov. 13, 1879.

Folder 6: Contents, Miscellaneous II

1. Folder around cigar, to be smoked in 100 years.
2. Envelope addressed to Gen. McNulta.
3. Note regarding cigar.
4. Letter to Gen. McNulta dated Nov 13, 1879 (can't read name of sender).
5. Note by Gen. McNulta regarding two 50 cent U.S. factional Currency.

Folder 7: Contents, Newspaper Clippings

1. *The Chicago Times*, November 14, 1879, showing seating Arrangements at banquet attended by Pres. Ulysses Grant.

2. *Inter Ocean*, November 15, 1879, regarding banquet listing those present, report of 3rd day.
3. *The Chicago Times*, November 14, 1879, report of second day of reunion.
4. Unknown paper, unknown date, toast given for Army of the Tennessee and other toasts.
5. Unknown paper, unknown date, partial story about Chicago Veterans reunion.
6. *The Chicago _____*, unknown date, part of story of reunion
7. Unknown paper, unknown date, part of story of reunion.
8. *The Chicago Tribune*, November 14, 1879 (pp. 15-16), story about reunion including General Grant.
9. *The Chicago Times* November 13, 1879, article regarding arrival of General Grant, parade, etc.

Folder 8: Program, 1979 Opening

1. "It Happens Only Once Every Hundred Years!" Sunday November 11, 1979 1-4 P.M. Miller Park Pavilion, Bloomington, Illinois – sponsored by the McLean County Historical Society.