

Fred W. Litton papers

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Summary Information

Repository	Ouachita Baptist University Library
Title	Fred W. Litton papers
Date	1912-1919
Extent	0.5 Cubic feet (1 archive box)
Language	English
Language of Materials	English
Mixed materials [Box]	1

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Biographical Historical Note

Fred W. Litton of Prescott, Arkansas, was born February 26, 1896, to Charles H. and Lela W. Litton. He joined the Navy during World War I (WWI) and his service included about six months as an aerial machine gunner on a seaplane patrolling the Atlantic for submarines. Litton died while training in Pensacola, Florida, when a blood vessel exploded in his head during a high-altitude flight. According to the Arkansas Gazette, Litton's entire hometown honored him following his death: "All Business Houses Closed at Prescott During Ensign's Funeral." The local papers stated that he "was of sterling character and was held in the highest esteem by all who knew him." He was buried in De Ann Cemetery, Nevada County's largest cemetery. Litton's name was included on the War Memorial erected in Prescott, Arkansas, on November 5, 1950, by the American Legion and citizens of Nevada County.

Scope and Content

This collection includes a Prescott High School football team picture, "1912-1914," as well as a "Bluejacket's Manual" and several World War I - era airplane mechanics manuals. Photographs and correspondence are also included. There are small Christian Science scripture and literature books as well.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Correspondence

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Letters to Fred Litton, 1918-1919

Notes

Engineer gunner training notebook, with notes by "F.W. Litton: Class 4, Engineer Gunner"

Printed material

"Mechanics Manual: Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Florida"

Motor handbook drawings (with handwritten notes)

"Chrisian Science Quarterly: Bible Lessons," 1918 August

"Hymns for Male Voices," 1918

"Bluejacket's Manual, United States Navy," 1917

"Hand-Book of the Lewis Machine Gun (Airplane Type): Model 1917-18, Caliber.30"

"Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy, 1918

Newsclippings and Congress Hotel ribbon

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Photographs

Prescott High School football team "1912-1914"

Unidentified woman

Unidentified sailor in uniform

Three sailors in uniform