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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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