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## Robert Johnston Collection

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**Dates:** 1892-1920  
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## Biographical Note

Robert Alva Johnston was born to John and Susie Johnston in Lebanon Springs, NY, on August 6, 1889. He joined the United States Navy (Reserve Force) in 1917 and served on the U.S.S. Sultana.

Johnston received the Navy Cross for distinguished service and heroism related to actions on 17 April 1918 in the harbor of Quiberon, France.

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## Scope and Content of the Collection

The Robert Johnston Collection contains one folder of correspondence to Robert Johnston, one folder containing booklets collected by Johnston, and one folder containing postcards collected from locations in Europe. The bulk of the collection relates to Emery's time serving in France during World War I.

## Arrangement

The collection arrived in no discernible order. Staff has arranged the collection by item type.

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## Key Subjects

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## Subjects

Postcards  
Soldiers – United States – Correspondence  
World War, 1914-1918

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## Container List

Box	Folder	Item ID #	Title	Dates
1	1		<b>Correspondence</b>	<b>1892-1919</b>
		800218001	Prayer letter written to Johnston as a baby, by grandmother	8/6/1892
		800218002	Letter from commander of Gendarmerie of Arrondissement of La-Roche-Sur-Yon, announcing his replacement, in French	5/24/1919
		800218003	Translation of the previous document	5/24/1919
1	2		<b>Booklets</b>	<b>n.d.</b>
		800218004	Opera libretto - Faust Nouvelle Edition	n.d.

800218005	Souvenir booklet of photos of Pompei	n.d.
800218006	Promotional booklet for Neptune Association, union for masters and mates of steam ships	n.d.

1	3	Postcards	1917-1920
800218007	Reims in Ruins - At the center of town		n.d.
800218008	Reims in Ruins - Drouet-d'Erlon Place		n.d.
800218009	Reims in Ruins - Panorama of St-Nicaise Quarter		n.d.
800218010	Authors and principle collaborators, Pantheon de la Guerre		1918
800218011	Les Goumiers, Pantheon de la Guerre		1918
800218012	Monument aux Morts, Pantheon de la Guerre		1918
800218013	Les Cuirassiers, Pantheon de la Guerre		1918
800218014	Miss Edith Cavell, Pantheon de la Guerre		1918
800218015	Angleterre, Pantheon de la Guerre		1918
800218016	Belgique, Pantheon de la Guerre		1918
800218017	Etats-unis D'Amerique Le President Wilson, Pantheon de la Guerre		1918
800218018	La Serbie, Pantheon de la Guerre		1918
800218019	Roumanie, Pantheon de la Guerre		1918
800218020	Fragment de la Russie, Pantheon de la Guerre		1918
800218021	Alliance Russe 1914-1916, Pantheon de la Guerre		1918
800218022	Italie, Pantheon de la Guerre		1918
800218023	Berry-Au-Bac - Germar trenche or side of Hill No. 108		n.d.

800218024	Berry-Au-Bac - Ruins of the Sugar Factory	n.d.
800218025	Berry-Au-Bac - A corner of the Village and Hill No. 108	n.d.
800218026	Berry-Au-Bac - The Military Cemetery	n.d.
800218027	riot call	n.d.
800218028	The American sailors defiling - Independence Day 1919	1919
800218029	railway and palm trees	n.d.
800218030	Ship arriving with a cargo of lumber for reconstruction	10/9/1920
800218031	Brimont - Entrance of the Fort	n.d.
800218032	La Rochelle - St-John Street, The fish market, Study under the arches	n.d.
800218033	La Harazee en Argonne - Poste de Commandement Francais	n.d.
800218034	Berry-Au-Bac - The "Cholera"	n.d.
800218035	Musee du Luxembourg - Sarah Bernhardt	n.d.
800218036	Musee de L'Armee - Vue d'ensemble des Armures des XV, XVI, et XVII siecles	1919
800218037	Musee du Luxembourg - La Liberte éclairant le Monde	n.d.
800218038	Paris - La Conciergerie	1919
800218039	Genova - Panorama	1918
800218040	Malmo Realskolan	8/21/1920
800218041	Napoli - Piazza del Municipio col Monumento a Vittrio Emanuele	n.d.
800218042	Interior of Royal Theatre, Naples	n.d.
800218043	9th Engineers - Holiday Greetings, 1917-1918	12/25/1917
800218044	London - Thames embankment	1/10/1919

800218045	Brixham - Inner Harbour	n.d.
800218046	Riot Call Navy Patrol Car	n.d.
800218047	Riot Call Naval Patrols in Khaki coats	n.d.
800218048	Riot Call	n.d.
800218049	Riot Call	n.d.
800218050	Reims Cathedral	n.d.
800218051	Reims Cathedral	n.d.
800218052	Reims Cathedral	n.d.
800218053	Paris - Victory parade at Arc de Triomphe	7/14/1919
800218054	city wall	n.d.
800218055	Gas attack	n.d.
800218056	Dead German soldiers	n.d.
800218057	German soldiers ready to be buried	n.d.
800218058	Sailors in formation	n.d.
800218059	Sailors marching in parade	n.d.
800218060	Multiple formations of sailors awaiting review	n.d.
800218061	Sailors in formation	n.d.
800218062	Booklet of 20 postcards of Kristiania, Norway	n.d.
800218063	Hudson River Day Line Steamer, Alexander Hamilton	n.d.