

**Letter from Private First Class M.  
McDonald to Miss Retha Snapp**



HISTORY *Colorado*

---

This finding aid was produced using the Archivists' Toolkit

March 20, 2013

Describing Archives: A Content Standard

Stephen H. Hart Library and Research Center  
1200 Broadway  
Denver, Colorado, 80203  
303-866-2305  
[cosearch@state.co.us](mailto:cosearch@state.co.us)

## Table of Contents

---

|                                         |   |
|-----------------------------------------|---|
| <u>Summary Information</u> .....        | 3 |
| <u>Administrative Information</u> ..... | 4 |
| <u>Indexing Terms</u> .....             | 4 |
| <u>Accession Number</u> .....           | 4 |

## Summary Information

---

|                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Repository</b>              | Stephen H. Hart Library and Research Center                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Creator - Correspondent</b> | McDonald, M.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>Title</b>                   | Letter from Private First Class M. McDonald to Miss Retha Snapp                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>Date</b>                    | January 28, 1947                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>Extent</b>                  | 2.0 Item(s) One letter and one envelope.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Language</b>                | English                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Abstract</b>                | <p>This collection contains one envelop and one letter from Private First Class M. McDonald to Retha Snapp dated January 28, 1947. The letter details McDonald's stay near Leadville, Colorado. He gives a brief description of his living quarters and the town of Leadville. At this time little is known about McDonald. He appears to be a member of the 38th Regimental Combat Team and and possibly the Mountain and Cold Weather Training Detachment that was created in 1946 at Camp Carson, near Colorado Springs, Colorado. From 1947 to 51, training was extended by the school and the Detachment to such units as the 14th and 38th Regimental Combat Teams. The Mountain and Cold Weather Training Command was the only unit of its kind in the Army. The mission of the MCWTC was two- fold: to provide technical assistance in mountain and cold weather training for selected infantry regiments and their supporting units, and to develop mountain warfare doctrine, tactics and techniques by conducting extensive research and special projects in both summer and winter phases.</p> |

### Preferred Citation note

Cite as: Letter, Pfc M. McDonald to Miss Retha Snapp, January 28, 1947, Fort Carson, Colorado. Mss.02163 (Accession 2009.52.120), History Colorado.

## Administrative Information

---

### Conditions Governing Access note

Open to researchers without restrictions.

### Immediate Source of Acquisition note

Donated by Stan Oliner, 2008

### Processing Information note

Collection processed by Leigh Jeremias, 2013.

---

## Indexing Terms

---

### Subjects - Corporate Bodies

- United States. Army. Mountain and Cold Weather Training Detachment.
- United States. Army. Regimental Combat Team, 38th.

### Subjects - Places

- Camp Carson (Colo.)
- Leadville (Colo.)

### Subjects - People

- Snapp, Retha
- 

## Accession Number

---

2009.52.120