



## **“My Lark” (C0702)**

**Collection Number:** C0702

**Collection Title:** “My Lark”

**Dates:** 1911

**Creator:** Pyne, James M.

**Abstract:** Description by James M. Pyne, a volunteer infantryman, of his part in subduing the insurrection on the Philippine Islands, his fights against disease, and his experiences as he worked his way around the world as a seaman.

**Collection Size:** 0.02 cubic feet  
(1 folder)

**Language:** Collection materials are in English.

**Repository:** The State Historical Society of Missouri

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**Donor Information:** The item was donated to the University of Missouri by James M. Pyne on November 12, 1945 (Accession No. CA2718).

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**Historical Note:**

James M. Pyne was born in West Virginia in 1869. His parents were Virginia Shanklin and James Alexander Pyne. In August 1908, he married Eleanora Raeburn. They had one child, Robert.

Pyne moved to St. Louis as a young man. He obtained a law degree from the University of Missouri, and joined the Missouri bar, but he never practiced law. In 1899 he enlisted in the United States army, and he was sent to the Philippines. After his military service, he became a fur trader in the St. Louis area. His wife died in 1941, and he spent his final years living with his son in California.

Pyne died in June 1968 in Santa Rosa, California and is buried in St. Louis, Missouri.

**Arrangement:**

The collection has been maintained in its original order.

**Scope and Content Note:**

The collection contains a description by a volunteer infantryman, of his part in subduing the insurrection on the Philippine Islands, his fights against disease, and his experiences as he worked his way around the world as a seaman.

**Container List:**

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