In 1917, Texans joined their fellow Americans in answering President Woodrow Wilson’s call to arms in defense of liberty. They boldly entered the fray of the Great War. Their experiences, service, courage and sacrifices – from the home front to the western trenches of France – were recorded in letters, diaries, photographs, newspapers and official records long after the armistice of November 11, 1918.

This year, Texas Archives Month commemorates the 100th anniversary of America’s entry into the First World War and recognizes the efforts of archivists, archival institutions and volunteers who collect, preserve and provide access to this rich documentary history through a growing number of online, digital collections like the ones pictured here. For more information, visit www.thrab.org.

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