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Biographical Note

Military drill was introduced on a compulsory basis for boys in 1884 by Mr. Albert W. Bacheler, a Civil War veteran and Principal of Gloucester High School. While a confederate prisoner, Bacheler noted a need for leadership training among young men. During subsequent years, the Gloucester High School cadets comprised one of the battalions of the Second Massachusetts Cadet Regiment. In 1921, the high school cadets became a Junior R.O.T.C. unit under the National Defense Act of 1916. M.S.G. William E. Dailey became the first instructor and a Dailey Medal as well as a Bacheler Medal are still presented at the annual R.O.T.C. field day. The most

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prestigious award, presented annually, is the Haskell medal. Edward H. Haskell, a local Civil War veteran, offered a gold medal to the best drilled cadet in 1886. It has been offered in all the subsequent years.

The J. R.O.T.C. sponsors a formal dance, the Military Ball, which originated in 1893. A military Gymkhana Night is held during January when competitive individual and squad drills are held. Other activities are a Field Day in the spring and a band concert.

R.O.T.C. was traditionally a male organization; females originally had separate drill squads. Following WW II, the squads became mixed.

Acquisition Note

From the estates of Robert Malone (class of '44) and Gardner Marchant (class of '46) and donated to the Cape Ann Museum by Arley Pett.

Scope and Content of the Collection

The material presented to the Cape Ann Museum was collected by Robert Malone, Class of 1944, and Gardner Marchant, Class of 1946. Malone was the cadet Colonel in 1944 and Marchant was the Drum Major in 1946. Both continued to be active supporters of the Gloucester R.O.T.C. in the following years. The collection includes photos, newspaper clippings, and brochures.

Container List

Box #1

Folder 1

Dance cards: 1912/1946/1948/1949
Brochure: (4) Military Field day 100th Anniversary
(2) Gloucester High School Song copyright 1913
Brochure: Spring Concert R.O.T.C. Band 1946
Photo: R.O.T.C. officers 1943/44, 1945/46
Brochure: 46th Anniversary 1931
Brochure: 60th Anniversary 1945
Brochure: 61st Anniversary 1946
Music Festival, R.O.T.C. Band 1946
Brochure: Spring Concert R.O.T.C. Band 1947

Folder 2

Letter from Richard Shoemaker enclosing documents of Colonel Russell G. Spinney army career, awards during career

Photos – Retirement from Army

Battle maps of 1st Division – N. Africa 1942, Sicily 1943, Europe, 1944/45

Folder 3

50th Anniversary

Newspaper clippings

Photo – 4 cadets (unknown)

Photos – Cadets marching (1927)

Pin – Pat Goodwin, Class of 1927

Photos –

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|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. Cadets marching 1930's | 9. Cadet 1930's |
| 2. Cadets marching 1930's | 10. Cadet 1930's |
| 3. Field Day 1930's | 11. Band Parade 1930's |
| 4. Parade Float 1930's | 12. Cadets marching 1930's |
| 5. Cadet 1930's | 13. Field Day 1930's |
| 6. Cadets marching 1930's | 14. Cadets Field Day 1930's |
| 7. Vets marching 1930's | 15. Band marching 1930's |
| 8. Crowd 1930's | 16. Field Day 1930's |

Folder 4

Pamphlets donated by Bob Malone

Gloucester High 25th reunion 1944-1969

High School Drill Competition 1981

R.O.T.C. Band Spring Concert 1945/1947/1950/1961

Military Field day 1960/1965/1969/1971/1975/1976/1977/1978/1979/1984

Folder 5

Misc. newspaper clippings 1957-58

Photos: Col. Mike LaFond, Maj. Charles Bruce, Capt. James Curtis

Cadets marching

Folder 6

Misc. newspaper clippings 1958-59

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Bus trip 1959

Officials Field Day 1959

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Misc. newspaper clippings 1960/61

Folder 8

Misc. newspaper clippings 1970's

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1. Honor Guard 1985/86
2. Adults holding trophy
3. Presentation – School letter
4. 2 adults, female holding Trophy
5. Trophies
6. Cadets cleaning guns
7. Cadets looking at target
8. R.O.T.C. Drum
9. Cadets on tank
10. Firing range
11. 4 officers – Field Dress
12. 3 students receiving awards
13. Cadets marching
14. Band marching
15. Female cadets marching
16. Cadet awards
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19. Field Day photos (6)
20. Award Winners 1985
21. Regular officers
22. Cadets with Gov. Dukakis
23. Cadets with rifles
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30. Rifle range instructors
31. Award ceremony
32. Award ceremony
33. Officers – Field Day 1976
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Misc. Newspaper clippings/Pamphlets 1970's

Article, *Gloucester Times*, May 29, 1976, Edward H. Haskell

Photos

1. 3 cadet officers 1977
2. Female drill team
3. Charles Buckley 1973 or 1974
4. Cadet – unknown drill team
5. Cadets with Gov. King, R.O.T.C. Day, Nov. 27, 1979
6. Honor Guard Field Day 59/60
7. Honor Guard
8. 6 male cadets - 1 female cadet
9. Lt. Col. Brophy/M.Sgt. Cannizaro
10. 92nd Annual Sgts. Party 1976
11. Cadets reenacting Iwo Jima Flag
12. Female cadets 1975
14. Female cadets
15. Male officer cadets
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19. Cadets with flag
20. Female cadets at attention
21. Female cadets at attention
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25. R.O.T.C. officers with Gov. Dukakis
26. Drill team 1974-75

13. Female cadet M.Sgt.

Folder 11

Misc. Newspaper Articles/Pamphlets 1970's

Photos

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| 1. Drill team (male) | 14. Female Drill Team |
| 2. Cadets at attention | 15. Field Day |
| 3. Female Rifle Team 1971/72 | 16. Field Day |
| 4. Female Drill Team | 17. Cadets at attention |
| 5. Female Drill Team marching (5) | 18. Field Day Band |
| 6. Female cadet Deb Olson | 19. Cadet at attention |
| 7. Jump Tower - Ft. Devens
Nov. 1978 | 20. Cadets Co. D |
| 8. Male cadets at attention | 21. Cadets - Flags |
| 9. Female drill team | 22. Cadets at attention |
| 10. Male cadets Co. C | 23. Female - rappelling tower |
| 11. Sgt. Critch | 24. Cadets at attention |
| 12. Sgt. Cannizaro | 25. Female cadets marching |
| 13. Principal Gentile, V.P. Shirley
Cohen, Lt.C Brophy | 26. Males - marching Field Day |
| | 27. Males Co. C |
| | 28. Males and Females Co. C |

Box 2

Folder 12

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Photos

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| 1. Cadets at attention | 36. Joe Lautin, Mike Frances, Bruce Maciel |
| 2. Officers and officials 1984 | 37. Cadet officers 1984 |
| 3. Cadets lined up | 38. Color Guard 1984 |
| 4. Cadet officers | 39. Color Guard 1982/83 |
| 5. Female Honor Guard | 40. Flag Day 1984 |
| 6. Officers party | 41. Flag Day 1984 |
| 7. Officers receiving
proclamation | 42. Flag Day 1984 |
| 8. Color Guard 1984 | 43. Trophy winners 1984, Gerry Wheeler, Tina
Nelson, Andrew Roberts |
| 9. Cadet officers 1982/83 | |
| 10. Couple - Officers Ball | 44. Trophy winners 1984 |
| 11. Guests 1983/84 | 45. Trophy winner 1984 |
| 12. Officers Ball 1984 | 46. Trophy winner 1984 - Tina Nelson |
| 13. Officers Ball 1984 | 47. Co-ed rifle team 1983/84 |
| 14. Officers Ball 1984 | 48. Flag Day 1984 |
| 15. Officers Ball 1984 | 49. Trophy winner |
| 16. Officers (regular army) 1984 | 50. Girls' Rifle Squad 1980/81 |
| 17. Awards 1984 | 51. Boys' Rifle Squad 1973 |

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| 18. Cadets 1980/81 | 52. Cadet officers |
| 19. Cadets at attention 1984 | 53. Cadets at attention |
| 20. Cadets at attention 1983/84 | 54. Cadets at attention |
| 21. Officials 1983/84 | 55. Cadet Col. |
| 22. Officials/cadets 1983/84 | 56. Cadet Col. |
| 23. Male drill team 1984 | 57. Cadet Col. |
| 24. Drill team 1984 | 58. Cadets at attention |
| 25. Army officers 1984 | 59. Cadets at attention |
| 26. Cadets with Gov. King 1982/83 | |
| 27. Officials with cadet Col. 1984 | 60. Cadets at attention |
| 28. Cadets with Gov. King 1982 | 61. Cadets Co. B |
| 29. Drill team 1984 | 62. Cadets Honor Guard |
| 30. Officers 1982/83 | 63. Cadets at attention |
| 31. Army officers with Gov. King
1982 | 64. Cadets at attention |
| 32. Cadets relaxing 1984 | 65. Award ceremony |
| 33. Flag Day ceremony 1983 | 66. Cadets at attention |
| 34. Ed Pasquince, Lt. Col. Warren
Silva, Cadet Capt. James
Officer | 67. Cadets - indoor drill |
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Folder 14

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Folder 17

Misc. information - Robert Malone, Class of 1944

Photos

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| 1. 2 photos: cadets at attention
1920's/30's, cadets marching | 7. Bob Malone and Phyllis Douglas |
| 2. Football coaches 1943
Cururu, Frigard, Twomey | 8. Bob Malone and service friends |
| 3. Basketball team 1943/44 | 9. Phyllis Douglas |
| 4. Girls - group includes Phyllis | 10. Unknown sailor |
| | 11. Malone 1944 |
| | 12. Malone and friends |

- Malone (Douglas) 13. Malone and friends
5. Bob Malone and Phyllis Douglas
 6. Basketball team 1941

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Photos

1. Robert Thompson Col. 1904
2. Cadets marching 1895/1900 (2)
3. Individual drill - Jeff, Eddie, Gardner
4. Award ceremony 1940
5. Band marching 1942/43
6. Band
7. Female cadets 1948/49
8. Band marching 1944/45
9. Prize squad winners 1941/42
10. Rifle team 1944
11. Cadet officers 1896: Herman Herrick, DeScott Mooring, Ralph Parsons, William Gamage, Joseph Proctor, John Somes, Jeremiah Foster, Ralph Cunningham
12. Cadets marching, etc. (14)
13. Awards (8)
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Anniversary Pamphlets

- 50th - 1885-1935 (3)
- 75th -1885-1960 (5)
- 100th - 1885-1985 (3)

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2. Group of cadets 1930's
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7. Cadet officers 1944 (R. Malone)
8. Cadets 1943 (R. Malone)
9. Female marching 1957
10. Cadets - swords 1954
11. Cadet officers 1910
12. Cadets at attention 1909
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17. Cadets 1920's
18. Cadet 1960's
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21. Rifle team 1976
22. Honor Guard 1973
23. Medal award 1941
24. Marching Band 1946
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Scanned Documents in Notebooks

Notebook #1 - 1885-1939

Notebook #2 - 1940's

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1. Cadet officers 1916
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3. Parade 1910
4. Field trip Washington, D.C. 1953
(3 copies, 1 signed by all present)
5. Co. I, R.O.T.C. Ft. Mead 1949
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7. Female cadets marching 1959
8. Female rifle squad 1888
9. Large photo - cadet 1900's
10. Band 1922-25
11. Football team 1942
12. Robert Malone
13. Band 1943