

Fort Drum Collection

Mss. Coll. No. 36

.25 linear feet

History

Fort Drum has been used as a military training site since 1908 when it was known as Pine Camp. The first major expansion of Pine Camp came with the outbreak of WWII. Pine Camp became Camp Drum in 1951, named after Lt. Gen. Hugh A. Drum who commanded the First Army during World War II. The post was designated Fort Drum in 1974 and a permanent garrison was assigned. In April 1980, B. Company, 76th Engineer Battalion was reassigned there from Fort Meade, Md. On September 11, 1984 it was announced that Fort Drum would become the new home of the 10th Light Infantry Division. The first division of troops arrived on December 3, 1984 and the unit was officially activated on February 13, 1985 - when its name was changed to the 10th Mountain Division (Light Infantry). In 1998, Fort Drum consists of approximately 107,000 acres whose mission is to command active units assigned to the installation, provide administrative and logistical support to units, support to active and reserve units from all services in training at Fort Drum, and planning and support for the mobilization and training of almost 80,000 troops annually.

Scope & Content

The Fort Drum Collection consists of 10 folders of photocopied newspaper clippings and three folders of miscellaneous material on the expansion of Fort Drum. These materials were assembled by Lisa Sizeland, a former student who graduated in 1987.

Box 1

Folder 1: Fort Drum in the News. September, 1984.

Folder 2: Fort Drum in the News. October, 1984.

Folder 3: Fort Drum in the News. November, 1984.

Folder 4: Fort Drum in the News. December, 1984.

Folder 5: Fort Drum in the News. January, 1985.

Folder 6: Fort Drum in the News. February, 1985.

Folder 7: Fort Drum in the News. March, 1985.

Folder 8: Fort Drum in the News. April, 1985.

Folder 9: Fort Drum in the News. May, 1985.

Folder 10: Fort Drum in the News. June, 1985. *(Note: many clippings in this folder are undated)*

Folder 11: Fort Drum: Local Planning for Fort Drum.

Folder 12: Fort Drum: Small Town.

Folder 13: Fort Drum: Pine Camp ephemera.

