

## Fort Meade

Located in Meade County east of Sturgis. First created as a post in 1878.

### Collections

#### **DeLand, Charles Edmund (H69-005)**

Papers, 1890-1935. DeLand, a lawyer, historian and author, corresponded with Major Frederick T. Wilson, Adjutant General's Office, War Department, about the location of Fort Tecumseh, Fort Pierre, Fort Sully, Fort Meade, Fort Randall and Fort Thompson. 3339A

#### **Draime, Royal (H92-126)**

Fort Meade POW Papers and Negatives, 1945, 1988. Sgt. Draime was assigned to Fort Meade in 1945 and oversaw the activities of twenty German POW's. The collection contains negatives of the POW's, a copy of Draime's orders, a copy of Draime's letter to Mr. Tom Buecker at the Nebraska Historical Society, 1988; and a copy of a letter from Mr. Buecker to the Ft. Meade Museum, 1988. 216A

#### **8<sup>th</sup> U.S. Cavalry Veterans Association (H82-062)**

Roster History, 1936. The 8<sup>th</sup> U.S. Cavalry was organized in 1866 shortly after the Civil War. After serving in New Mexico Territory and Texas the headquarters were at Fort Meade from 1888 until the start of the Spanish American War in 1898. This booklet, printed in 1936, and lists the names of officers, enlisted men, and their troop. Box 3600A

#### **Fort Meade (H96-033)**

Photograph and Thanksgiving Day Menus, 1905-1907. Photograph of Bear Butte with Fort Meade in the distance and 1905 and 1906 Thanksgiving Day menus. 6074A

#### **Fort Meade (H95-044)**

Photographs of Troop A 6<sup>th</sup> Cavalry, 1905-1907. Collection consists of black and white photographs of Fort Meade and Troop A 6<sup>th</sup> Cavalry. 6026B

#### **General Photograph (H91-091)**

Photograph of H Troop, 6<sup>th</sup> Cavalry, Sturgis, 1906. The image is of a group of 29 soldiers seated around a fire. The verso reads "H Troop 6<sup>th</sup> Cavalry in Camp two miles west of Sturgis, S.D. and Troop H 6<sup>th</sup> U.S. Cavalry field against Ute Indians Nov. and Dec. 1906." 5518B

#### **General Photograph (H91-114)**

Negative and photocopies of original photograph of Troop C, 4<sup>th</sup> Cavalry, 1941. This is a group photo of Troop C, 4<sup>th</sup> Cavalry in uniform at Fort Meade. The names and ranks of those pictured are listed on the reverse of the photo. 5483B

### **General Photograph (P94)**

Includes the following images: fire engine, 1897; 8<sup>th</sup> Cavalry buglers, 1894; magazine; cavalry stables; officer's quarters, 1892, 1894, 1897, 1899-1900; cutting and packing ice, 1897; snow plow, 1897; blacksmith and wheelright shops; sawmill; reservoir; birds eye views 1882, 1894, 1912; military exercises, 1897; ordinance storehouse; whist party, 8<sup>th</sup> Cavalry officers, 1892; band quarters; barracks; subsistence storehouse; color guard, 1897; firing the national salute, July 4, 1897; interior views of the Fort Meade Museum; headquarters building; commanding officers' parlor, 1895, 1896, 1897; guard mount; new guard house; subsistence root house; Troop I 13<sup>th</sup> Cavalry; Capt. Charles W. Fenton, Commander of Troop I, 13<sup>th</sup> Cavalry; photo of Fort Meade with Bear Butte in the distance by Grabill, 1888; three color postcard views of Fort Meade and Bear Butte; Troop A 4<sup>th</sup> Cavalry; Troop B 4<sup>th</sup> Cavalry Cossack riding at Fort Meade; barrack interior, Q.M. stable; cavalry stable; carpenter and tin shop; hospital steward quarters; bakery; wagon shed; commissary sgts. Quarters; granary; decoration day, 1897; H Troop and band of the 8<sup>th</sup> Cavalry, 1897; officers quarters and birds eye view by the photographer W.R. Cross; school house; library, reading room and exchange; bath house; chapel; guard house; Black Horse Troop at the Black Hills Roundup in 1931; George W. Scott image of C Troop at Fort Meade; grindstone rock near Fort Meade; and eight Albert Pollock images of the officers quarters, Fort Meade looking west, Bear Butte, birds eye of Fort Meade in 1879, Fort Sturgis near Bear Butte, and camp in 1878.

### **Grabill, John C. (P191)**

Photograph Collection, 1876-1891. In October of 1886, Grabill set up a studio in Sturgis, Dakota Territory, where he worked until early 1891. His most memorable photographs relating to Indian people are those taken at Pine Ridge Agency shortly after the Wounded Knee massacre in December 1890. Images in this collection include Company O, 3<sup>rd</sup> U.S. Infantry posed to take aim, 1890; Company C. 3<sup>rd</sup> U.S. Infantry; General Miles & staff viewing the largest Indian camp in the U.S. near Pine Ridge, 1891; General Taylor and 70 Indian scouts, 1891; U.S. officials viewing hostile Indian camp; Comanche, 1876; Paul Wernert & gunners of Battery E, 1<sup>st</sup> Artillery, 1891; officers of the 9<sup>th</sup> Cavalry, 1891; Fighting 7<sup>th</sup> Officers formal portrait; Fort Meade, 1888; "Grand Review" of U.S. troops; officers quarters at Fort Meade, 1889; and Fort Meade with Bear Butte in the distance, 1888.

### **Lee, Robert. (H75-145)**

Manuscript, 1970. This manuscript deals with the two trials of Major Marcus Reno and includes incidental information on the establishment of Fort Meade. 3542B

### **Mann, James Defrees. (H78-026)**

Letters, 1879, 1891. This collection consists of two letters. One letter was written by Seventh Cavalry Officer Mann, in which he describes an expedition against Indians. The other letter was written by Mann's mother. Box 3571B

## **Returns from U.S. Military Posts (MF48)**

Post returns for Fort Meade from August 1878 to December 1891. Includes names of enlisted men and commissioned officers, ranks, regiments, companies, remarks and a record of events for that month. (MF 1625)

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## **Vertical Files**

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