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LYNCHBURG HOME GUARD COTILLION MEMORABILIA, 8 NOVEMBER 1912

Collection includes banner, invitation, and admission ticket for the 53rd anniversary cotillion of the Home Guard. The admission ticket is for Captain Charles M. Blackford, Jr. It also includes newspaper clippings of the cotillion and several clippings of the Guard's history.

LYNCHBURG HOME GUARD

The Lynchburg Home Guard was organized as part of the 131st Regiment of Virginia troops on 8 November 1859. The unit was mustered into State service as Co. G, 11th Virginia Infantry during the Civil War. Following the war, the unit was reorganized in 1871. In 1881, the Home Guard was re-designated as Co. E of the 3rd Regiment of infantry. The unit served in Federal service as Co. E, 3rd Volunteer Infantry during Spanish American War. In 1900, it was again re-designated as Co. E, 70th Infantry, which became 1st Infantry in 1908. In 1916, the unit was designated as the Virginia National Guard and trained on the Mexican-American border. The Lynchburg Home Guard also served in World War I and World War II.