

COLLECTION SUMMARY

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Separated material Mallets and trophy in artifact storage.

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Subject headings

Clinton (III.) -- History DeWitt County (III.) – History. Croquet -- History



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SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

Documents related to the Clinton Croquet Club, later the Clinton Roque Club.

ORGANIZATIONAL HISTORY

"The Clinton Croquet Club, which became the Clinton Roque Club in 1941, was organized by some men living in the southeast part of Clinton, Illinois. Wanting to play on bare ground, they built a court at the home of Leslie Jackson, 815 West Adams Street. The wood boundary was replaced several years later with used railroad rails which permitted bank shots.

Clinton held a Labor Day Croquet Tournament each year from 1932-1982. Croquet and roque clubs throughout Central Illinois were represented. The entry fee during the early tournaments was twenty-five cents. Many players wanted to play more than one game for their quarter so double elimination was played."

"Clinton Roque Club" Clinton 1835-1985, DeWitt County 1839-1985, 1985, pp. 55-56.

A permanent court was built on Illini Drive between N. Walnut Street and West Main Street.



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COLLECTION INVENTORY

<u>Folder Title</u>	Box <u>Number</u>	Folder <u>Number</u>
Photo Two Ladies Playing Croquet (3), 1961	1	1
Council of Clubs- Constitution, 1959	1	2
List of Clinton Clubs and Organization, 1968	1	3
Group Shot #1, undated	1	4
Photo: Four Ladies Playing Croquet, undated	1	5
News Paper: "Roque players keep aging game alive", 1989	1	6
Roque club, 1931-1986, undated	1	7
Clinton Roque Club: 2 Photos, undated	1	8
"The Clinton Roque Club As I Remembered It" 17 page paper, Undated	1	9
Newspaper Clipping- "Enjoying the Game", 1992	1	10
Clinton Roque Club member list and photo copy of book page (4) & sticky notes, undated	1	11
Correspondence: Letter from Richard Underwood to Dick Underwood, 1944	1	12
Letter to 'Weed' (?) from Rob about copies of deed and keys, undated	1	13
"The Clinton Roque Club As I Remembered It" 17 page paper, Undated	1	14
Four Clinton Roque Club photos, undated	1	15
Mail to Omer C. Spitzer, 'Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Illinois' pamphlet & order form for Templar magazine, 1965	1	16
Group Shot #2 (2), undated	1	11



Group Shot #3 (2), Undated	1	12
Note on mowing dues from M.W. Peny (?), undated	1	13
Assorted receipts (17 items), 1931-33	1	14
Ledger of Members and Dues, 1931-33	1	15
Ledger for Receipts, 1934-37	1	16
<i>The American Roque League, INC annual Report</i> and envelope addressed to Herman Bullord, Treasurer, 1977	1	17
Hinois State Croquet Tournament list of players & Brackett, 1961	1	18
Labor Day Tournament Papers, 1967	1	19
The American Roque League, INC Annual Report, 1964	1	20
Letter to 'Fellow Roque Players' from Paul Ferguson President of Roque League (2 pgs), 1965	1	21
Hand written Final Standings and note about keys from 'Smitty' to CB Smith, 1969	1	22
Score Sheet, undated	1	23
Labor Day Tournament Brackett, 1966	1	24
Hand written score sheet and 2 lists of names, 1961	1	25
2 envelopes, 1 unopened-1 with recruitment letter, to Mr Amos Spitzer, 1965	1	26
Hand written Brackett sheet, undated	1	27
Tournament ribbons earned by Rex Bell (10)	1	28
Cerro Gordo Croquet Tournament trophy, 1953 Donated by Rex Bell	Artifact	
Mallets that belonged to Rex Bell and Joe Bell (2)	Artifact	