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**Unit Date**

1905-1960

**Language**

English

**Creator**

Townes, John E. (John Edward), 1886-1970

**Extent**

1 cubic feet

**Physical Location**

Manuscripts stacks and oversized case 2

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## **Biographical / Historical**

John Edward Townes was born in 1886 and graduated from VMI in 1907. During World War I he served in France with the American Expeditionary Force (AEF). From 1921 to 1956 he was a Professor of History at VMI. Townes died in 1970.

## **Scope and Contents**

This collection consists of photograph albums, diplomas, and papers that document the life of John E. Townes. The photos depict both his VMI cadetship and his subsequent career in the United States Army Coast Artillery Corps (1908-1920) and at VMI as a faculty member (1921-1956).

## **Keywords**

Virginia Military Institute—Cadet life—1900-1909

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Virginia Military Institute—Photographs

Virginia Military Institute—Faculty

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Diplomas

Photograph albums

Artillery, Coast

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