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Posting: Town Hall with Guns
 Poster: Julie
 Date: 11 January 2005 12:59 AM

Posting 1

Well, I've registered and followed all the instructions and hopefully I've posted a postcard picture of the Willimantic town hall. I do not know the year, but there are two guns outside. I picked this up at the Coventry flea market a couple of years ago. Anyone know what the guns were for?



Posting: Re: Town Hall with Guns
 Poster: Francis "Whitey" Sellars
 Date: 11 January 2005 1:13 PM

Posting 2

I believe them cannons on the lawn on high st. were from the civil war error.

Posting: Re: Town Hall with Guns
 Poster: the eyes of the city
 Date: 11 January 2005 3:01 PM

Posting 3

the guns and all the other items of value were stolen from the town hall by the some of the select-person who were and still charged with running out city.
 They and their friends who remodeled the city hall over the years made off with most of the good stuff.

I have names if you are interested.

Posting: Re: Town Hall with Guns
 Poster: Civil war aficionado
 Date: 11 January 2005 4:52 PM

Posting 4

The items are field artillery pieces from the civil war, never referred to as guns. The town hall at one time hosted the local chapter of the Grand Army of the Republic, and their meeting hall was just loaded with civil war memorabilia... It's anyone's guess just where these treasures ended up.

Posting: Re: Town Hall with Guns
 Poster: Julie
 Date: 13 January 2005 6:54 PM

Posting 5

Sorry for calling them guns Mr Afficianado! That's what they look like to me. Here's another view of them. I also think this picture of

the town hall is neat because you get a great view of it before the big trees were planted.



Posting: Re: Town Hall with Guns Posting 6
 Poster: JEFF
 Date: 15 January 2005 4:30 PM

The two cannons were at the town garage for a long time. When i worked there they were in a heap out in the back and i have no clue where they went. Prob for scrap knowing the management at the public works.

Posting: Re: Town Hall with Guns Posting 7
 Poster: Civil War Afficionado
 Date: 16 January 2005 7:54 AM

Jeff, That sounds a bit absurd. A pair of Civil War vintage field artillery pieces depending upon condition , and provenace could bring in the vicinity of \$50 000. Is there any public official in the city of Willimantic who's playing with a full deck?

Posting: Re: Town Hall with Guns Posting 8
 Poster: Ernie Gesner
 Date: 16 January 2005 12:13 AM

Ebay has a nice postcard of the old Windham High School at

<http://cgi.aol.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&category=20200&item=6145484002&rd=1>

Posting: Re: Town Hall with Guns Posting 9
 Poster: Godfrey Postlethwaite
 Date: 18 January 2005 12:44 AM

Thanks for alerting me to that Ernie. Here it is:



I seem to be getting the hang of this now! I hope!! Anyway, I'm so ancient I remember the gymnasium being built!

Posting: Re: Town Hall with Guns Posting 10
 Poster: jim
 Date: 25 January 2005 2:30 PM

The two guns, yes guns or cannons to others, were aquired by a local bussiness man.They laid behind his garage for a number of years when they were sold to a collector.The fact is my Dad saw them and told me about them and when I finally got around to look into perhaps getting my hands on one they were gone. Always kickedg myself that I waited too long .I remember playing on them when I was a kid.Oh well..

Posting: Re: Town Hall with Guns
Poster: Ada
Date: 25 January 2005 4:29 PM

Posting 11

I was at Natchaug when Case Gym was built, but my father bought some of the rock blasted out of the site and had a terrace build in front of our house.