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Summary Information

Repository: Raymond H. Fogler Library Special Collections Department
Creator: Davee, Lawrence Weston
Title: Lawrence Weston Davee Papers
ID: SpC MS 1399
Date [inclusive]: 1917-1981
Physical Description: 2 boxes
Physical Location: 
Language of the Material: English
Abstract: The collection contains papers of Lawrence W. Davee and also contains some information about his father, Everett W. Davee.

Preferred Citation

Lawrence Weston Davee Papers, SpC MS 1399, [Box No.], [Folder No.], Raymond H. Fogler Library Special Collections Department, University of Maine, Orono, Maine

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Biographical Note

Lawrence W. Davee, the son of Everett and Sarah Weston Davee, was born in Foxcroft, Maine, on March 28, 1900. He graduated from the University of Maine in 1922 with a degree in electrical engineering. His professional life was spent developing the process for putting sound on film; he was also responsible for many other technological developments in the motion picture industry. He was the recipient of numerous industry awards as well as an honorary doctor of science degree from the University of Maine in 1976. A resident of Tenafly, N.J., Davee and his wife Muriel Goodrich Davee, moved to Orono, Maine, after his retirement in 1975. Lawrence Davee died on September 30, 1993.

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Biographical Note

Everett W. Davee, the son of Jonathan and Lucretia Willard Davee and the father of Lawrence W. Davee, was born on January 3, 1875, in Foxcroft, Maine. He worked at the University of Maine for many years as an instructor in mechanical engineering, retiring in 1940. He died on November 27, 1951.

Scope and Contents

The collection contains papers of Lawrence W. Davee and includes biographical information, photographs, membership certificates and information about awards he received from the University of Maine. It also contains a small amount of information about his father, Everett W. Davee, including membership certificates and items from the dedication of a memorial plaque in his honor at the University of Maine.

Administrative Information

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- Education
- Motion picture projection -- History
- Sound engineers
- Sound in motion pictures
- Davee, Lawrence Weston
- Davee, Everett W.
- University of Maine -- Alumni and alumnae
- University of Maine -- Employees
- University of Maine -- History

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