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Descriptive Summary

Unit ID

Ms.1974.004

Unit Date

1918-1973

Language

The materials in the collection are in English.

Abstract

The collection consists of materials regarding the professional, civic, and personal activities of Erwin Hoge Will.

Creator

Will, Erwin Hoge, 1900-1989

Extent

1 Cubic Feet 1 box

Repository

Special Collections and University Archives, Virginia Tech

Administrative Information

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Biographical Note

Born in Richmond, Virginia, on January 8, 1900, Erwin Hoge Will graduated with a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering from Virginia Polytechnic Institute (Virginia Tech) in 1922. Will went on to serve a president and chief executive of the El Paso Electric Company as well as president and chairman of the board of directors for the Virginia Electric and Power Company. In addition, Will also held leadership positions with several civic improvement groups such as the Red Cross, the Rotary Club, the Chamber of Commerce, and the Masons. He died on Nov. 29, 1989, and is buried with his wife Virginia Simpson Will (1903-1998) in the Riverview Cemetery in Richmond.

External Source:

"Erwin Hoge Will", Findagrave.com, <https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/170862203/erwin-hoge-will>, accessed March 20, 2024.

Scope and Content

This collection contains materials concerning Erwin H. Will's professional achievements while working for the Virginia Electric and Power Company and the El Paso Electric Company; civic activities with groups such as the Red Cross, the Rotary Club, the Chamber of Commerce, and the Masons; as well as Virginia Tech memorabilia including dance cards, sheet music to "Tech Triumph," and 1922 commencement information.

Related Archival Materials

Several photographs from Erwin Hoge Will are in the Historical Photograph Collection in the folders for FOOTBALL - 1910-20 and BUGLE - 1922 COLLECTION.

Keywords

Local/Regional History and Appalachian South

Science and Technology

Students and alumni

University History

Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College and Polytechnic Institute (1896-1944)

Virginia Polytechnic Institute (1944-1970)

Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (1970-)

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Arrangement

This collection is arranged alphabetically by subject matter.

Description of Subordinate Components

Biographical Information

Unit Date n.d.

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Professional and Civic Activities

Unit Date 1928-1932

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

Professional and Civic Activities

Unit Date 1935-1942

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 3 (folder)

Professional and Civic Activities

Unit Date 1942-1947

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 4 (folder)

Professional and Civic Activities

Unit Date 1947-1955

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 5 (folder)

Includes information about Virginia Tech's World War II Memorial

Professional and Civic Activities

Unit Date 1955-1960

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 6 (folder)

Professional and Civic Activities

Unit Date 1960-1965

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 7 (folder)

Professional and Civic Activities

Unit Date 1965-1970

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 8 (folder)

Includes a history of the Virginia Electric and Power Company written by Will

Professional and Civic Activities**Unit Date** 1970-1973**box-folder** 1 (box)**Container** 9 (folder)**Queen of England, Visit to Virginia****Unit Date** 1957**box-folder** 1 (box)**Container** 10 (folder)

Includes an invitation to a luncheon with Queen Elizabeth II

Travel**Unit Date** 1957-1971**box-folder** 1 (box)**Container** 11 (folder)

Destinations include Europe, the Caribbean, Scandinavia, South America, and Africa

Virginia Polytechnic Institute**Unit Date** 1918-1922**box-folder** 1 (box)**Container** 12 (folder)

Photocopy of Will's 1922 Diploma

1922 Commencement Program

Basketball and Football Records

"Tech Triumph" Sheet Music

Dance Cards

Two 1918 Photographs of the Cadet Corps

Virginia's 350th Anniversary Commission**Unit Date** 1956**box-folder** 1 (box)**Container** 13 (folder)

Includes information concerning the grave of Pocahontas (Rebecca Rolfe) at Gravesend, England