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1978



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Abstract

"Washington, D.C. 50 Mile Radius Map" published in 1978 by the Alexandria Drafting Company.

Creator

Alexandria Drafting Company

source

Truax, Robert A.

Extent

.01 Linear Feet 1 folder

Physical Location

R 73, C 2, S 4

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George Mason University. Libraries. Special Collections Research Center

Administrative Information

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There are no access restrictions.

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Biographical Information

Robert Armistead Truax was born in Washington, D.C. on June 29, 1915. A 70-year member of the National Railway Historical Society and a founding member of the Tractioneers, Truax was best known as a historian of Washington, D.C. with a particular expertise in the history of streetcars in the capital. He passed away on May 24, 2009 at the age of 93 and is buried in Arlington National Cemetery.

Scope and Content

"Washington, D.C. 50 Mile Radius Map" published in 1978 by the Alexandria Drafting Company. When unfolded, one side displays a map depicting Washington, D.C. and the 50 mile radius surrounding area including the Pennsylvania state line to the north, Fredericksburg, Virginia to the south, Cambridge, Maryland to the east, and Martinsburg, West Virginia to the west. This side also includes a detailed alphabetical Index of Streets at the bottom, which is continued on the reverse side. This side also includes the full list of Route Numbers, Place Names, Airports, Lakes & Streams, Points & Islands, Military & Federal Features, and Parks.

When folded, the front cover displays a color overview of the area, with a circle drawn around the counties detailed in the map. Surrounding this image is a black box with yellow lettering, which at the top includes the title of the map and a listing of the boundaries covered and at the bottom is a list of the additional indexed information included. The name Robert A. Truax is stamped across the center of the front cover.

Related Materials

The Special Collections Research Center holds the Robert Truax transportation collection and other maps, such as "Montgomery County Transit Map".

The Chevy Chase Historical Society holds a 1987 oral history with Robert Truax.

Keywords

Washington (D.C.)

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Arrangement

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