

Guide to the David Martyn Smith Papers

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Collection Overview

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CALL NUMBER: MS 1189

CREATOR: Smith, David M. (David Martyn), 1921-

TITLE: David Martyn Smith papers

DATES: 1961-1963

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 0.5 linear feet

LANGUAGE: English

SUMMARY: Correspondence, memoranda, reports, minutes, and other papers relating to the Connecticut Pesticide Investigating Committee. This committee was chaired by Anthony E. Wallace and one its members was David Martyn Smith.

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b. box
f. folder

Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Donated by David M. Smith in 1965.

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Preferred Citation

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Biographical / Historical

David M. Smith (1921-): educator; B.S., University of Rhode Island, 1941; M.F., Yale, 1946, Ph.D., 1950; instructor, School of Forestry and Environmental Studies, Yale, 1946-1951, assistant professor 1951-1957, assistant dean, 1953-1958, associate professor, 1957-1963, professor, 1963- ; Morris K. Jesup Professor of Silviculture, 1967-.

Scope and Contents

These papers pertain to the Connecticut Pesticide Investigating Committee (the "Wallace Committee") appointed by Governor John Dempsey to investigate pesticide problems and legislation in 1963. David Martyn Smith was a member of this committee, which was chaired by Anthony E. Wallace. Included among the papers are letters (mainly copies of Wallace's correspondence as chairman with the governor and other officials and specialists), minutes and reports of the committee, testimony given by experts before the committee, and subject files of existing and pending legislation, printed matter, newspaper clippings, and notes pertaining to pesticide use, to Rachel Carson's *Silent Spring*, and to the gypsy moth problem.

These papers were donated to Yale University by David Martyn Smith in 1965. Writings and other papers of Herman Haupt Chapman have been transferred from this collection to the Herman Haupt Chapman Papers, Ms. Gr. No. 134.

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Connecticut Pesticide Investigating Committee papers

b. 1, f. 1	Correspondence	1962-1963 August
b. 1, f. 2	Minutes of meetings	1963 February- April
b. 1, f. 3	Testimony, memoranda, and reports	1963 February-1964 August
Subject files		
b. 1, f. 4	Existing legislation on pesticides	1956, 1962-1963
b. 1, f. 5	Legislation proposed on pesticides	1949, 1960-1963
b. 1, f. 6	Recommendations for pesticide use, Connecticut	1953-1963, undated
b. 1, f. 7	Comments on <i>Silent Spring</i>	1962-1963
b. 1, f. 8	National Wildlife Federation	1959, 1963
b. 1, f. 9	Printed materials and newspaper clippings	1961-1965, undated

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

Subjects

Conservation of natural resources
Environmental protection
Pesticides -- Law and legislation

Geographic Names

Connecticut -- Politics and government

Names

Smith, David M. (David Martyn), 1921-
Wallace, Anthony