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Guide to the Robert Leroy Platzman Papers 1944-1952



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Descriptive Summary

Identifier	ICU.SPCL.PLATZMAN
Title	Platzman, Robert Leroy. Papers
Date	1944-1952
Size	.1 linear ft (1 folder)
Repository	Special Collections Research Center University of Chicago Library 1100 East 57th Street Chicago, Illinois 60637 U.S.A.
Abstract	Robert Leroy Platzman, physicist, chemist, teacher. The Robert Leroy Platzman Papers consist of a greeting card from James Franck, three cards from Arthur H. Compton on behalf of the Metallurgical Laboratory, and a carbon copy of a letter to Eugene Rabinowitch regarding the Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists.

Information on Use

Access

No restrictions.

Citation

When quoting material from this collection, the preferred citation is: Platzman, Robert Leroy. Papers, [Box #, Folder #], Special Collections Research Center, University of Chicago Library

Biographical Note

Robert Leroy Platzman was born on August 23, 1918 to Alfred and Rose (Kaufman) Platzman. He attended the University of Chicago, receiving his B.S. (1937), S.M. in Physics (1940), and Ph.D. in Chemistry (1942). In the 1940s Platzman worked in the Metallurgical Laboratory at the University of Chicago.

Platzman was Associate professor of Physics at Purdue University (1949-1958), senior physicist at Argonne National Laboratory (1958-1965). He became Professor of Chemistry and Physics at the University of Chicago in 1966.

Platzman married Eva Maria Platzman in 1947. The couple had three children: Loren Kerry, Elena Maria, and Kenneth Rainer.

Robert Leroy Platzman died on July 2, 1973 in Chicago, Illinois.

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Related Resources

The following related resources are located in the Department of Special Collections:

Franck, James, Papers

Records of the Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists, 1945-1988

<http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/spcl/select.html>

Subject Headings

- Platzman, Robert Leroy
- Franck, James, 1882-1964
- Rabinowitch, Eugene, 1901-
- Compton, Arthur Holly, 1892-1962
- Atomic Scientists of Chicago
- Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists

INVENTORY

Box 1

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Correspondence

- Greeting card from James Franck, 1952
- Card "To Members of the Metallurgical Project" from Arthur H. Compton, 1944
- Card "Members of the Metallurgical Project" From Arthur H. Compton, 1945
- Card, "Dear 'Forty-Niner'" from Arthur H. Compton, n.d.
- Letter (carbon copy), to Eugene Rabinowitch, includes list of people potentially interested in receiving Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists, 1947