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Guide to the August Rauch Collection, 1935-1981

Title

August Rauch Collection (MSS Rauch)

Dates

1935-1981 (inclusive)
1950-1975 (bulk)

Creator

Rauch, August (August Henry), 1919-

Summary

The August Rauch Collection consists of reference materials pertaining to plywood and veneers assembled by Rauch in the course of his work for the U.S. Plywood Corporation in Lebanon, Oregon, and in Washington. Rauch graduated from Oregon State College in 1942 with a BS in Forestry, specializing in wood products.

Quantity

2.35 cubic feet (3 boxes)

Restrictions on Access

Collection is open for research.

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Biographical Note

August Henry (Augy) Rauch attended Oregon Agricultural College from September 1937 through December 1941 and received a BS degree in Forestry, majoring in Wood Products, in June 1942. He completed a senior forestry paper, *Pres-to-log Production*, in 1941. Rauch worked at the U.S. Plywood Corporation plant in Lebanon, Oregon, in the 1960s and 1970s.

Rauch was born in Echo, Oregon, on August 9, 1919; grew up on his family's farm; and graduated from Pine City High School, in Echo.

Content Description

The August Rauch Collection consists of reference materials pertaining to plywood and veneers assembled by Rauch in the course of his work in research and development for the U.S. Plywood Corporation in Lebanon, Oregon, and in Washington. The materials include reprints, publications and reports; conference proceedings and papers; patent information; and related correspondence and research data. The collection includes several reports from the Oregon Forest Products Laboratory, the U.S. Forest Service Forest Products Laboratory in Madison, Wisconsin, and the American Plywood Association. Reports and correspondence generated by Rauch are interspersed throughout the collection.

Topics addressed in the collection include testing procedures, specifications and standards, and physical properties of wood; plywood and wood glues; wood fiber; veneer and plywood; hardboard production; medium density fiberboard, continuous pressing fiberboard, and structural particleboard; and sources of wood from southeast Asia and South America.

Preferred Citation

August Rauch Collection, Oregon State University Archives, Corvallis, Oregon.

Processing Note

This collection is not fully processed; this guide is preliminary.

Related Material

Rauch's [senior forestry paper](#) is available in the Oregon State University Libraries Special Collections. The Forest Products Department Records (RG 003) include extensive documentation of forest products research and teaching at Oregon State. The Archives' collections include the papers of forest products faculty, including [George H. Atherton](#), [Stanley E. Corder](#), [Leif D. Espenas](#), [Douglas W. Glennie](#), [Robert D. Graham](#), and James W. Johnson. The Archives holdings include several collections pertaining to the forest products industry, including the Crown Zellerbach Corporation Photographic Collection (P 216), [Klamath County Timber Cruising Records](#), [Mater Engineering Tribal Consultation Files](#), and [Wright-Blodgett Company Records](#).

Subjects

This collection is indexed under the following headings in the OSU Libraries Catalog. Researchers desiring materials about related topics, persons, or places should search the catalog (<http://oasis.oregonstate.edu>) using these headings.

Organizations

Topics

Plywood industry--Oregon.

Plywood--Research.

Plywood--Testing.

Plywood.

Veneers and veneering.

Wood--Mechanical properties.

Wood--Testing.

Other Creators

American Plywood Association.

Oregon Forest Products Laboratory.