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COOK, RICHARD W.: Papers, 1940-1973

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The Papers of Richard W. Cook, former deputy general manager of the Atomic Energy Commission, were deposited in the Dwight D. Eisenhower Library by Cook in July 1977.

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SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The papers of Richard W. Cook span the years 1940 to 1973. The bulk of the material (70%) originated in the 1950s during Cook's employment at AEC headquarters in Washington, D.C., and about half of this material consists of published AEC reports.

The papers are organized into five series, arranged chronologically. Cook's tour of duty with the U.S. Army Engineers in the Washington, D.C. area is sparsely documented, and the material consists of a number of printed organization charts, some correspondence, memoranda, and clippings dealing with his military activities. The quantity of material in Cook's army 201 file is also rather small. Its arrangement is alphabetical and chronological thereunder.

Organization charts, personnel rosters and lists make up the bulk of the small series dealing with Cook's employment at Oak ridge, Tennessee. The balance of the series is comprised of correspondence, memoranda, and anniversary materials. Although this series does provide some information on the Manhattan Project, there is little material of substance on this subject.

The series on Cook's employment from 1951 to 1958 at AEC headquarters contains items of particular note on the Dixon-Yates controversy and Euratom. The Dixon-Yates file is made up largely of case files, including schedules, memoranda, and correspondence, and published copies of power contracts. Charts, graphs, tables and pages of calculations make up the balance of the file. Copies of Congressional hearings, case files, and a copy of the treaty comprise the bulk of the material on Euratom.

There is a limited quantity of material in the collection covering the period from 1958 to 1973 when Cook was employed as a executive at American Machine and Foundry Company and at the Marshall Space Flight Center. He was employed at AMF while it was producing components for the Atlas and Titan missile systems; he was at Marshall Space Flight Center during the height of the Apollo Program. There is, however, little substantive material from this period. Most of the subseries involving AMF consists of published company reports and advertising booklets. The Small quantity of correspondence from this period is mostly personal and has few references to his work.

Numerous photos have been removed from the collection and transferred to the Eisenhower Library audiovisual collection. Two books have been transferred to the Eisenhower Library book collection, but all published government documents have been retained in the collection.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

- Aug 8, 1907 Born in Muskegon, Michigan.
- 1921-1926 Attended Hackley High School, Muskegon, Michigan.
- 1927-1933 Attended Michigan State University and graduated with a bachelor's degree in civil engineering.
- 1933-1940 Worked as a civil engineer, including three years in marine construction.
- 1940 Ordered to active duty in the U.S. Army as a First Lieutenant.
- 1940-1942 Assistant Quartermaster and Quartermaster, Construction Division, Quartermaster Corps, U.S. Army.
- 1942-1944 Area engineer for Corps of Engineers, Washington Engineer District.
- 1944-1947 Assistant to District Engineer and K-25 Operations Officer, Corps of Engineers, Manhattan Engineer District, Oak Ridge, Tenn.
- July 1947 Retired from Army and joined Reserve Corps.
- 1947-1951 Deputy Manager and General Manager of Oak Ridge Operations, U.S. Atomic Energy Commission.
- 1951-1958 Employed at AEC headquarters in Washington, D.C. 1951--Director of Production; 1954--Deputy General Manager of the AEC.
- 1958-1964 Employed at American Machine and Foundry. Cook began as director of administration in the Government Products Group and advanced to a position as a corporate vice-president.
- 1964-1973 Involved in management of Marshall Space Flight Center (NASA), Huntsville, Alabama. 1964--assistant director of Research and Development Operations; 1969--deputy director, operations, Science and Engineering; 1970--deputy director, Management.
- 1973 Retired

DESCRIPTION OF SERIES

<u>Box No.</u>	<u>Series</u>
1	I. U.S. ARMY PERSONNEL (201) FILE. 1940-1945. 1/3 container. Correspondence, memoranda, qualification questionnaires, lists of duty stations, leave records, general orders, personal history statement, and qualification cards concerning Richard W. Cook. Organized alphabetically and chronologically thereunder.
1	II. U.S. ARMY ENGINEERS, WASHINGTON, D.C. 1940-1944. 1/3 container. Organization charts of the Office of the Chief of Engineers and of the U.S. Engineer Office in Washington, D. C., personnel information, clippings, correspondence, memoranda, project descriptions, and circulars concerning the activities of R.W. Cook and the U.S. Engineer Office. This series is arranged alphabetically and chronologically thereunder.
1-2	III. OAK RIDGE. 1944-1951. 2 containers. Organization charts of Oak Ridge Operations Office and K-25 Operations Office of the Manhattan Engineer District, officer rosters and directory, photographs, organizational bulletins, correspondence, General Manager's Bulletins, memoranda, press releases, clippings postcards, and other memorabilia dealing with Cook's participation in the Manhattan Project and postwar nuclear research at Oak Ridge, Tennessee. Arrangement is alphabetical and chronological thereunder.
2-7	IV. AEC-WASHINGTON, D.C. 1951-1958. 5 containers.
2-5	SUBSERIES A. AEC-GENERAL. Correspondence, memoranda, telegrams, press releases, Organization charts of the AEC, personnel list for Production Division of AEC, travel orders, photographs, booklet, speeches, award and anniversary programs, newsletters, clippings, and AEC reports and documents dealing with R.W. Cook's career with the AEC. Arrangement is alphabetical and chronological thereunder.
5-6	SUBSERIES B: DIXON-YATES Correspondence, AEC reports and documents, power contracts, charts, and a book of cartoons concerning the Dixon-Yates controversy. Arrangement is alphabetical and chronological thereunder.
6-7	SUBSERIES C. EURATOM. Correspondence, AEC reports and documents, charts, and graphs, tables, pages of calculation, testimony presented at Congressional hearings, power contracts, and assorted booklets dealing with the Euratom negotiations and treaty. Arrangement is alphabetical and chronological thereunder.
7-8	V. POST-AEC. 1 1/4 containers. SUBSERIES A. AMERICAN MACHINE AND FOUNDRY CO. 1958-1964 Published company materials on AMF's personnel, products, and annual reports; and personal correspondence from the period, 1958-1963. Organization is alphabetical and chronological thereunder.
8	SUBSERIES B. NASA, MARSHALL SPACE FLIGHT CENTER. 1964-1973.

Correspondence, schedules, memoranda, meeting minutes, newsletters, award ceremony booklets, visitor plans, photographs, and biographical material concerning Cook's career at Marshall Space Flight Center (1964-1973) and his involvement in the Apollo Program. Arrangement is chronological.

- 8 **SUBSERIES C. ALUMNI AWARDS. 1955 AND 1963.** Correspondence, alumni awards, commencement programs, university centennial book, clippings, photographs, press releases, newsletters, and magazines dealing with awards Cook received in 1955 and 1963 from Michigan State University. Arrangement is chronological.

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- Reserve Officer Data, 1948-1955
- Travel Orders and Vouchers, 1944-1946
- War Department Orders, 1944-1947
- War Department Pay and Allowance Account, 1944-1947

SERIES II; U.S. ARMY ENGINEERS, WASHINGTON, D.C.

- General Correspondence, 1940-1945 [official and personal letters and official memoranda]
- U.S. Army, Office of the Chief of Engineers, Order, 1943
- U.S. Army, Office of the Chief of Engineers, Organization Charts, 1943-1944
- U.S. Army, Office of the Inspector General, Reports, 1942
- U.S. Army, U.S. Engineer Office, Washington, D.C., Chart of Office Space, July 29, 1942
- U.S. Army, U.S. Engineer Office, Washington, D.C., Chart of Projects, 1943
- U.S. Army, U.S. Engineer Office, Washington, D.C., Circular Letters, 1944
- U.S. Army, U.S. Engineer Office, Washington, D. C., Organization Charts and Personnel Information (1)-(4)

Series III: OAK RIDGE

- AEC, General Manager's Bulletins (Washington and Field Offices), 1948-1951
- AEC Handbook on Oak Ridge, 1956

Clippings and Press Releases, 1947-1950

General correspondence, 1945-1951

Oak Ridge, Manhattan District, K-25 Division, Organization Charts, 1945-1947

Oak Ridge, Manhattan District, K-25 Division, Operations Personnel List

Oak Ridge, Manhattan District, Officer Directory and Rosters, 1944, 1946-1947

2 Oak Ridge, Memorabilia and Anniversary Materials, 1944-1947, 1962-1963, 1966

Oak Ridge Operations Office, Organization Charts, 1944-1951 (1)(2)

Oak Ridge Operations Office, Organization Charts and Bulletins, 1948, 1952

SERIES IV: AEC-WASHINGTON, D.C.

SUBSERIES A: AEC-GENERAL

General Correspondence and Related Materials, 1951-1955 [material re Cook's promotions to manager of production in 1951 and to deputy general manager in 1954]

General Correspondence and Related Materials, June 1958 [Cook's resignation from AEC]

General Correspondence and Related Materials, June-July 1958 [Cook's resignation and employment at American Machine and Foundry, Inc.]

AEC, Annual Awards Ceremony, 1956-1957

AEC, Annual Report to Congress, January 1967

AEC, Consultant Contract and Related Documents, 1958

AEC Headquarters, Telephone Directory, July 1958

AEC, Index to Semiannual Reports to Congress, 1947-1953

AEC, Index to Semiannual Reports to Congress, 1954-1956

AEC, Index to Semiannual Reports to Congress, 1956-1957

AEC, List of Production Division Personnel, 1951

AEC, Miscellaneous Speeches and Photographs, 1950-1959

AEC, Organization Charts, 1951-1963

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3 AEC, Semiannual Report to Congress, January 1951

AEC, Semiannual Report to Congress, January 1952

AEC, Semiannual Report to Congress, July 1952

AEC, Semiannual Report to Congress, January 1953

AEC, Semiannual Report to Congress, July 1953

AEC, Semiannual Report to Congress and Index, 1953-1954

AEC, Semiannual Report to Congress, July 1954

AEC, Semiannual Report to Congress and Index, July 1954

AEC, Semiannual Report to Congress and Index, January 1955

AEC, Semiannual Report to Congress, July 1955

AEC, Semiannual Report to Congress, January 1956

AEC, Semiannual Report to Congress, July 1956

AEC, Semiannual Report to Congress, January 1957

AEC, Semiannual Report to Congress, July 1957

4 Atomic Energy and the Physical sciences (AEC report 1950)

Atomic Energy Legislation Through 85th Congress, 1st Session (Joint committee on Atomic Energy Report) 1957

Atoms for Peace, U.S.A., 1958 (AEC report)

Civilian Power Reactor Program (AEC report) Part I, 1960

Clippings and Publications, 1954-1972

Fundamental Nuclear Energy Research (AEC report) 1962

Invitations and Programs, 1954, 1971-1974

Joint Task Force Seven, Operation Redwing, 1956 (1)(2)

Major Activities in the Atomic Energy Programs (AEC report) 1951 (1)(2)

Major Activities in the Atomic Energy Programs (AEC report) January-July 1954

Major Activities in the Atomic Energy Programs (AEC report) July-December 1954

Major Activities in the Atomic Energy Programs(AEC report) 1955

5 Major Activities in the Atomic Energy Programs (AEC report) 1957

Radiation Safety and Major Activities in the Atomic Energy Programs (AEC report) 1956

Miscellaneous Publications re Atomic Energy, 1945, 1951, 1959

SUBSERIES B: DIXON-YATES

AEC, Electric Power Contract between AEC and Electric Energy, Inc. And Related Documents, 1952-1954

AEC, Electric Power Contract between AEC and Mississippi Valley Generating Company and related Documents, 1954 (1)(2)

AEC, Electric Power Contract between AEC and the Ohio Valley Electric Corp. and a Related Inter-Company Power Agreement, 1952-1953

AEC, Documents re Power Contract between AEC and the Mississippi Valley Generating Co., 1954 (1)(2)

AEC, Proposed Contract with Mississippi Valley Generating company, Supporting Data, October 1954 (1)(2)

AEC, Sequence of Principal Events in Connection with Power Supply for Paducah to Replace Power Now Being Furnished by TVA, 1953-1954 (1)(2)

6 AEC, Summary of Proposed Electric Power Contract Between the Mississippi Valley Generating Company and the Atomic Energy Commission, 1954 (1)(2)

Amortization, Interest, and Depreciation Data re the Electric Power Contract between AEC and the Mississippi Valley Generating Co., 1954

Book of Cartoons re Dixon-Yates Controversy

Bureau of Budget, Record of Procedure and Development of AEC Power Contract, 1953-1954 (1)(2)

Electric Power Contracts between AEC and Mississippi Valley Generating Co., Ohio Valley Electric Corp., and TVA, 1954-1956 (1)(2) [cost and revenue data]

Power Contract between AEC and Mississippi Valley Generating Co., 1959 [correspondence]

SERIES C: EURATOM

A Target for Euratom (International report) 1957

Clippings re Euratom, 1958

Correspondence re Euratom and Resignation from AEC, 1957-1958

Data and Explanations of Fuel Cycle Guarantees re Joint U.S.-Euratom Program, 1958

Electric Power Contract between Societa Elettro-nucleare Italiana (Selni) and Westinghouse Electric International Co. And Related Documents, 1957

Euratom Cooperation Act of 1958 [report of bill]

Euratom Documents Transmitted to the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy, 1958 (1)-(3)

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy, Hearing on Euratom, Part 1, 1958 (1)

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Joint Committee on Atomic Energy, Hearings on Euratom, Part 2, 1958

Nuclear Power Prospects-Data on Fuel Requirements, Reactor Characteristics, and Cost of Conventional vs. Nuclear Power, 1957-1958

Proposed Euratom Agreements (Joint Committee on Atomic Energy Report) 1958

Publications re Euratom

Speech re Euratom, 1958

Supporting Data re Joint U.S.-Euratom Program Cost and U-235 Requirements, 1958

Testimony and Related Documents on Euratom--Hearings, Joint Committee on Atomic Energy, 1958 (1)-(6)

Treaty Establishing the European Atomic Energy Community (Euratom)

U.S. Delegation to Euratom, 1958

White House, AEC, and Department of State, Press Releases on Peaceful Uses of Atomic Energy and Euratom, 1956-1958

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SUBSERIES A: AMERICAN MACHINE AND FOUNDRY CO.

American Machine and Foundry Co., Annual Reports, 1961-1962

8 American Machine and Foundry Co., Government Products Group

American Machine and Foundry Co., Government Products Group, Organization and Key Personnel, 1961

American Machine and Foundry Co., The Atlas Program 1961

American Machine and Foundry Co., The Titan Program 1961

General Correspondence, 1958-1963

SUBSERIES B: NASA, MARSHALL SPACE FLIGHT CENTER

General Correspondence, 1967

George C. Marshall Space Flight Center, NASA, 1970-1973 (1) [correspondence, schedules, memoranda, and meeting minutes re Apollo Program]

George C. Marshall Space Flight Center, NASA, 1970-1973 (2) [newsletters and award]

George C. Marshall Space Flight Center, NASA, 1970-1973 (3) [agenda and plans for visit of Dr. George M. Low, February 22, 1973]

SUBSERIES C: ALUMNI AWARDS

Michigan State University, College Centennial and Alumni Award, 1955 (1)(2)

Michigan State University, Commencement Program and Alumni Award, 1963 (1)(2)

Miscellaneous Materials re Alumni Activity at Michigan State University

List of Books Transferred to the Dwight D. Eisenhower Library Book Collection.

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