ROY CROWDY AVERY COLLECTION

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Biography/History

Roy Crowdy Avery was born in 1885 in Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada. He received an A.B. Degree from the University of Connecticut, a B.S. degree from the University of Massachusetts, and a PhD. degree from Vanderbilt.

Roy Crowdy Avery became a Naturalized Citizen in 1917 and immediately joined the United States Army. He was later commissioned as a 1st Lieutenant, and served with the Sanitary Corps from 1917-1919, spending time in France, Germany, and England. After the war he studied at Manchester University in Manchester, England.

Roy Crowdy Avery later was a Professor of Bacteriology and Immunology at Vanderbilt University from 1926-1953. He became Professor Emeritus in 1953.

Scope and Contents

This .21 linear feet collection contains four reel-to-reel tapes, a transcript of the tapes, transcript from a diary kept by Roy Crowdy Avery during World War I, newspaper clippings, and a manuscript titled, “The Background on the Discovery of Histoplasmosis”.

Diary – typed transcript
February 17, 1918 – July 21, 1919

*Original diary is deposited in the Catherine Berry Pilcher Avery Collection at the State Library and Archives Building, Nashville, Tennessee, Manuscript Division.

Manuscript
“The Background of the Discovery of Histoplasmosis”

Newspaper Clippings
Obituary Notices –1971

Reel-to-Reel Tapes
“Reminiscences of World War I” – June 1971

Transcript
“Reminiscences of World War I” – June 1971