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**Collection 246**  
**Dr. Harold Sinclair Magee Papers, 1918-1973**

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**Biography**

Harold Sinclair Magee was born in 1894, and served in the army during World War I. He was licensed as a medical doctor and surgeon from the University of Western Ontario in 1925. In 1934, Magee was approved to practice medicine in New Jersey, and was appointed Medical Director and Superintendent at the New Jersey State Hospital at Trenton [see Coll. 245] in 1948. Magee passed away in 1985.

**Scope and Content Notes**

This collection consists of papers, letters, personal possessions, and diplomas belonging to Dr. Harold Sinclair Magee. The collection also includes three scrapbooks compiled by Dr. Magee's wife, Mary.

**Series Description**

**Series I. Professional Papers**

Series I contains a variety of papers regarding Magee's professional work. Featured in the series are his army records from WWI, paperwork confirming his employment at the New Jersey State Hospital, and documents regarding Magee's guardianship over patients.

**Series II. Awards, Certificates, Diplomas**

Series II contains records of Dr. Magee's professional achievements. Dr. Magee's diplomas and licenses for medical practice are contained in this series. These items show Magee's qualifications as a medical doctor, surgeon, and psychiatrist. He was also inducted into a variety of medical honor societies.

### **Series III. Correspondence**

Series III consists of three letters addressed to Mrs. Magee regarding events at Trenton Psychiatric Hospital. One appears to be an RSVP list from the Volunteer Aides of New Jersey State Hospital. It is probable that these letters fell out of one of Mary Magee's scrapbooks (see Series V).

### **Series IV. Personal Possessions**

This series contains two of Magee's psychiatry textbooks, two medals from the American Psychiatric Association, and Magee's personal New Testament bible.

### **Series V. Scrapbooks**

Series V contains three scrapbooks compiled by Magee's wife, Mary Letitia (nee Wallis) Magee. They contain newspaper clippings, pamphlets, photos and letters regarding her husband's tenure at the New Jersey State Hospital. SB014 is related to the Women's Auxiliary to the Mercer County Medical Society, c. 1950s.

**Provenance:** Most of the contents of this collection were donated by Magee's niece, Mrs. Mary Whiting, at an unspecified time prior to September 2015 [Acc. #2020.600].

### **Container List**

#### **Box / Folder / Folder Name**

#### Series I

- 1 / 1 / Army Records
- 1 / 2 / Selective Service Records
- 1 / 3 / Guardianship Papers
- 1 / 4 / Guardianship Papers

#### Series II

- 1 / 5 / Awards, Certificates, Diplomas

#### Series III

- 1 / 6 / Correspondence

#### Series IV

- 1 / 7 / Personal Possessions

#### Series V

- Wrapped / Scrapbook (SB014)
- Wrapped / Scrapbook (SB034)
- Wrapped / Scrapbook (SB285)