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Biographical Note

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| 1884 Sep 17 | Born, Turner, Maine, son of Charles A. and Cora Merrill Bonney |
| 1906 | Graduated from Bates College |
| 1906-07 | Taught Latin and Greek at Dean Academy, Massachusetts |
| 1908 | Married Katherine Bigelow |
| 1907-27 | Professor of Mathematics at Middlebury College, Vermont |
| 1927-32 | In private business, Portland, Maine |
| 1933-58 | Dean, Portland Junior College |
| 1958 | Retired, moved to Turner, Maine |
| 1977 | Moved to Cumberland Center, Maine |
| 1978 Apr 21 | Died Cumberland Center, Maine |

Description of the Papers

This collection of approximately 75 items largely consists of histories he wrote about Turner, Maine, the Bonney family, Portland Junior College staff, and himself. There is a poetry file as well. The chronological file has several World War II letters from former students and there is a 1951 postcard cancelled on the U.S.S. Allagash. Honorary degrees and a taped 1974 interview with Bonney conclude the material.

Box	Folder	Description	Date
1	1	Chronological file	1932-1974, undated
	2-3	Bonney's memoir: various drafts	1973, undated
	4	"Kay and I:" memoir about Bonney and his wife	1976
	5	Poetry	1905-1971
	6	Portland Junior College: history	1933-1943
	7	Portland Junior College: "Summary and Prospect"	1948
	8	Portland Junior College: "The Builders of Portland Junior College, Honor Roll"	undated
	9	"Personality Portraits": about Turner, Maine	1976
	10	Tribute to Eizabeth Eastman, a tribute	1976
	11	Honorary degree from Bates College (M.A.)	1948
	12	Honorary degree from University of Maine (PhD in Education)	1959
	13	Honorary degree from Nasson College (PhD)	1965
	14	Printed material: dedication of Luther I. Bonney Hall	1965
	15	Printed material about Everett W. Lord	1956, 1965
	16-17	Printed material about Bonney, including obituary	1972, 1978
	18	Photographs of Bonney	1901-1974, undated
	19	Taped interview of Bonney (audio-cassette)	1974