

OBITUARIES

Dominick J. Capano

Dominick J. Capano, a Life Member of the SMPTE, died June 20, 1984, at the age of 67. He was president of Cinecraft International Inc., a firm he founded in 1972.

While still attending school, he worked at S.O.S Photo-Cine-Optics as an office boy, later advancing to stock manager,

then to sales manager, and to president after the company's merger with F&B Ceco Industries. He remained in that post until he founded Cinecraft International. He introduced various products and equipment modifications to the industry, and was co-inventor of an automatic light valve for additive printers.

Capano joined the SMPTE in 1952 and was manager of the New York Section for three terms. He served as equipment and publicity chairman for eight technical conferences and as exhibit chairman for four.

He is survived by his wife, Mae, three daughters, and two sons.

Donald R. Musson

Donald R. Musson, director of technical development, NBC, died June 9, 1984, at the age of 49. He was well known in the broadcasting industry, both from his long engineering career with RCA and NBC, and from his active participation in many professional society activities.

Before joining NBC, Musson had been with RCA for 22 years, in the post of manager of television transmitter and advanced development engineering, and later, with the Broadcast Systems Div. in a sales capacity, serving the New England sales region. He transferred to NBC in 1979, becoming senior staff engineer in the Allocations Engineering Group. In 1982, he was appointed director of technical development. He played a leading role in the development of television multi-channel sound.

Musson was an active member of the SMPTE, serving on two HDTV working groups and participating in the development of time-code standards. He served also on the component analog video standards working group. In addition to his services for the SMPTE, he participated actively in other professional organizations, including the IEEE, EIA, NAB, and DBSA.

He was graduated from Michigan State University in 1956 with the B.S. degree in Electrical Engineering and later (1965-1967) did graduate work at the University of Pittsburgh.

He is survived by two sons, Charles Robert and Howard Thomas, a brother, Carleton, and his mother, Mrs. Emma Inez Wilson.

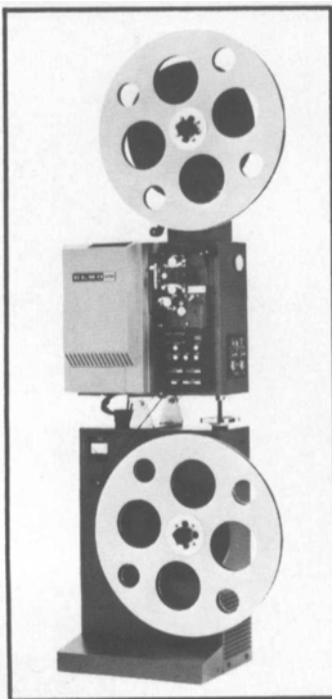
Wallace I. Vance

Wallace I. Vance, director of facilities engineering, MGM Laboratories, died July 1, 1984, while pursuing his hobby of flying radio-controlled model airplanes. He was 54 years of age.

Vance attended Northrup Institute of Technology, receiving a certificate in Aeronautical Engineering in 1957. He then served as an engineer for Northrup Aircraft Inc. In 1960, he joined MGM Laboratories Inc. as assistant chief engineer. In 1964, he joined Metro/Kalvar Inc. as chief sales and service engineer. In this post, he was responsible for the design, fabrication, and installation of equipment for the printing and heat-processing of Kalvar vesicular films. He patented several devices having to do with polyester-based vesicular films, one of the best known being the Metro/Kalvar ultra-sonic film splicer. In 1978, he rejoined MGM Laboratories as assistant chief engineer.

Vance joined the SMPTE in 1961. He was also a member of the Society of Photographic Scientists and Engineers. He is survived by his wife, Marlys, and his son, Scott.

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