

Obituaries

Chester E. Heppberger

Chester E. Heppberger, a Life Fellow of the SMPTE, died on July 30, 1986, in Leesburg, Fla. He was 79.

Heppberger graduated from Ohio State Univ. with a B.S. degree in 1931. In late 1940, he moved to Chicago and joined Union Carbide Corp. (which was then called National Carbon Co., Inc.) as a technical representative. During his 30

years in the company's Carbon Products Division, Heppberger was involved in the application of arc carbons for film projection, motion-picture and television lighting, and the graphic arts. His work with arc carbons touched other industries as well. "Hepp," as he was known to his many friends, retired from Union Carbide in 1969.

Following his retirement, Heppberger moved south to Leesburg, where he became actively involved in that community's Lake Improvement Association. He is a past president of the association.

Heppberger served the U.S. Navy during World War II as a lieutenant, and was a member of the Naval Reserve.

He was elected a Fellow of the SMPTE in 1952. He served on SMPTE papers program committees, and was a member of the Society's Film Projection Committee.

Heppberger is survived by his wife, Violet; a son, David, of Atherton, Calif.; and a daughter, Carol Coates, of St. Petersburg, Fla. Also surviving are four grandchildren.



Olin L. Dupy

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Olin L. Dupy, a Life Fellow of the SMPTE, who was a pioneer in the technical development of motion-picture sound-recording equipment, died April 26. He was 89.

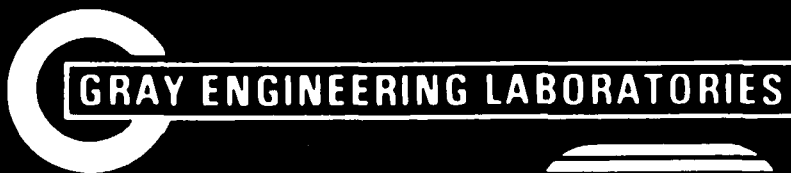
Dupy was born October 29, 1896, in Taylorville, Ill., and attended high school there. He then went to Detroit, Mich., and entered a technical high school. Later, Dupy expanded on his technical education by enrolling in a series of advanced courses at Columbia University in New York City.

Dupy joined Detroit Edison Co. as an electrician in 1916. In 1918, at the height of World War I, he served with the U.S. Navy. At the end of his tour of duty in 1919, Dupy went to work in the Engineering Dept. of Western Electric Co., New York City. In 1928, Dupy joined MGM Studios in Hollywood, Calif., where he installed the first devices for recording sound in motion pictures.

Dupy made several other notable contributions to motion-picture technology during his many years at MGM. He patented an electric governor for engine-driven generators, designed and constructed a camera motor system, and a mercury lamp control. In 1951, he received an Academy Award for the design, construction, and application of a motion-picture reproducing system.

Dupy collaborated with J. K. Hilliard on a paper titled "A Monochromatic, Variable Density Recording System," published in the *SMPE Journal* in April 1941. He also published a technical article in the March 1940 issue of *Photo Technique*. He was a member of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences and the Sapphire Club of Recording Engineers.

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