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Biographical / Historical

David B. Steinman, 11 June 1886- 21 Aug. 1960, bridge design engineer known for his studies of airflow and wind velocity that helped make possible aerodynamically stable bridges. He assisted in design and construction of the Hell Gate Arch Bridge (New York City), the Florianopolis Bridge (Brazil), the Mackinac Bridge (Michigan), and the Triborough Bridge (New York City).

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Scope and Contents

A small collection of correspondence, awards, and ephemera related to the engineer David B. Steinman. The bulk of the material dates from the first half of the 1950s.

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Arrangement

Arranged in five series.

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Controlled Access Headings

- Mackinac Bridge (Mich.)
- Brooklyn Bridge (New York, N.Y.)
- Letters (correspondence)
- Awards
- Bridges -- Design and construction
- Armstrong, Edwin H (Edwin Howard), 1890-1954
- Finch, James Kip, 1883-1967
- Columbia University. Department of Civil Engineering and Engineering Mechanics

Collection Inventory

Series I: Correspondence

Title/Description	Instances
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American City Magazine, 9 May 1952	box 1	folder 1
Antin, Benjamin, 27 Sept. 1955	box 1	folder 1
Armstrong, Edwin H., 14 June 1952	box 1	folder 1
Bakhmeteff, Boris, May 1954	box 1	folder 1
Bassler, R.E., 4 June 1947	box 1	folder 1
Baticle, Edgar, 8 April 1953	box 1	folder 1
Brillouin, Leon, 9 April 1953-29 March 1955	box 1	folder 1
Buell G. Gallagher Testimonial Dinner, 3 Aug. 1953	box 1	folder 1
Centre d'information des ingenieurs professionnels, 16 Dec. 1954	box 1	folder 1
Congres International des Ingenieurs Proferssionals, 17 Nov. 1952	box 1	folder 1
City College Office of the President, 16 June 1956	box 1	folder 1
City College of New York Chapter Chi Epsilon Fraternity , 31 Oct 1949	box 1	folder 1
City Manager (George D. Fairtrace), City of Fort Worth, 13 June 1932	box 1	folder 1
Columbia Commencement Day Committee, 26 April 1953	box 1	folder 1
Cooper Union for the Advancement of Science and Art, 28 Dec. 1956	box 1	folder 1
DeForeest, Sara B., 15 January 1953	box 1	folder 1
Donzelot, Pierre , 9 June 1953	box 1	folder 1
Education Sociale, 24 May 1955	box 1	folder 1
Fairtrace, George O. (City Manager, City of Fort Worth), 13 June 1932	box 1	folder 1
Fejos, Paul., 13 April1953	box 1	folder 1
Finch, James Kip, 6 Feb 1950	box 1	folder 1
Gardner, W.W.G., 29 May 1956	box 1	folder 1
Garreau, Roger, L'Ambassadeur de France, [n.d.]	box 1	folder 1
Goldwasser, Paula N., 30 Sept. 1954	box 1	folder 1
Guitton, Secretaire General, 16 Dec. 1954	box 1	folder 1
Janicka, Mrs. Wand, n.d.]	box 1	folder 1
Johnston, P.A., 17 January 1950	box 1	folder 1
Lanterself (?), Richard B.	box 1	folder 1
Le Cocq, G., 17 June 1955	box 1	folder 1

Legion Belge, 7 June 1952	box 1	folder 1
Macfarlane, Malcolm, 5 Oct. 1953	box 1	folder 1
McFarland, Russell, 27 November 1950	box 1	folder 1
Mackintosh, E.E.B., 4 Sept.-30 Nov. 1945	box 1	folder 1
Marx, Harry J., 1 Nov. 1945	box 1	folder 1
National Legion Greek-American War Veterans, 10 April 1953	box 1	folder 1
New York Academy of Sciences, 25 July-9 Dec. 1952	box 1	folder 1
New York Times, 27 June 1953	box 1	folder 1
Partners Magazine, 20 April 1953	box 1	folder 1
Pregel, Boris, 2 Dec 1952	box 1	folder 1
Riedel, John C., 3 May 1951	box 1	folder 1
Sheridan, Arthur Jr., and Frank., [n.d.]	box 1	folder 1
Staff, [n.d.] and 11 June 1953	box 1	folder 1
Society for the Promotion of Engineering Education, 20 Nov. 1945	box 1	folder 1
Squire, E.J., 13 Nov. 1952	box 1	folder 1
Universita degli studi di bologna, 1 July 1953	box 1	folder 1
Willems, G. Directeur General des Ports et Cahaussees., [n.d.]	box 1	folder 1
Yadoff, Oleg , 2 Oct. 1953	box 1	folder 1
Zurmuhlen, Frederick H. Commissioner of Public Works, City of New York, 21 January 1953	box 1	folder 1
Unidentified	box 1	folder 1

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Series II: Invitations

Title/Description	Instances
Brooklyn Bridge Re-Unveiling Ceremonies, 2 Dec. 1945	box 1 folder 2
William Randolph Hearst 1950 Medals of Award Luncheon, 8 May 1951	box 1 folder 2
National Legion of Greek-American War Veterans in America, 14 April 1953	box 1 folder 2
Unveiling of Roebling Memorial Tablet Brooklyn Engineers' Club, 24 May 1953	box 1 folder 2

Official Opening, Modernized Brooklyn Bridge, 3 May 1954	box 1	folder 2
Mackinac Straits Bridge Ground Breaking Celebration, 7-8 May 1954	box 1	folder 2
Michigan College of Mining and Technology Commencement Exercises, 23 May 1954	box 1	folder 2
Invitation to party celebrating Steinman's promotion in the Legion, 4 June 1955	box 1	folder 2
Dedication Ceremonies of the Mackinac Bridge, 28 June 1958	box 1	folder 2
Opening of John F. Steinman's Office, General Practice in Medicine, [n.d.]	box 1	folder 2

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Series III: Biographical

Subseries III.1: Education

Title/Description	Instances	
Program, College of the City of New York Commencement College of the City of New York, 21 June 1906	box 1	folder 3
Copy of David B. Steinman's transcript from the College of the City of New York College of the City of New York, August 1950	box 1	folder 3
Columbia University, Faculty of Pure Science, Registration Book Columbia University, 25 Sept. 1907	box 1	folder 3
Copy of David B. Steinman's transcript (M.A. and Ph.D.) from Columbia University Columbia University, 3 Aug 1950	box 1	folder 3
Copy of David B. Steinman's transcript (Civil Engineering) from Columbia University Columbia University, 4 Aug 1950	box 1	folder 3
Description of grades, Columbia University Columbia University, 7 Aug 1950	box 1	folder 3

Subseries III.2: Military

Title/Description	Instances	
Carbon copy of notice of retirement from serviceState of New York. Division of Military and Naval Affairs of the Executive Department, 12 June 1950	box 1	folder 3

Subseries III.3: Lecture Notes

Title/Description	Instances	

"Aerodynamic Instability of Bridges" by David B. Steinman, 24 Feb. 1941	box 1	folder 3
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Subseries IV.1: 1950

Title/Description	Instances
Press release Department of the Interior, Puerto Rico, 22 August 1950	box 1 folder 4

Scope and Contents
 [In Spanish.]

Subseries IV.2: 1951

Title/Description	Instances
Civic Medal Award, "The modernization of the Brooklyn Bridge and Its Approaches" Greater New York Civic Center Association, 8 May 1951	box 1 folder 4
Chevalier de le Croix de Lorraine et des Compagnons de la Resistance: Award, 21 Dec. 1951	box 1 folder 4

Scope and Contents
 [In French.]

Award of Cross of Knight and Companion of the Resistance Order of the Chevaliers de la Croix de Lorraine et des Compagnons de la Resistance	box 1	folder 4
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Subseries IV.3: 1952

Title/Description	Instances
Golden Cross of the Military Chapter of Cyprus & Jerusalem, 15 July 1952	box 1 folder 4
<u>Physical Description:</u> Carbon copy translation from Latin	
The Military Capitulary Order of the Golden Cross of Cyprus and Jerusalem	box 1 folder 4

Scope and Contents
 [Description of award.]

Subseries IV.4: 1953

Title/Description	Instances

Photographic copy (1 sheet) of honorary degree of Doctor of Engineering Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, 5 June 1953	box 1	folder 4
Photographic copy (2 sheet) of honorary degree of Doctor of Laws Alfred University, 8 June 1953	box 1	folder 4
Citation used by President Drake of Alfred University, honorary degree of Doctor of Law Alfred University, 8 June 1953	box 1	folder 4
Citation for honorary degree, , English translation/Italian version. University of Bologna	box 1	folder 4
Italian citation for honorary degreeUniversity of Bologna	box 1	folder 4
Photographic copy (1 sheet), Citation conferring honorary degree Doctor of Civil Engineering University of Bologna, 1 July 1953	box 1	folder 4
Photographic copy (2 sheets) of citation New York State Society of Professional Engineers, 2 Oct 1953	box 1	folder 4
Citation New York State Society of Professional Engineers, 2 Oct. 1953	box 1	folder 4
Press release honoring Dr. Steinman on occasion of retirement from state board New York State Society of Professional Engineers, 3 Oct. 1953	box 1	folder 4
Citation conferring honorary degree of Doctor of Science University of Ghent, 5 Oct. 1953	box 1	folder 4
Dr. Steinman's award of the Knight of the Cross of Lorraine and Companions of the Resistance, 8 Oct. 1953	box 1	folder 4
<u>Physical Description:</u> Press release in English		
Citation New York Academy of Sciences, 1953	box 1	folder 4
Notice of admission as "Membre-Academicien avec attribution du Doctorat de l'Ordre des Sciences Honoris Causa" in the Haute Academie Latine Internationale des Sciences, des Lettres, et des Artsâ€¢, 24 Dec. 1953	box 1	folder 4
William Proctor Prize for Scientific Achievement Scientific Research Society of America, 29 Dec. 1953	box 1	folder 4

Subseries IV.5: 1954

Title/Description	Instances	
Citation and Award Ohio Society of Professional Engineers, 27 March 1954	box 1	folder 4
Commencement program announcing honorary degree Michigan College of Mining and Technology, 23 May 1954	box 1	folder 4
Latin Award to David B. Steinman (Summum Magesterium), 12 Oct. 1954	box 1	folder 4

Citation, Grand Croix de l'Etoile de Bien et du Merite, 17 Oct. 1954 box 1 folder 4

Scope and Contents

[In French.]

Maryse Casacof Poem/Address to David B. Steinman "Au Dr. D.B. Steinman", [n.d.] box 1 folder 4

Scope and Contents

[In French.]

Subseries IV.6: 1955

Title/Description	Instances
Winner of Grand Prix International de l'Invention, Category: Travaux Publics, 3 June 1955; Jury report 3 June 1955	box 1 folder 4

Scope and Contents

[In French.]

Certificate, nomination for "Membre d'Honneur de l'Academie Ansaldi", 1 March 1955 box 1 folder 4

Subseries IV.7: 1956

Title/Description	Instances
Award: Membership in Colorado Pioneer's Hall of Famous Americans, 29 Oct. 1956	box 1 folder 4
Award for "Annual Prize" for Poetry Pacific Poetry Forum, 10 November 1956	box 1 folder 4

Subseries IV.8: 1957

Title/Description	Instances
Citation/Bio presenting David Steinman University of Chicago, 12 June 1957	box 1 folder 4

Subseries IV.9: 1958

Title/Description	Instances
Citation for David Barnard Steinman St. Lawrence University, 8 June 1958	box 1 folder 4

Subseries IV.10: 1959

Title/Description	Instances

Tribute to David B. Steinman, Past President's Luncheon, Silver Anniversary National Association for Professional Engineers, 20 June 1959	box 1	folder 4
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Subseries IV.11: Undated

Title/Description	Instances
Conferral of honorary degree, Doctor of Science in Engineering Ohio Northern University, [n.d.]	box 1 folder 4
Announcement of commencement speaker New York State College of Ceramics, [n.d.]	box 1 folder 4
Announcement of honorary degree, Doctor of Engineering, [Manhattan?], [n.d.]	box 1 folder 4

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Series V: Writings of Others

Subseries V.1: Carbon copies

Title/Description	Instances
Elias Lieberman "To My Brothers Everywhere,", 8 March 1951	box 1 folder 5
"The Big Bridge," The Evening News Editorial, Detroit, 23 May 1883	box 1 folder 5
Henry Neumann Excerpt from an address on "The Builders of the Bridge," before the Brooklyn Ethical Culture Society, 8 Nov. 1945	box 1 folder 5
Dr. Alberta Steinman Gilinski C.V.	box 1 folder 5

Subseries V.2: Unidentified

Title/Description	Instances
Announcement of talk by Dr. Steinman, "What is Man?", Church of God of Prophecy	box 1 folder 5
Announcement of Italian [lecture series?], [n.d.]	box 1 folder 5

Subseries V.3: Printed

Title/Description	Instances
Bulletin of Brooklyn Engineers' Club, January 1941, December 1940	box 1 folder 5

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