

**George Little Press, Inc.,  
Papers, 1950-1997  
Doc 468, Folders 32 and 33**

**Introduction**

This collection documents the history of the George Little Press, Inc., of Burlington, Vermont, during the period 1950 to 1983. The papers were given to the Vermont Historical Society in 2000 by George Little (ms. acc. no. 2000.6). The collection occupies 2 folders (.10 linear foot).

**Agency History**

The George Little Press, Inc., was founded October 1, 1950, by George E. Little, Jr. (1921- ) and his father, George E. Little, Sr. The company purchased the lithography division of Champlain Printers (formerly the Free Press Printing Co.). In early 1951 Joseph E. Corbett became a full time partner with the younger Little. This partnership continued until they retired and sold the company to William Goodson of Stowe, Vermont, and his partners in August 1983. Goodson sold the company to the Offset House in 1990 and moved it to Essex, Vermont, in 1997.

The company began with eight employees in 1950 in a building at 20 Mechanics Street in downtown Burlington. In 1959 the company moved to a new 10,000 square foot building at 750 Pine Street. In 1968 an addition was completed creating a 25,000 square foot facility with over 60 employees.

The George Little Press printed a range of commercial photo offset lithography specializing in full color folders, booklets, and brochures. The customer base included Vermont, northern New York, and New England. Clients included businesses, schools, colleges, and various branches of government.

**Scope and Content Note**

This collection includes representative items from the history of the company; it does not include business records or correspondence. Included in the collection are tributes to employees, lists of employees, photographs of employee recognition events, sample forms used in the business, financial summary sheets, a long range plan dated November 1977, and an appraisal of the company made in 1971. Also included in the collection are company promotional pieces, an employee handbook (1980), a book of special effects samples, and a type style book.

**Related Collections**

The Vermont Historical Society also has a small collection of George Little's papers when he was a member of the Vermont House, 1968-1977 (MSA 112), a collection of his Vermont Senate papers (Doc 304), and a collection of papers from the

Vermont Council for Effective Government, 1976-1982, when George Little was treasurer (MSA 224).

The VHS also has a much larger collection of papers from the Montpelier printer D. W. Edson Co., Inc., 1913-1982 (Doc 338).

**Inventory**

Doc 468:32    George Little Press, history, photographs, sale of company  
          33    \_\_\_\_\_, company brochures

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