Guide to the Lowell Turrentine Papers

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Biographical/Historical Sketch

Lowell Turrentine earned his undergraduate degree at Princeton in 1917 and his law degrees at Harvard in 1922 and 1929. He practiced law in Cleveland and New York City and was involved in the prosecution of the Elk Hills and Teapot Dome scandal, before joining the faculty of the Stanford Law School in the fall of 1929. During World War II he served as compliance commissioner for the War Production Board. He was acting dean of the law school in 1945-46; in 1958 he became the first holder of the Marion Rice Kirkwood Professorship in Law. He retired in 1961 and died in 1992.

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United States. War Production Board.
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