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WASHINGTON, June 8—Dr. Wayne C. Grover, archivist of the United States from 1948 to 1965, died today of cancer at his home in Silver Spring, Md. He was 64 years old.

As archivist, Dr. Grover was in chrge of a network of institutions including the National Archives, Presidential libraries and Federal records centers. He joined the staff of the National Archives in 1935.

In 1941, he left the National Archives for two years of service in the Office of Strategic Services. He was commissioned a captain in the Army in 1943 and was appointed chief of the records management branch in the Adjutant General's Office. He rose to the rank of Lieutenant colonel and in 1946 was awarded the Legion of Merit for his management of rmy war time records programs.

Dr. Grover, who was born inb Garldan, Utah on Sept. 16, 1906, received a bachelor's degree from the Univertisy of Utah. He earned M.A. and Ph.D. degreesin political science and public administration at American University here.

After his retirement as archivist, Dr. Grover servedas a consultant the Lyndon B. John son Library.

He is survived by his widow, the former Esther Thomas, and four daughters.