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Guide to the Warshaw Collection of Business Americana Subject Categories: Dictionaries

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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives Center, National Museum of American History
Title:	Warshaw Collection of Business Americana Subject Categories: Dictionaries
Date:	undated
Identifier:	NMAH.AC.0060.S01.01.Dictionaries
Creator:	Warshaw, Isadore, 1900-1969
Extent:	0.47 Cubic feet (consisting of 1 box, 1 folder.)
Language:	English .
Summary:	A New York bookseller, Warshaw assembled this collection over nearly fifty years. The <i>Warshaw Collection of Business Americana: Dictionaries</i> forms part of the Warshaw Collection of Business Americana, Subseries 1.1: Subject Categories. The Subject Categories subseries is divided into 470 subject categories based on those created by Mr. Warshaw. These subject categories include topical subjects, types or forms of material, people, organizations, historical events, and other categories. An overview to the entire Warshaw collection is available here: Warshaw Collection of Business Americana

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Dictionaries is a portion of the Business Ephemera Series of the Warshaw Collection of Business Americana, Accession AC0060 purchased from Isadore Warshaw in 1967. Warshaw continued to accumulate similar material until his death, which was donated in 1971 by his widow, Augusta. For a period after acquisition, related materials from other sources (of mixed provenance) were added to the collection so there may be content produced or published after Warshaw's death in 1969. This practice has since ceased.

Materials in the Archives Center

Archives Center Collection of Business Americana (AC0404)

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Missing Title:

- [Series 1: Business Ephemera](#)
- [Series 2: Other Collection Divisions](#)
- [Series 3: Isadore Warshaw Personal Papers](#)
- [Series 4: Photographic Reference Material](#)

Processing Information

In 2016, with funding provided by the Smithsonian Institution's Collections Care and Preservation Fund, the Archives Center at the National Museum of American History implemented the use of

minimal level processing standards to increase information about and facilitate access to more of our collections.

For this subject, minimal processing included arrangement to the folder level, based on prior processing and preservation action, with retention of the pre-existing arrangement when possible, if applicable. Otherwise, an order was imposed by the Processing Archivist. Some materials were consolidated to eliminate excess bulk but items within folders were not arranged further. The guide may or may not include a more refined lists of folder contents. Non-archival housing was replaced for long-term stability, but staples and other fasteners have not all been removed.

Minimal level processing and machine-readable finding aid completed by Nicole Blechydnen, 2017 August.

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Scope and Contents

Contains marketing material for dictionary sales and trade literature including reviews, critical reviews, and short essays on publishers of dictionaries such as Noah Webster, and related topics like spelling reform. Some excerpted dictionary pages are also present.

Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

Types of Materials:

Business ephemera
Ephemera

Container Listing

Marketing Material and Trade Literature, 1831-1954

Box 1, Folder 1	Bureau of Education on Spelling Reform, 1881
Box 1, Folder 2	Century Dictionary and Cyclopedia, circa 1897
Box ADD16, Folder 3	Chicago Tribune Pronouncing Dictionary, 1886
Box 1, Folder 3	Foreign Language Dictionaries, 1877-1887
Box 1, Folder 4-6	Funk and Wagnalls Standard Dictionary, 1892-1923
Box 1, Folder 7	Medical Dictionaries, undated
Box 1, Folder 8	Miscellaneous Dictionaries, 1834-1911
Box 1, Folder 9	English Dictionaries: Which is the Best?, 1892
Box 1, Folder 10-16	Webster's International Dictionary, 1831-1954
Map-folder 8	Dictionaries

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