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

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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives Center, National Museum of American History
Title:	Warshaw Collection of Business Americana Subject Categories: Fireworks
Date:	circa 1859-1914
Identifier:	NMAH.AC.0060.S01.01.Fireworks
Creator:	Warshaw, Isadore, 1900-1969
Extent:	0.47 Cubic feet (consisting of 1 box, 1 oversize folder.)
Language:	English .
Summary:	A New York bookseller, Warshaw assembled this collection over nearly fifty years. The <i>Warshaw Collection of Business Americana: Fireworks</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

Fireworks 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)

Forms Part Of

Forms part of the [Warshaw Collection of Business Americana](#) .

Missing Title:

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

Processing Information

Oversize material is unprocessed.

Preferred Citation

Warshaw Collection of Business Americana Subject Categories: Fireworks, Archives Center,
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Restrictions

Collection is open for research. Some items may be restricted due to fragile condition.

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Scope and Contents

This material consists primarily of scattered correspondence on letterhead stationery, printed advertisements, price lists, bills/receipts, programs and catalogs from manufacturers, distributors, and importers of fireworks. The material dates from ca. 1859 - 1914.

Arrangement

Arranged in two subseries. The first is arranged alphabetically by company. The second is arranged by type.

- Subseries 1: Companies
- Subseries 2: Programs, Images, and Miscellaneous

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Amusements
Fireworks

Types of Materials:

Business ephemera
Ephemera

Container Listing

Subseries 1: Companies

Box 1, Folder 1	Allan Pyro Spectacular Company, New York
Box 1, Folder 2	Badeau, Lockwood & Company, Barclay, New York
Box 1, Folder 3	Bennett, Edwin, New York
Box 1, Folder 4	Brown, A. S. & J., Boston, Massachusetts
Box 1, Folder 5	Consolidated Fireworks Company of America, New York
Box 1, Folder 5	Cutter, Austin & Company, Boston, Massachusetts
Box 1, Folder 6	Detwiller & Street Fireworks Manufacturing Company, New York
Box 1, Folder 6	Edge, Joseph G. & Isaac, Jersey City, New Jersey
Box 1, Folder 7	Gregory Fireworks Company, Chicago, Illinois
Box 1, Folder 8	International Fireworks Company, Schenectady, New York
Box 1, Folder 8	International Sparkler Company, Belleville, New Jersey
Box 1, Folder 9	Lilliendahl, G.
Box 1, Folder 10	A. Lyon Brothers, New York
Box 1, Folder 11-16	Masten & Wells Fireworks Manufacturing Company, Boston, Massachusetts
Box 1, Folder 17	Miller, George, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Box 1, Folder 18-20	Pain Manufacturing Company, Chicago, Illinois
Box 1, Folder 21	Peabody & Whitney, Boston, Massachusetts
Box 1, Folder 22	Rotonde, Paschal & Company, Schenectady, New York
Box 1, Folder 23	Sanderson & Lanergan, Boston, Massachusetts
Box 1, Folder 24	Scotfield, W. R., New York
Box 1, Folder 25	Schenectady Fireworks Company, Schenectady, New York
Box 1, Folder 26	Unexcelled Fireworks Company, St.Louis, Missouri

Box 1, Folder 27 United Fireworks Company, Trenton, New Jersey

Box 1, Folder 28 Wagner, C. A., Columbus, Ohio

Box 1, Folder 28 Wells, B. T., Boston, Massachusetts

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Subseries 2: Programs, Images, and Miscellaneous

Box 1, Folder 29 Programs

Box 1, Folder 30 General Images

Box 1, Folder 31-32 Miscellaneous

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