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Guide to the Warsaw Collection of Business Americana Subject Categories: Material Handling

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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives Center, National Museum of American History
Title:	Warshaw Collection of Business Americana Subject Categories: Material Handling
Date:	circa 1943-1955
Identifier:	NMAH.AC.0060.S01.01.Material
Creator:	Warshaw, Isadore, 1900-1969
Extent:	0.45 Cubic feet (consisting of 1 box.)
Language:	English .
Summary:	A New York bookseller, Warshaw assembled this collection over nearly fifty years. The <i>Warshaw Collection of Business Americana: Material Handling</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

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

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Scope and Contents

This material consists primarily of pamphlets, operating manuals and periodicals from manufacturers of equipment for handling goods from the time of receipt, through production, processing, storage and shipping. Most of the information is directed toward the industry. There is a concern that this literature is of a practical nature stressing modern and efficient methods. The available equipment advertised assures the buyer that handling costs will be reduced without cutting efficiency, safety or comfort to operators. Some of the equipment includes industrial trunks, tractors, portable electric cranes, hoisting mechanisms, tilting mechanisms, lifting and placing flats. The material dates from ca. 1943-1955.

Arrangement

The material is organized by name of company. There are only a few companies represented, however, these companies have a substantial amount of material namely periodicals published by the manufacturer.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Materials handling
Tractors

Types of Materials:

Business ephemera
Ephemera

Container Listing

Business Records, Trade Literature, and Other

Box 1, Folder 1-8	Towmotor Company Notes: Cleveland, Ohio
Box 1, Folder 9	Union Metal manufacturing Company Notes: Canton, Ohio
Box 1, Folder 10	Western Electric Company, Incorporated Notes: New York
Box 1, Folder 11-14	Yale & Towne Manufacturing Company Notes: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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