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## Guide to the Warsaw Collection of Business Americana Subject Categories: Polishes

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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	Archives Center, National Museum of American History
<b>Title:</b>	Warshaw Collection of Business Americana Subject Categories: Polishes
<b>Date:</b>	undated 1927
<b>Identifier:</b>	NMAH.AC.0060.S01.01.Polishes
<b>Creator:</b>	Warshaw, Isadore, 1900-1969
<b>Extent:</b>	0.51 Cubic feet (consisting of 1 box, 1 folder, 1 oversize folder, 1 map case folder, plus digital images of some collection material. )
<b>Language:</b>	English .
<b>Summary:</b>	A New York bookseller, Warshaw assembled this collection over nearly fifty years. The <i>Warshaw Collection of Business Americana: Polishes</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: <a href="#">Warshaw Collection of Business Americana</a>

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## Administrative Information

### Acquisition Information

Polishes 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](#) .

- [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. A large portion of stored material from the original acquisition received minimal level processing, which resulted in additions to this Subject category. This effort included basic arrangement and replacement of non-archival housing for long-term stability, but staples and other fasteners have not all been removed. Revisions to the encoded finding aid were made to reflect the added content in context to the previously processed material.

Minimal level processing and enhancement of the machine-readable finding aid completed by Nicole Blechynden, September 2017.

## Preferred Citation

Warshaw Collection of Business Americana Subject Categories: Polishes, Archives Center, National Museum of American History, Smithsonian Institution

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## General

Brand name index

Polishes:

*Brand Name*: Manufacturer

*Anchor*: S.S. Myers

*Belle*: Wm. H. Lestor

*Black Eagle*: Nickel Plate Stove Polish

*Brillante*: E.D. Ranson & Company

*Brightest*: Scottrone & Plummer

*Click 88*: Hammacher & Schlemmer

*Columbia*: Henry H. Meday & Co.

*Common Sense*: Gano & Martin

*Crown*: Leggett Bros.

*Dan-Dee*: Twin City Shellac Co.

*Dime*: S.M. Bixby

*Eagle*: Willard & Lane

*Ebony*: Buffalo Polish Co.

*Enameline*: J.L. Prescott & Co.

*Excelsior*: Walpole Emery Mills

*Globe*: Raimes

*Imperial*: G.M. Loomis  
*Imperial*: Rath. Mfg. Co.  
*Imperial*: Stetson, Carpenter & Co.  
*Indian*: Dr .I. Watkins & Bros.  
*Jet*: Henry S. Ziegler  
*Lusterine*: American Chemical Mfg & Mining Co.  
*Monarch*: Baird Bros. & Co.  
*O-Cedar*: Johnson  
*Owl*: Leggett Bros.  
*Police*: Gano & Martin  
*Raven*: N.H. Parker & Co.  
*Royal*: S.M.Bixby  
*Royal*: Cando Co.  
*Rising Sun*: Morse Bros.  
*Scouree*: J.W. Grady & Co.  
*Shino*: Pioneer Mfg. Co.  
*Staybright*: Morgan Bros.  
*Stapco*: Standard Preserving Co.  
*Sunnyside*: Strow , Wile & Co.  
*Tavern*: Socony Vacuum  
*Trump*: Edw.K.Tryon Co.  
*Universal*: Borsum Bros.  
*Universal Putz-Pasta*: Meyers Putz Pomande Co.  
*White Diamond*: Matchless Metal Polish Co.  
*Vernax*: Hammacher & Schlemmer  
*Vulcanol*: J.L. Prescott & Co.  
*Women's Suffrage*: Phoenix Mfg. Co.

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## 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

### Business Records, Marketing Material, and Other, 1927, undated

Box SUPP 24, Folder 3      Marketing Material, 1927, undated  
Notes:      Trade cards and a novelty promotional booklet *Who Will I Marry, a Game of Fate* (undated). Products include stove polish and pastes, shoe dressing, Electro-Silicon for gold and silver ware, two Enameline paper doll pigs, and Noble polish for pianos.

Oversize 47, Folder 18      Polishes

Map-folder 7      Polishes

Box 1, Folder 1      American Chemical Mfg. Company, Rochester, New York, undated

Box 1, Folder 2      Baird bros. and Company, Cleveland, Ohio, undated

Box 1, Folder 2      H.A. Bartlett and Company, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, undated

Box 1, Folder 2      M.I. Bedford and Company, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, undated

Box 1, Folder 3      Bixby Son, New York, undated

Box 1, Folder 4      S.P. Blackburn and Company, Boston, Massachusetts, undated

Box 1, Folder 4      Bonsum Bros., New York, undated

Box 1, Folder 4      Boston Furniture Polishing Company, Boston, Massachusetts, undated

Box 1, Folder 4      Bonded Chemicals, Lima, Ohio, undated

Box 1, Folder 5      Bowen, E.L., Linden, Massachusetts, undated

Box 1, Folder 5      Boyd and Pease, New York, undated

Box 1, Folder 5      Brooke's Monkey Brand soap, undated

Box 1, Folder 6      E.L. Bruce Company, Memphis, Tennessee, undated

Box 1, Folder 6      Buffalo Polish Company, Buffalo, New York, undated

Box 1, Folder 6      Cando Company, Boston, Massachusetts, undated

Box 1, Folder 6      George W. Conk Co., Newark, New Jersey, undated

Box 1, Folder 7	Cedarine Allen Company, Clinton, New York, undated
Box 1, Folder 7	Champion Paste Stove Polish Company, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, undated
Box 1, Folder 7	C.C. Childs and Company, Pittsfield, Massachusetts, undated
Box 1, Folder 7	W.J. Davies and Sons, London, undated
Box 1, Folder 7	Dennison Manufacturing Co., Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Chicago, Cincinnati and St. Louis, undated
Box 1, Folder 8	Diamond Lustre Com[pany, Boston, undated
Box 1, Folder 8	E.F. Dieterichs, Cleveland, Ohio, undated
Box 1, Folder 8	J.B. Dobbins, Philadelphia, undated
Box 1, Folder 8	Frderik A. Douglass, Watertown, New York, undated
Box 1, Folder 8	Douglas and Kingsland, Middletown, Connecticut, undated
Box 1, Folder 9	Jas. Dixon Crucible, Jersey City, New Jersey, undated
Box 1, Folder 9	Donald Durham Company, Des Moines, Iowa, undated
Box 1, Folder 9	DuPont, Wilmington, Delaware, undated
Box 1, Folder 10	S. Einstein and Company, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, undated
Box 1, Folder 11	The Electro-Silicon Company, New York, undated
Box 1, Folder 12	Joseph Elliot, Somerville, Massachusetts, undated
Box 1, Folder 13	Charles J. Ellis, undated
Box 1, Folder 14	Fahy, Schantz, Bullock Company, Rochester, New York, undated
Box 1, Folder 14	J.M. French Manufacturing Company, Rochester, New York, undated
Box 1, Folder 14	W.P. Fuller and Company, San Francisco, California, undated
Box 1, Folder 14	Fowler, Dick and Walker, Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, undated
Box 1, Folder 15	Gano and Martin, Chicao, Illinois, undated
Box 1, Folder 15	J. Gddard Manufacturing Chemist, Leicester, undated

Box 1, Folder 15	Gold Seal, undated
Box 1, Folder 15	James Good Company, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, undated
Box 1, Folder 15	J.W. Grady and Company, New York, undated
Box 1, Folder 15	Gulf Oil Corporation, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, undated
Box 1, Folder 16	G. Warren Hall, Boston, Massachusetts, undated
Box 1, Folder 16	C.W. Hart, Troy, New York, undated
Box 1, Folder 16	Hinds and Coon, Boston, Massachusetts, undated
Box 1, Folder 17	George William Hoffman, Indianapolis, Indiana, undated
Box 1, Folder 17	A.F. Jordan, Attleboro, Massachusetts, undated
Box 1, Folder 18	Herman Kornahrens, Inc., undated
Box 1, Folder 19	International Metal Polish Co., Indianapolis, Indiana, undated
Box 1, Folder 20	Leggett & Brother, New York, undated
Box 1, Folder 21	William H. Lester, Rochester, New York, undated
Box 1, Folder 21	C.M. Loomis, New Haven, Connecticut, undated
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Box 1, Folder 24	Masback Incorporated Distributor, undated
Box 1, Folder 24	Matchless Metal Polish Company, Chicago, Illinois, undated
Box 1, Folder 25	Meyers Putz Pomade Company, Boston, Massachusetts, undated
Box 1, Folder 26	<a href="#">Morse Bros., proprietors of rising sun polish factory and black lead works, Canton, Massachusetts, undated</a>
Box 1, Folder 27	Nickel Plate Stove Polish Company, Chicago, Illinois, undated



Box 1, Folder 28	N.H. Parker and Company, Boston, Massachusetts, New York and Chicago, undated
Box 1, Folder 29	Phoenix Manufacturing Company, Taunton, Massachusetts, undated
Box 1, Folder 30	J. Pickering, Sheffield, England, undated
Box 1, Folder 31	Pioneer Manufacturing Co., Cleveland, Ohio, undated
Box 1, Folder 32	Warren B. Plympton, Boston, Massachusetts, undated
Box 1, Folder 33	J.L. Prescott and Company, New York, New York and North Berwick, Maine, undated
Box 1, Folder 34	Raimes and Company, New York, New York, undated
Box 1, Folder 35	E.D. Ransom and Company, Albany, New York, undated
Box 1, Folder 35	Rath Manufacturing Company, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, undated
Box 1, Folder 36	Hammacher Schlemmer, New York, New York, undated
Box 1, Folder 37	Scottron and Plummer Manufacturers, Springfield, Massachusetts, undated
Box 1, Folder 37	Simoniz Company, Chicago, Illinois, undated
Box 1, Folder 38	Charles J. Smith and Company, New York, undated
Box 1, Folder 39	Socony-Vacuum Laboratories, New York, undated
Box 1, Folder 40	Frederic B. Stevens, Inc. Detroit, Michigan, undated
Box 1, Folder 41	Alden Speare's Sons and Company, Boston, New York, and Chicago, undated
Box 1, Folder 41	Standard Preserving Company, Boston, Massachusetts, undated
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Box 1, Folder 42	Edward K. Tryon Company, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, undated
Box 1, Folder 43	J.A. Tumbler Laboratories, Baltimore, Maryland, undated
Box 1, Folder 43	Twin City Shellac Company,, Inc., Brooklyn, New York, undated
Box 1, Folder 44	Union Supply Company, Chicago, Illinois, undated

Box 1, Folder 45	Walpole Emery Mills, Boston, Massachusetts, undated
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