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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives Center, National Museum of American History
Title:	GAF Records
Date:	1939-1963
Identifier:	NMAH.AC.1476
Source:	GAF Corporation
Creator:	AnSCO Company
Extent:	3 Cubic feet (3 boxes)
Language:	English .
Summary:	The collection consists of historical and business records for ANSCO, a company now owned by GAF (General Aniline and Film Corporation).

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Collection donated to the Photographic History Collections of the National Museum of American History, by GAF. Transferred to the Archives Center in 2019.

Provenance

Collection transferred to the Archives Center from the Photographic History Collections (now Division of Work and Industry) of the National Museum of American History in 2019.

Preferred Citation

GAF Records, Archives Center, National Museum of American History

Restrictions

Collection is open for research.

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Content Description

Collection includes business correspondence, some of it regarding a collection of Matthew B. Brady photographs; photographs, mostly of the company's products, biographical information on Edward A. Anthony, who started Anthony & Scovill, which merged with AGFA in 1928; multiple written accounts of the history of the company; trade literature; catalogs; price lists; company newsletters; scholarly journals; legal documents; and clippings. There is a small number of papers relating to Edward A. Anthony's first company, Anthony and Co., dating back to 1877.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

- Camera industry
- Letters (correspondence) -- 20th century
- Photographic film industry
- Scholarly periodicals

Types of Materials:

- Black-and-white photographs
- Business records -- 20th century
- Clippings -- 20th century
- Histories
- Legal documents -- 20th century
- Newsletters -- 20th century
- Price lists
- Trade catalogs
- Trade literature -- 20th century

Names:

- Agfa (Firm)
- AnSCO Company
- Anthony, Edward A.
- Anthony, Edward A.
- GAF Corporation