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## GAF Records

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## Collection Overview

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

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## Administrative Information

### Acquisition Information

Collection donated to the Photographic History Collections of the National Museum of American History, by GAF.

### 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.

### Conditions Governing Use

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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.

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## 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.
- National Museum of American History (U.S.). Division of Work and Industry

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## Container Listing

Volume 1	Volume 1
Volume 2	Volume 2
Volume 3	Volume 3
Volume 4	Volume 4
Box 1	Unprocessed material
Box 2	Unprocessed material
Box 3	Unprocessed material