

Finding aid for the furniture history and design archival collection Collection 335

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Summary Information

Repository: Grand Rapids Public Library, Grand Rapids History and Special

Collections Department

Title: Furniture history and design archival collection

ID: Collection 335

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Toolkit

Database::RESOURCE]:

Date [inclusive]: 1876-1997

Physical Description: 9.7 Linear Feet 15 boxes

Language of the

Material:

English

Abstract: This collection is a sibling to the Furniture Design Book Collection

that is housed in the Furniture Room in the Grand Rapids History & Special Collections department. This archival collection is unique within the Grand Rapids Public Library Archives, in that it documents national, and to a limited extent international, rather than local and regional historical information. This national literature serves as a reference source to those studying the history of the furniture industry in the United States. Grand Rapids, which is historically known as the "Furniture City," is a significant part of that heritage. Included at present is a kit of paper furniture models, graphic clippings notebooks and several trade catalogs from non-Michigan furniture companies.

Scope and Contents

Included in this collection are materials which support the historical research and departmental strengths in the area of furniture history and design, but which are typically out of scope in terms of the traditional local, West Michigan regional and Michigan collecting of the department and the archives in particular.

Due to limitations on funding and space, this collection is not the primary acquisitions focus of the department. But, national and international furniture history and design materials which become available, primarily as gifts or transfers within the library, are housed here when they need archival housing and/or description.

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Related Materials

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Coll. 232, GRPL Furniture Trade Catalog Collection, for catalogs related to the Grand Rapids furniture industry.

Coll. 233, GRPL Furniture Industry Collection, for other printed matter associated with Grand Rapids furniture companies.

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Controlled Access Headings

- Grand Rapids (Mich.) -- History
- Furniture industry and trade -- History

trade catalogs

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Karges by Hand (Evansville, In.)

Title/Description	Instances
Web History http://www.karges.com/kar hist.html	Box 3

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Series II. Trade Catalogs

Scope and Contents

Arranged alphabetically by company name.

Previous to 2003, national furniture trade literature was not been part of the collecting scope of the GRPL Archives. With in move of the Furniture Trade Book Collection to the department, now called Grand Rapids History & Special Collections Center, national ephemeral literature which had not been previously processed and was problematic for traditional cataloging and book shelving, came to the Archives.

Amerock. American Cabinet Hardware Corp. (Rockford Il.)

Title/Description	Instances
Catalog of Distinctive Hardware / Amerock. American Cabinet Hardware Corp., Rockford, Ill. General Hardware Catalog no.	Box 4
650, ca. 1950S" Loose leaf binder. 00.[5235].1	

Art Metal (Jamestown, N.Y.)

itle/Description	Instances
We've Conquered Space with the 'mainliner desk". Art Metal, Jamestown, N.Y. West Coat Printing & Binding Co., Portland, Oregon. [Blotter.]	Box 4
Airline Desks / Art Metal Construction Co. AD1773.B with Ad clipping pg. [95]-96 unidentified source.	Box 4
Individuality in Desk Design by Art Metal, 1931.	Box 4
Mainliner Desks for the speedways of business. 1939. AD1765. Includes a bird's eye view of the factory complex inside front cover.	Box 4
Art Metal Special Purpose Desks, c. 1935, AD 1606.	Box 4

Title/Description	Instances
Gregson Office Chairs / B.J. Gregson, Inc., Liberty, N.C. Net Price List, effective Aug. 15, 1938.	Box 4
Bassick Sack Division, Stewart-Warner Corp.	, (Winston Salem, N.C.)
Title/Description	Instances
Catalogue no. 72, 1972. P2007.027.5 836 pages of hardware illustrations with unknown pages at the back.	Box 4
Beckley-Cardy Company (Chicago)	
Title/Description	Instances
School Furniture and Equipment. Catalog no. 16.	Box 4
Beecher Falls Co. (Beecher Falls, Vermont)	
Title/Description	Instances
The Bedroom Book: illustrating and describing selected designs of sensible furniture for the bedroom / Beecher Falls Co., [ca. 1914] Accompanied by: Price list. Memo dated May 18, 1914. P2007.xxx	Box 4
Borroughs (?)	
Title/Description	Instances
Borroughs Correct Posture Chair. Form OP 1005. Blotter.	
Bright Chair Co., Inc. (New York, N.Y.)	
Title/Description	Instances
Bright Chairs: built for character and strength. Cover title. "To our Friends in the Office Furniture trade, we offer this, our first catalog".	Box 4
Price list no. 3, applying to Catalogue 1. Sept. 20, 1937.	Box 4
Bright Chairs Blue Ribbon Group.	
Title/Description	Instances
Bright Chairs : Supplementary edition.	Box 4
Price List, applying to Supplementary Catalogue. n.d.	Box 4
Buckstaff (Oshkosh, Wis.)	
Buckstaff (Oshkosh, Wis.) Title/Description	Instances

Office Furniture / Buskstaff, Oshkosh, Wisconsin. "Buckstaff Bent Frame Construction."	Box 4
Office Furniture / Buskstaff, Oshkosh, Wisconsin. "4-41-2M."	Box 4
Office Furniture / Buskstaff, Oshkosh, Wisconsin. Price List applicable to Office Furniture Catalog. Prices Effective May 1, 1941 / The Buckstaff Co.	Box 4

Charak Furniture Company

Title/Description	Instances
Charak: limited editions: replicas from the cabinet shop of	Box 8
Charak, located in Boston, Mass. : Charak Furniture Co. ; Paris :	
Daniel Jacomet & Cie., n.d. Ill.; 33 cm. "Printed in France	
especially for Charak by Daniel Jacomet & Cie, Paris-New	
York." Vellum type covers which show signs of water damage,	
possible mold. Formerly 232-16-4	

Cincinnati Metalcrafts Inc.

Title/Description	Instances
Folder no. 22, Cincinnati Metalcrafts, Incorp. Grillwork, signs, marquees, etc. Flyer.	Box 4
Bank Fixture Price List, folder no. 22, Cincinnati Metalcrafts. 1993.011?	Box 4

Central Desk Manufacturing Co. (Chicago, Il.)

Title/Description	Instances
Central Desks : catalog no. 55. "Quality Desks for over 50 years"	Box 10
Price List, effective, Dec. 9, 1940, apply to Catalog no. 55.	Box 10
Price list, effective Dec. 1, 1941, apply to Catalog no. 55.	Box 10

Clemco Desk Manufacturing Co. (Chicago, Il.)

Title/Description	Instances
Dignity and Simplicity: catalog R (AIA File 35-8-41) 2 copies	Box 4
Price Lists "S"-3 and "R"-2, Effective Dec. 30, 1940.	Box 4
A Clemco Desk, n.d. (AIA File 35-H-41) Includes various flyers for several lines.	Box 4
A Clemco Desk: 89 Line specifications. M-7-3-35-3 ½ Price Lists "S"-8 and "R"-7. Jan. 5, 1942. (2 copies)	Box 4

Commercial Furniture Company (Chicago)

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Supplement to Price list "T", Mar. 5, 1938.	Box 4
Crest Company (Chicago, II.)	
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Portfolio 39. n.d. "Symbol of High Quality" Accompanied by: Net Wholesale Price list of Portfolio no. 39.	Box 4
Curtis (Clinton, Iowa & Chicago)	
Title/Description	Instances
1. The New Victory Locker by Curtis, n.d.[ca. 1943]	Box 4
2. Letter. Jan. 19, 1943. to F. Nowak, Grand Rapids from S.S. Cook, Chicago Division.	Box 4
DayBrite Lighting Inc. (St. Louis, Mo.)	
Title/Description	Instances
Catalog 14. The Complete Line of Flourescent Lighting Fixtures. (AIA File no. 31-F-2) Accompanied by: Day-Brite Price list No. 114FL. Jan. 5, 1942 Memo letter. Jan. 4, 1942 from Advertising Manager.	Box 4
Dazor Manufacturing Co. (St. Louis, Mo.)	
Title/Description	Instances
Dazor Floating Lamps, fluorescent and incandescent. n.d. Form 501.	Box 4
Engineering Sales Company (Sheboygan, Wis	.)
Title/Description	Instances
Esco Productions: equipment for the drafting room. Catalog 2A. Accompanied by: Price List EWP-3. Effective March 15, 1941.	Box 4
Excellent Cabinet Works Corp. (Brooklyn, N.	Y.)
Title/Description	Instances
Redex : executive Office Furniture : wood storage cabinets, lockers, wardrobes. Wholesale Price list, Effective Nov. 1942. (2 copies)	Box 4
F.H. Lawson Company (Cincinnati, Ohio)	
Title/Description	Instances
Lawson Products for the Office. May 15, 1940. Primarily trash cans and foot stools. Accompanied by a price list. April 1, 1940.	Box 4

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Citle/Description	Instances	
New Development in Controlled Fluorescent Lighting / Faries Manufacturing Co., Decatur, Il. Flyer.	Box 4	
Filing Equipment Bureau, Inc.		
Title/Description	Instances	
Library furniture. Boston, Mass: Filing Equipment Bureau, Inc., c. 1928. ill; 28 cm. Formerly 232-16-11	Box 3	
Library Furniture. Feb. / Filing Equipment Bureau, Boston, Mass. n.d. Brown paper folder. "Ca. 1928" on cover. Source of date information unknown.	Box 4	
Background! A Factor of Importance. [single sheet with Reference Alcover of Providence Public Library branch image].	Box 4	
23 Blueline sheets illustrating library furniture, ca. 1934 receipt date.	Box 4	
Frederick Post Co. (Chicago)		
Title/Description	Instances	
Adinate and lat of table for a little anger. Descripe Table an		
Adjusto: a lot of table for a little space. Drawing Table no. 2264. 1993.001	Box 4	
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Metal Business Equipment. Catalog no. 36B	Box 4
Adjustable Aluminum Seating, throughout the office: personalized, Good Form. 1940. F-733-3.	Box 4
Multi fold flyer, with one page torn loose. Accompanied by 2 paged letter: Oct. 21, 1940. General Fireproofing Co. letterhead. "Comfortable Seating"	Box 4
Globe-Wernicke (Cincinnati)	
Title/Description	Instances
Equipment – Furniture. Class no. 26. Jan. 1-Dec. 31, 1935.	Box 4
The Defender Line: Streamlined wood business equipment. "Defender" Wood Business Equipment. Consumers' Price Book no. 104-41-1, effective, Sept. 1, 1941.	Box 4
Steel Office Equipment. Catalog no. 1441. Accompanied by: Consumers' price Book no. 1441-1. July 15, 1941.	Box 4
Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. (Akron, Ohio)	
Title/Description	Instances
"Airfoam Super Cushioning, made only by Goodyear". Catalog of Standard Furniture Cushioning. C. 1955. Book no. 244. 3-ring binder 00.[5236].1	Box 5.5
Great Northern Chair Co. (Chicago, Il.)	
Title/Description	Instances
[Great Northern Chair Co.]: Catalog no. 33, 1937.	Box 4
Price List for Bentwood and Metal Furniture, applying to catalog no. 33, effective Aug. 27, 1937.	Box 4
Revised Price list for Supplement no. 32 and catalog no. 33, effective Mar. 28, 1938.	Box 4
Grand Woodworking Company (Chicago, Il.)	
Title/Description	Instances
Ogden Desks. Nos. 1500 and 1600 Island Base Series. Flyer with Stow-Davis Furniture Company attached. Accompanied by: Price List. Ogden Desks for All Office Requirements. Jan. 2, 1942 2 Printed Trade images. 11 Blueprint trade images. List of Prices on small sheet.	Box 4
Hamilton Manufacturing Co. (Rahway, N.J.)	
Title/Description	Instances

Modern Drafting Furniture by Hamilton. c. 1938. Accompanied by: Registered Catalog no. 38239. Card Letter (2 sheets). July 14, 1939. To Stow-Davis on Hamilton letterhead.	Box 4
Hamilton Catalog no. 12: filing equipment that saves time and tracings; drafting tables that increase output—cover title. First page: Modernize Your Drafting Room Now, with Hamilton	Box 4

Hoosier Desk Company (Jasper, In.)

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Letter. Hoosier Desk Co. letterhead. May 25, 1943.	Box 4
Wholesale Price list, applying to Catalog no. 50, Nov. 17, 1941.	Box 4
Wholesale Price list, applying to catalog no. 50, Aug. 20, 1941.	Box 4
Wholesale Price list, applying to catalog no. 50, May 25, 1943.	Box 4
Pedestal Typewriter Desks. N.d.	Box 4
Professional Office and Home Desks. [flyer] n.d.	Box 4
Specifications of Series [5 flyers with various different series numbers]	Box 4
Specifications of Suite [8 flyers with various named suites]	Box 4

Imperial Desk Company (Evansville, In.)

Title/Description	Instances
Imperial Desks : catalog no. 42.	Box 4
Price list and Telegraph Code, applying to catalog no. 42. Effective Nov. 25, 1941.	Box 4

Smart Furniture for the Modern Office / by Imperial : [trade lit. packet in red decorative paper cover] 15 items

Title/Description	Instances
Office Furniture Price list and Telegraph Code effective Jan. 14, 1936.	Box 4
Form letter on Imperial letterhead. N.d.	Box 4
Form letter, no letterhead or date.	Box 4
Wholesale price list, the Imperial Temperdesk Group. May 15, 1936.	Box 4

Stimulate your summer sales. Dealer's discount 50%. N.d.	Box 4
Use These Mats in your newspaper advertising [flyer] n.d.	Box 4
9 flyers for various furniture lines by series no.	Box 4
Indiana Desk Company (Jasper, In.)	
Title/Description	Instances
Desks & Tables of Quality / Indiana Desk Co.	Box 4
Indiana Desk Company presents Two additional series of smart Office Furniture : the 5000 line and the 900 line. 12 pg. Brochure, n.d.	Box 4
Wholesale Price List to Dealers only. Effective, Jan. 15, 1936.	Box 4
Interiors' Imports Co.	
Title/Description	Instances
Palladio. N.Y.: N.Y., 1964. 2007.012.6	Box 8
Invincible Metal Furniture Co. (Mantiwoc, V	Vis.)
Title/Description	Instances
Safe! In a safe concealed in your office file. Invincible Metal Furniture Co., Mantiwoc, Wis.	Box 4
Invincible Line. Catalog no. 40. n.d. This copy has "John Hood Millar" engraved on the cover.	Box 4
Invincible Steel Equipment. Price List no. 60. Dec. 11, 1933.	Box 4
J.K. Rishel Furniture Co. (Williamsport, Pa.)	
Title/Description	Instances
Office Furniture January 15, 1937 price list bound near the back of the catalog.	Box 5
Jamestown Metal Corporation (Jamestown, I	N.Y.)
Title/Description	Instances
Jamestown Products : Steel Desks, Steel Tables, Steel Filing Cabinetsn.d.	Box 5
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Jamestown Table Company (Jamestown, N.Y	
Jamestown Table Company (Jamestown, N.) Title/Description	Instances

Title/Description	Instances
Office Chairs: illustrating our newest designs of better chairs for banks, libraries, schools and public buildings: catalog no. 25 / Jasper Chair Co., Jasper, In.; Koenemann Riehl & Co., Evansville, In. (Creative Printers), c. 1938.	Box 5
Price List, dated Aug. 29, 1938. Has bird's eye view of plant inside last page. Has pg. 30, "Repair Diagram" for a wood chair naming the various parts.	Box 5
Jasper Desk Company (Jasper, In.)	
Title/Description	Instances
Wood Office Desks: typewriter desks, tables and school furniture: catalog no. 424 / Jasper Desk Co., Jasper, In. "Our 66th Year", 1876-1941.	Box 5
Wholesale Price List applying to Catalo no. 409, Nov. 20, 1941.	Box 5
Wholesale Price list for catalog no. 424, dated Jan. 10, 1942.	Box 5
Former letter/trade flyer. N.d. of letter Jasper Chair Co. letterhead. With "The "V" Number" flyer portion, referencing Mar. 1, 1942.	Box 5
Jasper Office Furniture Co. (Jasper, In.)	
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Jackson Desks: catalog no. 407 / Jasper Office Furniture Co., n.d. Note in pencil on front cover: Return to Stow Davis Furniture Co., Grand Rapids, Michigan.	Box 5
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Jackson Desks: catalog no. 407 / Jasper Office Furniture Co., n.d. Note in pencil on front cover: Return to Stow Davis Furniture Co., Grand Rapids, Michigan. Price List, Advance Proof Folder no. 4, Dated May 10, 1939.	Box 5
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Price List for Victory Chairs. Blue. n.d.	Box 5
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Karges by Hand (Evansville, In.) 00.[3511].1-3

Title/Description	Instances
Edwin Karges, Jr, and Jeffrey Karges take pleasure in presenting the Albert & Edwin Collection, commemorating 100 years of art in wood [and other collections] [ca. 1986]	Box 5
The Best in the House. [ca. 1987]	Box 5
Karges a concert of wood and design, 1991.	Box 5

Lyon Metal Products, Inc. (Aurora, Il.)

Title/Description	Instances
Wood Engineered for the duration. n.d. Bulletin No. 1708 S.	Box 5
Flyer addressed to Stow Davis Furniture Co.	Box 5

M.G. West Company (San Francisco, Calif.)

Title/Description	Instances
West Made Desks. n.d. [flyer]	Box 5

Marble & Shattuck (Cleveland, Ohio)

Title/Description	Instances
Fine Office Chairs. Combined Supplement. No. 2 & 3 to Catalog no. 58.	Box 5
Marble & Shattuck Chairs of Quality for every Commercial Requirement. Supplement no. 4 to Catalog no. 58.	Box 5
Fine Office Chairs. Combined Catalog of active M & S chairs Aug. 1943. Accompanied by: Fine Office Chairs. Supplement B1 to Catalog no. 59. n.d Price List to combined catalog, Sept. 1943. Yellow	Box 5

Margrace Mills, Inc.; A.W. Baylis Co. (New York), Sole Selling Agents, Novelite Spreads (bed spreads)

Title/Description	Instances
Bedroom Interiors: [Novelite Spreads] / Margrace Mills, Inc.; A.W. Baylis Co., New York Sole selling agents. Illustrations by	Box 5
Lurelle Van Arsdale Guild. 1923. Accompanied by half sheet	

memo from A.W. Baylis Co. 2005.040.5a-b

Title/Description	Instances
1. Marlite Genuine Wood-Veneers and carstenite panels for creating beautiful interiors. Marsh Wall products, Inc., Dover, Ohio. C. 1939.	Box 5
2. Marlite for creating beautiful interios / Marsh Wall products, Inc., Dover, Ohio. AIA File no. 23-L-2. N.d., but has some illustrations similar to above.	Box 5
3. Installation instructions for Marsh Wall Products8 pg. N.d.	Box 5
4. Marlite for creating beautiful commercial and institutional interiors Has the Hot Shoppe, Washington, D.C., E. Burton Corning, architect, as part of the cover illustration. Diner. Has illustrations for various venues in various cities, with some Detroit connection, but nothing for Grand Rapids. 1993.011	Box 5
Milwaukee Chair Company (Milwaukee, Wis.	
Title/Description	Instances
Milwaukee presents new trends in modern office chairs n.d.	Box 5
Proven Performance speaks for itself 1938. Publication has numerous illustrations of national organizations using the product, including the City of Saginaw, Michigan.	Box 5
New Series of Milwaukee Chairs Supplement no. 1 to Catalog no. 58	Box 5
Milwaukee Finer Chairs : catalog no. 59.	Box 5
Price List no. 86, Nov. 5, 1941.	Box 5
Murphy Chair Co. (Owensboro, Kentucky)	
Title/Description	Instances
Catalog no. 66, 1938-1939. Has price list attached inside front cover. Sticker under the price list has: John H. Millar, Grand Rapids, Michigan.	Box 5
Myrtle Desk Co. (High Point, N.C.)	
Title/Description	Instances
Office Furniture, 1900 to 1940: Catalog no. 41. Accompanied by: Price List Apr. 1, 1941.	Box 5
Nahon Company (New York, N.Y.)	
Title/Description	Instances

The Nanon Company: Nahon's Reproductions of fine 18th		
Century Traditional Furniture, ca. 1950. Accompanied by a		
price list on company letterhead dated Jan. 1950. 00.[5261].1		

Box 7

National Cushion Co., N.Y.

Title/Description	Instances
Foam Whipped Latex Cushioning. Postcard with ad/ill. On backside. Addressed to Stow & Davis Furniture Co., 70-112 Front Ave. SW Postal stamp 1940 N.Y., N.Y. 1993.011	Box 5

National Desk Company (Herkimer, N.Y.)

itle/Description	Instances	
[Brown paper finder with undated trade literature] Accompanied by: Series 76. 1 sheet folded Series number 59. flyer. 3M-3-36 National Price list, Jan. 15, 1936.	Box 5	
National Desks. c. 1941.	Box 5	

New England Woodworking Co., (N.Y., N.Y.)

T	Citle/Description	Instances
	Cover for Office Equipment Digest. Sept. 1944, with New England Woodworking Co, N.Y., N.Y. Drafting furniture ads on	Box 5
	the inside cover. 1993.011	

Northfield Company (Sheboygan, Wis.)

Title/Description	Instances
Blue Book of Living Rooms. Accompanied by letter of Northfield letterhead, to Ethel Henderson of Kalamazoo, Apr. 29, 1924. 2005.060.7a-b	Box 5
The Davenport with a Secret: the Northfield Co., makers of Good Furniture, Sheboygan, Wis.; Meyer-Rotier, Milwaukee. N.d. 2005.040.6	Box 5

Northwestern Furniture Co.(Milwaukee, Wis.)

Title/Description	Instances
Northwestern Desks. n.d. 1 sheet in gray paper folder.	Box 5

O.C.S. Olsen Company (Chicago, Il.)

38C. Jan. 25, 1939.

Title/Description	Instances
Woodcraft Desks: catalogue no. 34. n.d.	Box 5
Woodcraft Desks: catlogue no. 38. n.d. Accompanied by: A New Line of moderately pricedflyer, Revised Price list no.	Box 5

itle/Description	Instances
Let us Modernize your office / Office Equipment Co., Louisville, Ky. Folding Flyer. 1993.011	Box 5
Paasche Air Brush Company (Chicago, Il.)	
itle/Description	Instances
Paasche Industrial Superior Finishing Equipment. Bulletin H24. n.d.	Box 5
Parent Metal Products, Inc. (Philadelphia, Pa	ı.)
Title/Description	Instances
Parent Rigid Folding Table / Parent Metal Products, Inc., Philadelphia, Penna. Folding flyer/mailer. Addressed to Grand Rapids Desk Co., Grand Rapids, Michigan. 1993.011	Box 5
Victory Masonite Shelving. n.d. This item addressed to Stow Davis	Box 5
Peabody Seating Company (North Manchesto	er, In.)
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Public Seating: catalog no. 35. Grand Rapids: Bayne Co., [1935?] Accompanied by: Fine Folding Chairs. Flyer. Folding	Instances
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Flyer. How to Turn Your Porch into a Delightful Sun Room / Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co., c. 1941. Has a GR address on the back at 21 Ionia Ave. S.W.

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Flyer. Give you rooms the charm of color ... c. 1940. Pittsburgh Tinted Plate Glass. 1993.011 Note in pencil on front cover: Return to ... Stow Davis Furniture Co., Grand Rapids, Michigan. Recd. 10/11/1937.

Box 5

Polar Manufacturing Co. (Philadelphia, Pa.)

Title/Description	Instan	ıces

Practical Office Articles: 25th Anniversary, 1912-1937. Catalog no. 8. 3 copies. Two copies include the New Price List, Oct. 1, 1941.

Box 5

Remington Rand (Buffalo, N.Y.)

Guardsman File Cabinets (3 items, ca. 1942.)

Title/Description	Instances
1. The Guardsman. LBV 283.	Box 5
2And we can make delivery immediately. LBV 324	Box 5
3. Can you tell which of these files is wood? LBV 293. 7-42.	Box 5

General

Has memo glued to the front of the item from A.N. Seares. To Jack.

Remington Rand Office Machines

Title/Description	Instances
1. Remington Rand presents the only completely electrified fanfold machine. Great illustration of typewriter type devise on back cover. n.d. 1993.011	Box 5
2. Remington Rand Printing Calculator with automatic division proof multiplication. Model 95101-5. n.d. 1993.011	Box 5

[Remington Rand Office Furniture misc. flyers]

Title/Description	Instances
1. The Ambassador Suite : distinguished office equipment in crafted furniture steel. RR20 10M 9-30	Box 5
2. Office Furniture : Lyndon Suite. RR34. 5M-6-34	Box 5
3. Greymere Suite. FF 79 ca. 1930's?	Box 5
4. Marlan Office Furniture for General Office Use. FF 75 5-39	Box 5

5. Office Furniture B2000 Line Desks. FF 78. 9-39	Box 5
6. Crestwood Line. N.d.	Box 5
7. Office Furniture, Franklyn Chairs. RR36B. 5M-6-37	Box 5
8. Remington Rand Upholstery Leathers. Includes samples. n.d.	Box 5
Office Furniture in Steel. 2200 Line Steel Desks. RR-46A-10M-11-36.	Box 5
Remington Rand Office Furniture / Remington Rand Business Service, Buffalo, New York. Gray paper cover has "Complete Furnishings for every Office" and Logo.	Box 5

S. Karpen & Bros. (Chicago, Il.)

Title/Description	Instances
Better Homes: how to furnish them / by Sterling B. McDonald.	Box 5
Art Institute of Chicago. Publ by S. Karpen & Bros. Karpen	
Furniture, Chicago. 1923. Rogerson Press, Chicago.	

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This item has parts of some pages cut out of the publication.

Security Steel Equipment Corporation (Avenel, N.J.)

Title/Description	Instances
Presenting America's Smartest Desk Administor: a creation of security, c. 1939.	Box 5

Seng Co. (Chicago, Il.)	
Title/Description	Instances
1. Songstyle Beds / The Seng Company, Chicago.	Box 5
2. Confidential Manufacturers' Prices. Price List of Sengstyle Beds. 2-1-40	Box 5
3. Letter. The Seng Company, 1450 North Dayton Strret, Wicker Park Station, Chicago, Mar. 7, 1940. TO: Zandstra	Box 5

Sengbush Self-Closing Inkstand Co. (Milwaukee, Wis.) Title/Description Instances Sengbusch Desk Sets. Distributed by Bixby Office Supply Co., GR. Circular 19. 1993.011

Shepherd Chair Company (Chicago, Il.)

Uphg. Co., 114 Lexington Ave., GR.

Title/Description	Instances
Comfortaire Posture Chair, n.d.	Box 5
A Great new Posture Chair that isn't frozen [flyer]. Accompanied by: Letter. July 1, 1942.	Box 5
Simmons Co. (Chicago, Il.)	
Restful Bedrooms / the Simmons Co., Chicago. Charles Daniel Frey, Advertising, Chicago. N.d. Illustrations by F. H. or H.H. Davis? Accompanied by form letter from Simmons, n.d. 2005.040.4a-b	Box 5
Smokador Manufacturing Co. (Bloomfield, N.J.)	
[Folding flyer, n.d.]	Box 5
Servador no. 610 List Price \$10.00 sheet	Box 5
The Stanley Works (New Britain, CT)	
Title/Description	Instances
Stanley Furniture and Cabinet Hardware Catalog 937	Box 5
Stendig (New York, N.Y.)	
Title/Description	Instances
Stendig. Contract Furniture / Charles W. Stendig. Stendig Incorporated, N.Y Catalogue no. 64. C. 1964. AIA file no. 28- A with 1967 & 1969 price lists & 1970 index. 3-ring binder 00. [5237].1	Box 5.5
Stickley & Brandt Chair Co. (Binghamton, N	.Y.)
Title/Description	Instances
Modern Craft Styles / by Chas. Stickley, with a brief history of the Stickley & Brandt Chair Company / by Peter A. Copeland. Parchment Press, Turn of the Century Editions, 2008.	Box 5
Syracuse Ornamental Company	
Title/Description	Instances
Period Carvings: a cataloging containing one-half size reproductions Syracuse, N.Y.: Syracuse Ornamental, 1923. "Catalog K". 2007.	Box unknown
Thonet Industries	
Title/Description	Instances
Booklet 5912. n.d. Descriptive title taken from bottom of last blue page. Overview of Thonet designs, primarily chairs, including three illustrations of Thonet chairs by Warhold, Gill, and J. Suzuki. 00.[5191].1	Box 5

Title/Description	Instances
Uhl Steel Equipment for Office, Factory & School: Catalog no. 100-A. 5th ed. March 1930. Accompanied by: Price List no. 900. Jan. 20, 1941.	Box 5
Letter. Feb. 20, 1941. Acknowledgement mailer card.	Box 5
Tomlinson (High Point, North Carolina)	
Title/Description	Instances
The French Collection. Tomlinson of High Point, North Carolina. With a Chicago Merchandise Mart address. Folding mailer addressed to Stow-Davis Furniture Co., 70 Front Ave., S.W. 1993.011	Box 5
U.S. Blue Print Paper Co.(Chicago, II.)	
Title/Description	Instances
Dress UP your drafting Room. Hamilton Steelwood, Hamilton Manufacturing Co., Two Rivers, Wisconsin. Agent: U.S. Blue Print Paper Co., Chicago	Box 5
Upson Board. Upson Co. (Lockport, N.Y.)	
Title/Description	Instances
Rediprep: ready-to-us wallboard for better signs and displays. Created by Upson Research Laboratories. Upson Board. Upson Co., Lockport, N.Y. Local agent: Grand Rapids Lumber Co., Scribner Ave. & GR & I Ry. Folded flyer with color selections illustrated. 3178-10P-CM-40 1993.011	Box 5
Vogel-Peterson Co. (Chicago, Il.)	
Title/Description	Instances
Peterson Checkroom & Wardrobe Equipment. n.d. Flyer	Box 5
W & J. Sloane (N.Y., N.Y.)	
Title/Description	Instances
Executive Office Furniture [loose trade illustration sheets] with Price list, Sept. 2, 1941.	Box 5
W.H. Gunlocke Chair Company (Wayland, N	.Y.)
	Instances

Price Schedule applying to Portfolio of Designs by Count Alexis de Sakhnoffsky, 1940.	Box 5
Gunlocke Chairs: Revised Junior Catalog / W.H. Gunlocke Chair Co., c. 1941. 2 copies with Gunlocke Chairs: price list no. 45, Nov. 24, 1941.	Box 5
Leather Chairs for comfort. In your office or your home. Designed and made by the W.H. Gunlocke Chair Co., Wayland, N.Y. Gives a Lansing, Mich. Stationers as the closest agent. Folding flyer.	Box 5

Wallace Supplies Manufacturing Co. (Chicago, Il.)

Title/Description	Instances
Wallace, manufacturers of the finest modern tubular furniture :	Box 5
Bulletin no. 33 [1941] Date from stamp on cvoer RE price	

Weber-Knapp Company (Jamestown, NY)

increases.

Title/Description	Instances
Weber-Knapp Company Furniture Hardware catalog number six	Box 5
Weber-Knapp Company Furniture Hardware catalog no. 41	Box 5

Wells Office Furniture Co. (Chicago, Il.)

Title/Description	Instances
Tilt and Swivel Chairs: catalog no. 222. Dec. 1, 1942.	Box 5
Catalog no. 555, May 1, 1944. Accompanied by: Tubular Typewrite Stand flyer. Letter. Wells letterhead. July 15, 1944.	Box 5

West Defecting Company (Long Island, N.Y.)

Title/Description	Instances
The Scope of Sanitation. n.d. Form no. 25 1-39. Accompanied	Box 5
by business card for V.G. Fox of the Detroit Division.	

Wisconsin Chair Company (Port Washington, Wis.)

Title/Description	Instances
Office Chair Supplement for Catalog "The Wisconsin Chair	Box 5
Company", June 15, 1942.	

Wright & Company (Worcester, Mass.)

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Title/Description	Instances	
Tabulating Accessories: catalog no. 14, Jan. 1943.	Box 5	

Yawman and Erbe Mfg. Co. (Rochester, N.Y.)		
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Series III.	Publications	& Reference	Sources

3 White 3-ringed binder of misc. ephemera related to furniture:

Title/Description	Instances
1. Compilation of Arts & Crafts Furniture	Box 1
2. Compilation of Furniture including: Art Deco, Art Nouveau	Box 1
3. Compilation of Furniture Categorized by the following styles: Bentwood] P2003.027c	Box 1

Aktrin Furniture Research. Aktrin Furniture Information Center (High Point, N.C.)

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Title/Description	Instances
North American Furniture Standard / Sean Fegan. High Point,	Box 12
N.C. Aktrin 1997 00 [5231] 1	

Bradley's Furniture Cut-Outs / designed by Helen M. Fliedner. Springfield, Mass.: Milton Bradley Co., 1921. P2004.038.10

Title/Description	Instances
Sheet I	Box 2
Sheet II	Box 2
One cut sheet	Box 2

Furniture Production (periodical)

Title/Description	Instances
Blue Book Directory issue. v. 30, no. 190, Dec. 1967 00. [5232].1	Box 12

L'Oeil.

Title/Description	Instances
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Extrait. No. 96, Dec. 1962. Tanger / Knoll International. 00. [5233].1	Box 13
Old World Galleries, Ltd. Catalog and Guide. London, England: Old World Galleries, n.d. Cover title: Beautiful Antique Furniture 2007.012.5	Box 3
3M Company (St. Paul, Minn.)	
Title/Description	Instances
Furniture: finishing and refinishing. n.d. [ca. 1960S?] Folding flyer A-HFFRB(3120)H 2007.012.12	Box 3
Veneer Association (Chicago, II.)	
Title/Description	Instances
Educational Series Nos. 1-3 2007.012.7-9	Box 3
Periodicals & Periodical clippings	
Title/Description	Instances
House & Garden? How to Recognize Period Furniture: refresher course in House & Garden's Dictionary of Design: Eighteenth Century Colonial. pg. 80. Number I in A Series (2 sheets) 2007.012.013	Box 8
Cane Seats for Chairs / Ruth B. Comstock (Cornell Extension Bulletin 681. Rev. May 1950. Ithaca, N.Y.: New York State College of Home Economics, State Univ. of N.Y. At Cornell Univ., P2007.027.1	Box 12
Formby's new guide to proper furniture repair and care / by Homer A. Formby. Olive Branch, Miss. : Formby's Refinishing Products, Inc., c. 1975. 2007.016	Box 3

Series IV Photographs

Misc. Exhibit or Collection documentation photos. Most items from the Collection of F.P. Angle.

Title/Description	Instances
1. Hanging wall cupboard of Pine. P2005.025.1-6	Box 9
2. Pennsylvania Tulip Chest. P2005.025.1-6	Box 9
3. Pennsylvania Cabinet P2005.025.1-6	Box 9
4. Typical Pennsylvania Dutch Cupboard P2005.025.1-6	Box 9

5. Desk of Walnut. Pennsylvania about 1750-1770. P2005.025.1-6	Box 9
6. Unidentified chest with "Elizabeth Landisin 1776" carved on front. P2005.025.1-6	Box 9
Store window display of Lammert Furniture (St. Louis, Mo.), including the Tulip Chest. P2005.025.7	Box 9

Series V. Scrapbooks.

Scope and Contents

Included here are ephemeral materials documenting or picturing furniture, which are not for the most part Grand Rapids or Michigan furniture. The graphic clippings which may be collected in these scrapbooks may document historical furniture styles, for example, serving as unofficial references for ideas or study.

Title/Description	Instances
Two Generic Historical Furniture Styles Scrapbooks, with clippings from unidentified sources. Formerly R749Scr16 v.1-2 Furniture Room. 00.[5301].1-2	Box 14

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