Evans Manufacturing Company Records, 1903-1916 MSS 211 1 linear foot

Biographical Note

The Evans Manufacturing Company was founded in the St. Lawrence County town of Hammond, New York in 1903. The business primary dealt in farming implements like plows and disc harrows. Other items made included milk sleds and bob sleighs. The principals of the firm were W. D. and B. A. Evans. The Evans Manufacturing company did business in many areas of the country.

Scope and Content

Records in this collection include business correspondence, telegrams, invoices, orders, insurance papers and legal documents, as well as product catalogs, advertising proofs and testimonial letters from customers. Most of the records are filed by loose date ranges in acid-free folders, however the collection also includes one bound scrapbook containing documents similar to those in folders. It is worth noting that much of the correspondence from outside businesses to the Evans Company, whether typed or handwritten, appears on often elaborately printed letterheads that were popular in the early 20th century.

Provenance

Purchased in 2017 from Edward (Ted) Comstock

Box 1

Scrapbook of correspondence, order letters, price lists, catalogs, testimonial letters and other documents related to products sold by Evans Manufacturing Co., 1909-1916

Folder of legal documents, proposals, correspondence, insurance papers and collection notices, 1904-1909

Box 2

Folder 1	Railroad freight documents, 1903
Folder 2	Telegraph messages, 1904-1909
Folder 3	Business correspondence to Evans Manufacturing Company, 1903-04
Folder 4	Business correspondence to/from Evans Manufacturing Company, 1905
Folder 5	Business correspondence/receipts to Evans Manufacturing Company, 1905
Folder 6	Business Correspondence, 1906-1914