



Archival Collection Finding Aid

TITLE:	Delphi Delco Records
ACCESSION NUMBER:	2008.73
CREATOR:	Delphi Corporation
INCLUSIVE DATES:	1911-1995 (bulk 1912-1945)
QUANTITY:	7.0 cubic ft. (8 boxes)
LANGUAGE:	English and Spanish
ABSTRACT:	<p>Delco, or Dayton Engineering Laboratories, Co., was founded in 1909 by Edwards Deeds and Charles Kettering in Dayton, Ohio. Their first major project was ignition sets for Cadillac, which were installed on that company's 1912 production models. Delco also manufactured other automobile parts, and even De Havilland bombers and Liberty aircraft engines during World War I. In 1918, General Motors acquired Delco and other parts companies, later merging Delco with its AC spark plug division to form ACDelco.</p> <p>The Delphi Delco Records contain a small selection of business records related to Delco, General Motors, the North East Electric Company, and the Dayton Wright Airplane Co. The collection also includes photographic prints and albums, scrapbooks, newspaper clippings, annual reports, handbooks, and press releases. These materials depict factory operations, employees and events, wartime production, and equipment. Of note are copies of "The Book of Delco" and a 1919 copy of Delco's "Aviation Ignition."</p>
ACCESS RESTRICTIONS:	The collection is open for research.
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