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OVERVIEW

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 386

CREATOR: Strauss, Frederick, 1867-

TITLE: Frederick Strauss papers

INCLUSIVE DATES: 1902-1949

QUANTITY: 1 folder

LANGUAGE: The materials are in English

ABSTRACT: Frederick Strauss worked as a machinist at several Detroit machine shops including Ford Motor Company. His papers include correspondence, handwritten notes and a sketch of a carburetor.

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HISTORICAL NOTE

Born in Detroit, Michigan, Strauss was first employed as a machinist with the James Flower Brothers Brass and Iron Works in 1878. He worked in several Detroit machine shops, including the Detroit Automobile Company in 1899 and Ford & Malcomson, Ltd (later Ford Motor Company) in 1902, before joining the American Radiator Company in 1906. Strauss retired in 1930.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The papers include various documents including a letter describing Strauss' meeting and working with Henry Ford at the James Flower Brothers Brass and Iron Works; correspondence with Clara Ford regarding early associations with Henry Ford in Detroit; 1902 stock assignment from the Ford & Malcomson Ltd.; sketch labeled "H. Ford's 1st carburetor."

SUBJECT TERMS

Names, Personal and Corporate

Strauss, Frederick, 1867-

Ford, Henry, 1863-1947

Ford, Clara Bryant, 1866-1950

Detroit Automobile Company

Subjects

Automobile industry and trade--Michigan

Machinists--Michigan

CONTAINER LIST

Box no.	Description
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Folder 1

Letter from Strauss to Mr. Campsall about Strauss and Ford's time at Flower's Brothers Brass and Iron Works, July 17, 1935 (photocopy)
Biographical fragment prepared by F. Strauss (photocopy)
Handwritten record of Strauss' work history (photocopy)
Handwritten agreement whereby Henry Ford transfers two thousand dollars of stock to Fredrick Strauss, 1902 (photocopy)
Letter from Clara J. Ford to Fred Strauss asking if he knows the date when the first car was driven on their street, January 13, 1949 (photocopy)
Sketch of Henry Ford's first carburetor (photocopy)
Strauss-Waddell correspondence about early developments of Ford Motor Company, 1948-1949 (Photostats)
American Express Company report of freight listing machinery parts (Photostat)