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OVERVIEW

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 422

CREATOR: Ford Motor Company. Industrial Relations.

TITLE: Reports of management meetings

INCLUSIVE DATES: 1947-1954

QUANTITY: 1.2 cubic ft.

LANGUAGE: The materials are in English

ABSTRACT: Ford Motor Company implemented monthly management meetings in 1947 to establish two-way communication between all parts of the management team. This collection contains the monthly reports from those meetings from 1947 to 1954.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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HISTORICAL NOTE

Monthly management meetings were created by Henry Ford II and Ernest R. Breech in 1947. They were intended to establish two-way communication between all parts of the Ford Motor Company management team. The first meeting was held at the Rotunda Theater, Dearborn, Michigan, on March 25, 1947.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection contains monthly reports for management meetings from 1947 to 1954. There are two copies of each report as well as a bound volume containing copies of all reports from 1947 to 1950.

ARRANGEMENT

Collection is organized chronologically

SUBJECT TERMS

Names, Personal and Corporate

Ford, Henry, 1917-1987

Breech, Ernest R., 1897-1978

Subjects

Ford Motor Company. Personnel management.

Ford Motor Company. Employees.

Ford Motor Company. Management.

Automobile industry and trade

Ford automobile

Genre and Form

Reports

CONTAINER LIST

Box no.	Description
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Box 1

1947

- "Management Meeting Program," March
- "Organizational Problems and Plans," May
- "Finance Organization," August
- "New Company-Union Agreement," September
- "Purchasing Organization," October
- "What Foremen and Other Salaried Personnel Think of Management", December

1948

- "Organization and Objectives of Lincoln-Mercury," January
- "Functions, Policies and Organization of Engineering," February
- "The Manufacturing Story," March
- "Organization and Functions of Sales and Advertising," May
- "For Your Information," June
- "Industrial Relations Round Table," October
- "Our Job is Your Job," November
- "Report from Europe," December

1949

- "Ford International," January
- "Parts and Accessories," March
- "General Counsel's Office," April
- "Parts and Equipment," May
- "Steel Operations," June
- "Ford Division," September
- "General Manufacturing Division," October
- "Engineering," December

Box 2

1950

- "Lincoln-Mercury," January
- "Public Relations," March
- "Our Competitive Position," April
- "6,000 Partners," May
- "Industrial Relations Responsibilities of a Supervisor," September
- "Employee Opinion Survey," December

1951

- "Where Do We Go From Here?" February
- "Productivity," March
- "Coaching the Ford Team," May
- "The Inner Man Steps Out," September
- "Quality Means Security," October
- "What Happened?" November

1952

- "1951 Progress Report," January
- "Tomorrow Meets Today," March
- "The Decentralization Story," May
- "Ticket to Freedom," September
- "Big and Basic," October

1953

- "Anniversary," February
- "Product Planning," May
- "Techniques for Tomorrow," September

1954

- "1953 Progress Report," January
- "Food, Fiber and Ford," October
- "Investment in Human Progress," May

Box 3

"Report of Management Meeting, 1947-1950" (bound volume)