



Finding Aid for

SOYBEAN PLANT RECORDS, 1939-1946

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OVERVIEW

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002.1.238

CREATOR: Ford Motor Company. Soybean Plant

TITLE: Soybean Plant records

INCLUSIVE DATES: 1939-1946

QUANTITY: 8 cubic ft.

LANGUAGE: The materials are in English.

ABSTRACT: Records documenting daily production, labor relations, transit notes, laboratory reports and blueprints of processing machinery.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

- ACCESS RESTRICTIONS:** The records are open for research.
- COPYRIGHT:** Copyright has been transferred to The Henry Ford by the donor. Copyright for some items in the collection may still be held by their respective creator(s).
- ACQUISITION:** Ford Motor Company donation, 2002.
- RELATED MATERIAL:** Related material held by The Henry Ford:
- Soybean Plant photographs. General Photographs series.
Accession 833.
- PREFERRED CITATION:** Item, folder, box, accession 2002.1.238, Soybean Plant records, Benson Ford Research Center, The Henry Ford
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HISTORICAL NOTE

Henry Ford grew up on a farm in Dearborn, Michigan and maintained an interest in relating innovation to farming during his entire life. In the late 1920s, Ford chose soybeans as the ideal crop for combined farm and industrial use. He developed a number of ways to use soybeans industrially and was also committed to creating and promoting soyfoods. Ford generously supported experimental work at a soybean laboratory in Greenfield Village, Edison Institute (now The Henry Ford), constructed a building at the Ford Motor Company Rouge River Plant for commercial production, grew soybeans on Ford Farms, and maintained soybean mills in Milan and Saline, Michigan where farmers could have their soybeans processed.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The records are comprised of daily production reports, labor relations reports, laboratory reports, transit records and blueprints of the processing machinery.

SUBJECT TERMS

Names, Personal and Corporate
Ford Motor Company. Soybean Plant.

Subjects
Soybean
Soybean products
Soyfoods
Chemurgy

Genre and Form
Blueprints (reprographic copies)

BOX AND FOLDER LISTING

Box no. Description

Box 1

DAILY PRODUCTION REPORTS

1939-1940 (7 folders)

Box 2

1941 (8 folders)

Box 3

1942 (12 folders)

Box 4

1943 (13 folders)

Box 5

1944 (14 folders)

Box 6

1945 (14 folders)

1946 January

Daily Card Reports, 1944-1946

Box 7

**LABOR RELATIONS REPORT (PRODUCTION INTERRUPTION), APRIL 20,
1943 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 1945**

LABORATORY REPORTS

Chemists Certificates, 1944-1946

Chemists Notebooks, 1935, 1939-1945 (7 folders)

Box 8

BLUEPRINTS, 1937 (PROCESSING MACHINERY)

TRANSIT RECORDS, 1944-1945