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Finding Aid for the

Furniture Manufacturers Association,
Grand Rapids Area Records

Collection # 084

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Abstract

The Furniture Manufacturers Association, Grand Rapids Area, Records, contains a few documents of the predecessor associations that came together in 1911 to form the FMA. These include the Grand Rapids Furniture Manufactures' Association, 1881-1902; the Grand Rapids Furniture Association, 1908-1911; the Grand Rapids Furniture Fraternity, 1908; and the Guild, 1908-1911. But, the collection primarily documents with work of the FMA, including minutes, correspondence and other files of the organization, publications, training materials, photographs, scrapbooks, and some moving images. The bulk of the material dates from after World War I. During the period 1920-1950 the Association took many steps to establish and protect the "Grand Rapids Made" trademark, and the collection contains files of many lawsuits undertaken. Items from the period 1940-1980 document the Association's efforts to train workers, gauge market trends, and comply with the ever-increasing federal and state regulations. As such, these materials give insight into wages, prices, productions and overall economic conditions. The collection also contains material on various efforts to market furniture, primarily through the Grand Rapids Furniture Markets, generally held twice each year until 1964. The photographs document the furniture industry, including furniture trade images, images of various factories both interior and exterior, and of trade events. The Grand Rapids Airplane Company of World War I, which was composed of most of the area furniture manufacturers, is also depicted. That Company made the Handley-Page bombers, none of which ever flew in battle due to the late entry of the United States into the War. A few furniture trade catalogs are found here. See also the separate GRPL Furniture Trade Catalog Collection. 16mm film content **Industry on Parade**, **Slight Furniture**, and select others, are available in Coll. 175 on videotape. Some separate collections on specific furniture companies are available; ask staff for assistance in locating these.

Grand Rapids Area Furniture Manufacturers Association Records

Collection #: 084

Accession #: 1988.027, 1988.031

Donor: Furniture Manufacturers Association, Hollis Baker

Span dates: 1881-1987

Processor: Richard H. Harms, October 1988

Additional processing & revisions, R. Mayne, and volunteers & interns, March 1999-

Size: 37 cu. ft. ; xx linear ft.

For Additional Research

- The City Built on Wood : a history of the furniture industry in Grand Rapids, Michigan, 1850-1950 / by Frank Edward Ransom. 1955.

Related Collections

- Coll. 232. GRPL Furniture Trade Catalog Collection
Coll. 233. GRPL Furniture Industry Collection.
- Coll. 017 Widdicomb and John Widdicomb Companies Records.
Coll. 048 Robert W. Irwin Company Records.
Coll. 206 Baker Furniture Company Collection
- Coll. 204 Grand Rapids Furniture Designers Association Records
Coll. 225 Sobota Collection. In Process
Coll. 276 GRPL Furniture Design, Designers & Instructors Collection

Coll. 335 Furniture Design Archival Collection, National Literature

The focus of the GRPL Archives is on local history. However, this national collection of pamphlet and ephemeral material has been created, as a complement to the book sources in the Furniture Design Book Collection, which also has a national focus. This is a new collection with little content to date.

Note: Some of the images in this collection are taken by area photo studios which have their own archival collections. See:

- Coll. 125 Robinson Studio Collection
Coll. 230 Rooks Photographs Collection

Original Processing Note:

All material was left grouped in series as it was delivered to the Library. Some reorganization of items within series was needed for the sake of consistency. The photographs were scattered throughout the accession, generally in no discernible order, so that the current order was totally established during processing with the following exception. The FMA Centennial photographs remain in the order established by the FMA. The scrapbook and photograph indexes were created during processing.

Additional Processing Needs

Box 17 includes negatives mixed with the prints. The negatives need to be placed in a separate box, and document to type. Many are color. The prints need additional processing.

Box Summary

Box No.	Description of Contents	Box Description
1	predecessor companies	slim legal
2	FMA Warehouse Company	Blue w handles Standard
Box change 11/8/2007		
3	FMA Warehouse Company	Standard legal
3.3	Furniture Market Association	Standard
Box change 11/8/2007. Formerly part of box two. Folders still have old numbers, 7-15		
3.4	Furniture Market Association	Standard
Box change 11/8/2007. Formerly part of box two. Folders still have old numbers, 16-29		
4	Ancillary companies. 4-1 to 4-11 = Furniture News Bureau 4-12 / 13 = Furniture Styles Instituted 4-14 / 15 = Grand Rapids Designers, Inc. 4-16 to 4-20 – Grand Rapids Furniture Exposition Assoc. 4-25 = Salesmans' Club	Cubic
5	FMA documents / minutes	cubic
6	minutes/bulletins	cu.
7	bulletins	cu.
8	correspondence/subject files	cu.
9	subject files/traffic files	cu.
10	vocational education	cu.
11	Furniture Tech. Program	cu.
12	training manuals	cu.
13	wages/legal files	cu.
14	legal files	cu.
15	legal files	cu.
16	FTC trade practice rulings	cu.
17	FMA centennial Photographs & Color Negatives	Standard
18	photos	Standard
19	photos	Standard
20	photos	standard
21	photos	standard
22	photos	Standard

Box Summary

<u>Box No.</u>	<u>Description of Contents</u>	<u>Box Description</u>
23	ancillary cos. Oversize photos	gray lid/w 3.5x20x16
[Needs more processing. Many items need large folders and a smaller box. Some items need a larger box. Need titles of serials listed in the finding aid. 2/6/2001.]		
24	Oversize photos & Misc. publ.	Folio clam
Box change 11/9/2007		
25	misc/slides	full lid 3x10x13
25.5	Audio tapes	4x6 slim
26	expo order books	Standard
27	expo order books	Standard
28	untitled	Standard
29	16mm films	gray lid/w 3.5x16x20
30	publications	slim
31	Furniture Mkt. Publications	gray lid/w 3.5x11.5x17.5
32	Misc. publications	Standard
Changed from folio sized lidded to Standard, 11/8/2007. Growth space in box.		
33	“Grand Rapids”	slim
34	general publications	small print 3 x 10 x 13???
35	lumber industry publications same	slim
36	machinery catalogues	slim
37	“Greater GR Visitor”	small print
38	untitled	gray full lid 3x25x21
39	scrapbook	gray full lid 3x15x19
40	scrapbook	gray full lid 3x25x21
41	scrapbooks	gray lid 4x12.5x15
42	scrapbooks	same
43	scrapbooks	gray full lid 3x15x19
44	scrapbook	gray lid 1.5x21x17
45	scrapbook	same
46	scrapbook	same
47	untitled	gray full lid 3x25x21
48	untitled	gray full lid 3x25x21
49	untitled	same
50	untitled	cubic
51	scrapbooks	gray full lid 3x25x21
52	FMA scrapbook	gray lid 1.5x23x29
53	FMA scrapbook	same
54	FMA scrapbook	same

History

The Furniture Manufacturers Association (FMA) traces its history back to 1881. A group, with this name, was organized in Grand Rapids to:

- obtain equitable freight rates from the railroads
- protect members from disreputable furniture dealers
- obtain reasonable insurance rates
- protect the Grand Rapids furniture label
- and set uniform wage rates.

This association was never very active during the early years and few records were kept. Following the massive labor strikes of 1911, however, the association reorganized and retained a staff to pursue the Group's intern. The members formed the FMA Warehouse Company in 1920 to negotiate, as a block, for equitable rates with the various railroads. In addition, this group loaded rail cars for the members. As time went on the warehouse Co., expanded into providing supplies for the manufacturers, with profits used to offset cost generated by the manufacturers Association. The directories of the two organizations were tightly inter-locked.

During this same period, the FMA was active in protecting the "Grand Rapids Made" trademark. A series of successful suits were prosecuted against retailers who used "Grand Rapids" in either their names or their advertising without having any Grand Rapids made furniture in their stocks. Also during this period the FMA successfully defended itself against federal anti-trust charges.

Following World War II the FMA also began to concentrate on the problem of the dwindling number of skilled furniture makers. The association began efforts to both recruit and train people for work as furniture makers. During the 1950s these efforts expanded to include providing continuing education for people already employed in the industry. Another effort during this period was collection, assimilation and analysis of market information, to assist members in establishing production goals. These data included economic trends, raw material prices and availability, and wage costs.

Another dimension of the FMA was its market function in promoting Grand Rapids made furniture. This included the predominantly semi-annual markets in Grand Rapids, as well as a whole series of promotional literature and press releases on the city, furniture, furniture industry and personalities involved. During the late 1950s, two films were made documenting the industry one for "Industries on Parade" and the other for the "Arlene Francis Home Show," on television.

In 1981 the FMA celebrated its centennial with an exhibit of furniture similar to the furniture market exhibits that ended in the early 1960s. The association continues to be an advocate for the industry today, but has expanded its membership to include furniture makers and related industries from West Michigan rather than just Grand Rapids.

Scope and Content

The collection provides insight into trademark protection litigation of the 1920s, 30s and 40s; as well as federal anti trust actions of the 1920s. In addition, the collection documents various economic conditions in the industry such as wage costs, production costs, market trends and shipping costs. Also included are records detailing efforts to recruit, train and keep furniture workers. The photographs show views of factory exteriors and interiors, as well as products of various firms though the views of products generally date to the 1960s and later.

Quick List of the Series in the Collection

- Series I. Predecessor Companies
- Series II. Ancillary Companies
- Series III. Corporate Documents
- Series IV. Minutes
- Series V. Bulletins
- Series VI. Correspondence
- Series VII. Subject Files
- Series VIII. Traffic Files
- Series IX. Vocational Education
- Series X. Furniture Technology Program
- Series XI. Job Evaluation
- Series XII. On-The-Job Training
- Series XIII. Training Manuals
- Series XIV. Recruitment
- Series XV. Wages
- Series XVI. Legal Files
- Series XVII. FTC Trade Practice Rulings
- Series XVIII. Booklets
- Series XIX. Furniture Museum and Education Center
- Series XX. Upholstered Furniture Action Council
- Series XXI. FMA Centennial
- Series XXII. Photographs
- Series XXIII. Scrapbooks
- Series XXIV. Publications
- Series XXV. Miscellaneous

Series Descriptions

Series I. Predecessor Companies, 1881-1911, 5 folders.

Brief documentation of five organizations the preceded reorganization of the FMA in 1911. Furniture Manufacturer's Association of Grand Rapids, [1911].

Summary of Predecessor Companies, chronologically

Grand Rapids Furniture Manufactures' Association, 1881-1902.

Grand Rapids Furniture Fraternity, 1908.

Grand Rapids Furniture Association, 1908-1911.

The Guild, 1908-1911

Furniture Manufacturer's Association of Grand Rapids, [1911].

Series II. Ancillary Companies, 1894-1976, n.d. 5 cu.ft.

Records of organizations (see list above) that existed at the same time as the FMA and often served similar purposes. Several of these companies were organized by the FMA. The records in this series details efforts to deal with rate inequities, furniture marketing through semi-annual exhibition in Grand Rapids, and promotion of the industry with various forms of publicity. Arranged alphabetically by company name.

Summary of Ancillary Companies

Furniture Manufacturers Association Warehouse Co.

Furniture Market Association

Furniture News Bureau

Furniture Styles Institute

Grand Rapids Designs, Inc.

Grand Rapids Furniture Exposition Association

Salesmen's Club

Series III. Corporate Documents, 1914-1973, two folders.

Bylaws and articles of incorporation. Chronological arrangement.

Series IV. Minutes, 1912-1987, 1 cu.ft.

Minutes of annuals meetings and directors meetings document official policy and direction of the association. Chronological arrangement.

Series V. Bulletins, 1953-1985, 2 cu.ft.

Bulletins produced by the FMA and distributed to its members detailing economic conditions such a market trends, raw material availability and costs, wage rates, educational programs and upcoming events. Organized chronologically.

Series VI. Correspondence, 1951-1985, n.d., 5 folders.

Deals with such topics as the furniture museum, continuing education, exports and imports, and correspondence with Gerald R. Ford. Alphabetical organization.

Series VII. Subject File, 1911-1985, 1 cu.ft.

Files on various topics with which the FMA was concerned. Of note are the annual narrative reports from the World War II years; the Finance Committee reports; membership files, marketing activities and safety concerns of the 1960s and 70s. Arranged alphabetically.

Series VIII. Traffic File, 1967-1982, 1/3 cu.ft.

Documents efforts to obtain equitable freight rates and comply with federal freighting requirements. Alphabetical organization.

Series IX. Vocational Education, 1941-1985, 2 cu.ft.

Documents various vocational education workshops sponsored by the FMA. Topics deal with all aspects of the industry from tool grinding through operation of various machinery to repair of damaged furniture. Organized alphabetically by session topic.

Series X. Furniture Technology Program, 1954-1985, 11 folders.

This material evidences several efforts by the FMA to improve the abilities of workers within the industry. These workers included both white-collar and blue collar employees. Arranged alphabetically.

Series XI. Job Evaluation, 1944-1952, n.d. 1/2 cu.ft.

Records of a specialized training program by the FMA to teach managerial skills to people at the foreman level and above. Alphabetically arranged.

Series XII. On-the-Job Training, 1960-67, 8 folders.

Records of a federally funded program of the mid-1960s to improve the skills of specifically selected individuals. Alphabetical organization.

Series XIII. Training Manuals, 1948-76, 1 cu.ft.

Copies of several training manuals created by the FMA, some in both draft and final formats. Several of these manuals were derived from similar manuals produced by the John Widdicomb Company, which are also included. Organized alphabetically.

Series XIV. Recruitment, 1968-69, 6 folders.

Papers on an unsuccessful effort to recruit skilled craftsman from Europe. Organized chronologically.

Series XV. Wages, 1971-82, 1 cu.ft.

Raw data and reports of wage surveys of FMA members by job description, also provided numbers of people employed in each category. Chronological organization.

Series XVI. Legal Files, 1915-77, 1.5 cu.ft.

Correspondence, subpoenas, clipping, transcripts and other legal documents mainly from

suits brought by the FMA or on behalf of the FMA to protect the "Grand Rapids Made" trademark. Also included are the FMA files from the 1920s federal anti-trust suits against various furniture manufacturers which unsuccessfully charged price fixing in the industry. Organized alphabetically by suit name.

Series XVII. FTC Trade Practice Rulings, 1930-71, 6 folders.

Various Federal Trade Commission rulings on wood labeling, rayon and other topics pertaining to the furniture industry. Original Order.

Series XVIII. Booklets, 1949-52, n.d., 1/3 cu.ft.

Booklets produced by the FMA on Grand Rapids, Grand Rapids Furniture and related topics; as well as history of a few Grand Rapids manufacturers. Alphabetical by title and also into subseries by topic.

Series XIX. Furniture Museum and Education Center, 1983-5, 11 folders.

The records of a proposal to reuse a Forslund Furniture Building as a FMA museum. This project used funds raised from outside the association and was ultimately determined not to be feasible. Organized alphabetically.

Series XX. Upholstered Furniture Action Council, 1973-82, 11 folders.

Records of this lobbying group on behalf of various manufacturers. Details legislative developments, hearings and policy statements from the Council. Alphabetical arrangement.

Series XXI. FMA Centennial, 1981, 1/3 cu.ft.

Papers, photographs and pictorials from the celebrations includes a furniture display held at the Grand Rapids Public Museum and various pieces of furniture featured in the display. Alphabetical arrangement.

Series XXII. Photographs, 1911-82, n.d., 2 cu.ft.

Photos generated by the FMA and its associated companies. Images depicts factories (exterior and interior) furniture and people. The Grand Rapids Airplane series is particularly noteworthy for its collection of furniture factory exteriors and interiors. Arranged alphabetically by subject heading.

Series XXIII. Scrapbooks, 1905-85, 10 cu.ft.

Scrapbooks collected by the association. Volume 1 contains biographical data on several early furniture makers. Volume 21 deals with the Irwin strike of 1937. Volumes 27 and 28 deal exclusively with the Centennial Furniture Exhibition in 1928. Organized chronologically.

Series XXIV. Publications, 1965-83, 1 cu.ft.

Various publications collected by the FMA on the following subjects: General topics, lumber industry, machinery and issues of the "Greater Grand Rapids Visitor" that contained FMA

advertising. Alpha/chronological arrangement.

Series XXV. Miscellaneous, 1974-76, n.d.

Cassette tapes and furniture catalogs collected by the FMA. Alphabetically organized.

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1	2	Grand Rapids Furniture Association, 1908-1911.
1	3	Grand Rapids Furniture Fraternity, 1908.
1	4	Grand Rapids Furniture Manufactures' Association, 1881-1902.
1	5	The Guild, 1908-1911.

Series II. Ancillary Companies, 1894-1976, n.d.

Summary of Ancillary Companies

Furniture Manufacturers Association Warehouse Co.	= 2-7 to 2-30 + 3
Furniture Market Association	= 3.3 + 3.4
Furniture News Bureau	= 4-1 to 4-11
Furniture Styles Institute	= 4-12 / 13
Grand Rapids Designs, Inc.	= 4-14 / 15
Grand Rapids Furniture Exposition Association	= 4-16 to 4-20
Salesmen's Club	= 4-25

2 1 Furniture Manufacturers Association. Carloading Dept., n.d.
Brief history, n.d.

Furniture Manufacturers Association Warehouse Company, 1894-1976.

23 1 Stock Books, 1946-1961. Oversized
2 2 Bylaws, 1927. [Small ledger-typed volume, foldered]

Minutes

2 x Minutes, 1920-1948. [Unfoldered Thick black volume]
2 3 Minutes, 1948-1975.
2 4 Financial Reports, 1971, 1975-1976.
2 5 Balance Sheets, 1954-1967.
2 6 Balance Sheets, 1968-1974. (on folder, check contents for 1975)

3 1 Subscriptions, 1920.
3 2 FMA Warehouse Co. Corporate Papers, 1927-1957.

Property

3 3 Blake, 1919-1921.
3 4 Converse & Chick, 1915, 1919, 1921.
3 5 Himes Coal Co., 1915, 1917.
3 6 Survey, 1954.
3 7 Taxes, 1894-1923.
3 8 Statements, 1921-1925.
3 9 Insurance Appraisal, 1958.
Tax Returns
3 10 City, 1953-1974.
3 11 States, 1958-1963, 1966.
3 12 U.S., 1958-61, 1964.
3 13 Mortgage, 1920.

Series II. Ancillary Companies, 1894-1976, n.d.

Furniture Market Association, 1918-1973.

3.3	7	Corporate Documents, 1931-1973.
3.3	8	Minutes, 1926
3.3	9	Minutes, 1927-1930
3.3	10	Minutes, 1931-1934.
3.3	11	Minutes, 1935-1938.
3.3	12	Minutes, 1939-1942.
3.3	13	Minutes, 1943-1948.
3.3	14	Minutes, 1949-1957.
3.3	15	Minutes, 1957-1973.
3.4	16	Minutes-Executive Board, 1952-1964.
3.4	17	Minutes-Membership Committee, 1949-1961.
3.4	18	Financial Reports, 1925-1935, 1941
3.4	19	Financial Reports, 1957-1964.
3.4	20	Budgets, 1954-1965.
3.4	21	Committees, 1956-1963.
3.4	22	Directors, 1918-1971.
3.4	23	Dues, 1952-1965.
3.4	24	Market Attendance, 1878-1957.
23	3	Market Buyers Lists, 1926, 1932-1933, 1943, 1956-1964. Oversized.
3.4	25	Market Correspondence, 1960
3.4	26	Market Correspondence, 1961
3.4	27	Market Correspondence, 1962.

Series II. Ancillary Companies, 1894-1976, n.d.

Furniture Market Association, 1918-1973.

Furniture Market Association Publications.

Note: Publications with the same or similar title are also located in other area of this collection. (Processing need)

- 3.4 28 "Newsletter," 1957.
- Ms. 3/99 "Grand Rapids Preview," 1959-1964, n.d.
[No box/folder number specified for this line 3/99. Items not found in box 2. Location of actual items not known.
- New items, that is, previously cataloged copies of this title, added to this collection are housed in new box 50, 3/99 rm. See also 084-4-24
- 50 x "Grand Rapids Preview"
1958 June (2)
1959 Jan. (2)
1960, Jan.(1)
June(1), 1961 Jan.(1), June (2)
1962. June 14-23rd. P2005.040.10 Added 10/8/2005
1964 June.
"Report of the Grand Rapids Furniture Forum" 1945-1948 [Removed from Mich. Rm. Cataloged collection 3/99]
- 23 2 "Market Daily," 1957.
- 31 x "Grand Rapids Furniture," 1931.
"Market Ambassador," 1934-1937.
"Manufacturers Market Announcement," 1938-1939.
"GR Marketeer," 1939-4191.
"Grand Rapids Market Review," 1955-1956.
"Market Letter," 1954.
- 33 x "Grand Rapids," 1959-1964.
June, 1958
Jan., June 1959
Jan., June 1960
Jan., June 1961
Jan., June 1962
Jan., June 1963
Jan., June 1964
- 3.4 29 Miscellaneous pamphlets, 1927, n.d.
Series II. Ancillary Companies, 1894-1976, n.d.

		Furniture News Bureau, 1946-1973.
4	1	Corporate Records, 1955-1973.
4	2	Correspondence, 1946-1965.
4	3	Minutes, 1955-1973.
4	4	News Releases, 1958-1964.
4	5	News Releases, 1958-1964.
4	6	News Releases, 1958-1964.
4	7	TV PR, Jan.-July 1955 NBC Home Show with Arlene Francis (Hugh Downs), Jan. 24, 1955 <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Correspondence RE show● “GR Furniture Workers Will Become 'Actors’”. Grand Rapids Press, Jan. 22, 1955, pg. 3. Explains the filming by NBC within Grand Rapids, and the airing live from Chicago of Paul MacAlister● Script for Francis / MacAlister segment, with MacAlister narrating the pre-filmed footage.● Correspondence on McAllister segment film loan from NBC. This may be what we now know as “Industry on Parade.”, but see 29 below.
29	x	16mm film - NBC, 1955 "Industry on Parade"
4	8	Correspondence, 1959.
4	9	Publicity, 1959.
4	10	Production Correspondence, 1959.
4	11	Scripts. “Industry on Parade” 1959. Removed duplicated copies of 4 typed items, including a script to Coll. 175-A1, 11/8/2007 See Coll. 175 for videotape version of this segment.

**Series II. Ancillary Companies, 1894-1976, n.d.
Furniture News Bureau, 1946-1973.**

29 x

FNB Moving Images

16mm film, "Industry on Parade," 1959.

16mm film, "Sligh Furniture," n.d.

16mm film, "Furniture #1," 1960.

Note: 4 16mm films found in Box 29 8/1999. These are identified as:

- 16mm film, "Industry on Parade. Furniture city, USA / Arthur Lodge Productions, Inc., N.Y. n.d." --formal label
- 16mm film, "Sligh Furniture," Charles R. Sligh, Jr. Produced by C.C. Wortman, Inc., ... Chicago, n.d. Print no. 3"—Formal label, could not get can open.
- 16mm film, "Furniture #1, Unit 8. 1960. Film Portion."—handwritten label
- 16mm film, "1956 Home Show"—pencil scratched on reel. Note that this item was not previously included in this finding aid.

Note that two "Industry on Parade" titles were previously included in this finding aid, but apparently only one is included, at this time. Which one is not known. For access to videos of all or part of the images above, ask GRHSCC staff for assistances in retrieving videotapes from Coll. 175, the GRPL Moving Images Collection.

Furniture Styles Institute, 1923-1946.

4 12 Corporate documents, 1923-1931.

4 13 Corporate documents, 1931-1946

Grand Rapids Designs, 1940-1973.

4 14 Corporate documents, 1940-1973.

4 15 Minutes, 1940-1941, 1955-1973.

23 vol. 1 Furniture Photobook, n.d.(Nos. 4600-4622)
oversized

**Series II. Ancillary Companies, 1894-1976, n.d.
Grand Rapids Furniture Exposition, 1924-1958.**

4	16	Financial reports, 1931-1947
4	17	Financial reports, 1948-1956.
4	18	Market Exhibitors Directories, 1932-1942.
4	19	Market Buyers Directories, 1924, 1927, 1931-1942, 1944-1948
4	20	Market Buyers Directories, 1949-1960.
4	21	Market Membership, 1954-1960.
50	x	Grand Rapids Area Furniture Manufacturers Association. [1988] Membership Directory [Misc. item from unidentified source, added 3/99]
23	4	Mailing Lists, 1928, 1939, n.d.
		Publications
4	22	"Blue Book," 1931, 1936, 1938.
4	23	"Market Letter," 1940, 1953, 1955.
4	24	"Market Preview," 1955-1957. ● June 1955 ● Jan. 1956 ● June 1956 Added dup. June 1955, removed from Mich. Rm. Cataloged col. 3/10/99. See later copies of this title in new Box 50] ● Oct. 1956 ● Jan. 1957
4	24	"Furniture Sketchbook" Oct.-Nov. 1955 June 1957

**Series II. Ancillary Companies, 1894-1976, n.d.
Grand Rapids Furniture Exposition, 1924-1958.**

- Exposition Order Books, 1928-1958.**
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| 26 | | 1928-Jan 1940. |
| | 1 | Jan. 1928, Jan. 1930, Jan. 1931 |
| | 2 | June 1932 to Jan. 1933. July 1932 ms. Initial pages. |
| | 3 | June 1933-Jan. 1935 |
| | 4 | July 1935-Jan. 1937 |
| | 5 | June 1937-Jan. 1939 |
| | 6 | June 1939-Jan. 1940 |
| 27 | | June 1940-1951. |
| | 1 | June 1940-Jan. 1942 |
| | 2 | June 1942, Jan. 1944-Jan. 1945 |
| | 3 | Jan. 1946-July 1947 |
| | 4 | Jan. 1948-July 1949 |
| | 5 | Jan. 1950-June 1951 |
| 28 | | 1952-1958. |
| | 1 | Jan. 1952-June 1953 |
| | 2 | Jan. 1954-June 1955 |
| | 3 | Oct. 1955-oct. 1956 |
| | 4 | Jan. 1957-Jan. 1958 |
| 23 | 5 | Index to Order Books Advertisers, 1926-29, 1940-4. |

**Series II. Ancillary Companies, 1894-1976, n.d.
Salesmen's Club, 1933-1960.**

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| 4 | 25 | Minutes, Financial reports, directory, 1933-1960. |
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Series III. Furniture Manufacturers Association.

Corporate Documents, 1941-1973

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| 5 | 1 | Correspondence, 1941-1973. |
| 5 | 2 | Bylaws, Articles of Association, 1911-1970. |
| | | Certificates |
| 5 | 2.5 | City of Grand Rapids. Nov. 1961. Proclamation. 50 th Anniversary of the FMA |
| 5 | 2.5 | State of Michigan. Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 215. June 9, 1981. Centennial Anniversary of the Furniture Manufacturers Association of Grand Rapids. |

Series IV. Minutes, 1912-1987

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|---|----|---------------------|
| 5 | 3 | 1912-1916 |
| 5 | 4 | 1917-1919 |
| 5 | 5 | 1920-1922 |
| 5 | 6 | 1923-1925 |
| 5 | 7 | 1926-1930 |
| 5 | 8 | 1931-1935 |
| 5 | 9 | 1936-1939 |
| 5 | 10 | 1940-1942 |
| 5 | 11 | 1943-1945 |
| 5 | 12 | 1946-1947 |
| 5 | 13 | 1948-1949 |
| 5 | 14 | 1950 |
| 5 | 15 | 1951-1952 |
| 5 | 16 | 1953-1954 |
| 5 | 17 | 1955-1956 |
| 5 | 18 | 1957 |
| 5 | 19 | 1958 |
| | | Minutes, 1959-1987. |
| 6 | 1 | 1959-1960 |
| 6 | 2 | 1961-1962 |
| 6 | 3 | 1963-1965 |
| 6 | 4 | 1966-1971 |
| 6 | 5 | 1971-1975 |
| 6 | 6 | 1976-1987 |

Series V. Bulletins, 1953-1985

6	7	1953
6	8	1954
6	9	1955
6	10	1956
6	11	1957
6	12	1958
6	13	1959
6	14	1960
6	15	Winter 1961
6	16	Jan.-June 1961
6	17	July-Dec. 1961
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7	3	1967
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7	6	Jan.-June 1970
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7	8	1971
7	9	1972
7	10	1973
7	11	1974
7	12	1975
7	13	1976
7	14	Jan.-June 1977
7	15	July-Dec. 1977
7	16	Jan.-June 1978
7	17	July-Dec. 1978
7	18	1979
7	19	Jan.-June 1980
8	1	July-Dec. 1980.
8	2	1981
8	3	1982
8	4	1983
8	5	1984
8	6	1985

Series VI. Correspondence, 1951-1985, n.d.

8	7	Furniture Museum, 1957-1963.
8	8	Furniture Companies, 1951-1985.
8	9	Continuing Education, 1981.
8	10	Exhibitors Building Renovation, 1980-1982.
8	11	Exports/Imports, 1971-1973.
8	12	Ford, Gerald R., 1980, n.d.

Series VII. Subject Files, 1911-1985

8	13	Annual Reports-Narrative, 1940-1945.
8	14	Baker Museum and Craft Shop, 1980, n.d.
8	15	Budgets/Expenses, 1953-1971.
8	16	Committees, 1967-1974.
8	17	Directors, 1911-1974.
8	18	Dues, 1959-1968.
8	19	Finance Committee, 1984-1985.

Financial Reports

8	20	1919-1929.
8	21	1930-1942
8	22	1943-1959
8	23	1960-1971
8	24	1971-1986
8	25	Foreign Trade Survey, 1979.
8	26	Freight Rates, 1950-1955.
8	27	Grand Rapids Furniture Company, 1955-1973.
8	28	Kent County Airport Showcase, 1963-1964. [7 b/w photos found and removed to photo series, new folder 84-18-6.5, 2/5/2001]
8	29	MSU Furniture Program, 1964-1965.

Series VII. Subject Files, 1911-1985

9	1	Market Buyers, 1923-1964.
9	2	Members, 1918-1963.
9	3	Membership-Employee Levels, 1910-1916, 1965-1985.
9	4	OSHA Reports, 1976-1979
9	5	OSHA Reports, 1980-1983
9	6	Occupation Descriptions, 1969.
9	7	Orders/Shipments Reports, 1974-1985.
9	8	Pavilion '76, 1976.
9	9	Plant Visits, 1954-1963. From England.
9	10	Plant Visits, 1953-1957. From France.
9	11	Plant Visits, 1954-1963. From Germany.
9	12	Safety Assessment, 1975.
9	13	Safety Committee, 1969-1971.
9	14	Safety Regulations, 1969-1975.
9	15	Service Evaluation Study, 1984.
9	16	Service Evaluation Study, 1984-1987
9	17	Service Evaluation Report, 1985
9	18	Strike of 1911.

Series VIII. Traffic File, 1967-1982

9	19	Density Ratings, 1967-1968.
9	20	Furniture Classifications, 1967-1972.
9	21	Grand Rapids Shippers League, 1971-1972.
9	22	West Michigan Shipper Coop., 1969-1971.
		Newsletters
9	23-25	"The Furniture Transporter", 1972-1982.
9	26	"Traffic News Letter", 1976-1982.

Series IX. Vocational Education, 1941-1985

9	27	Committee Papers, 1961-1978.
9	28-30	Correspondence, 1949, 1964-1966.
9	31	Airless Spraying, 1961.
9	32	Apprenticeship Program, 1976-1978.
9	33	Apprenticeship Program Correspondence, 1973-1978.
10	1-2	Background, 1941-1947.
10	3	Background - Irwin Seating, 1946.
10	4	Committee Papers, 1979.
10	5	Correspondence, 1947-1948.
10	6	Blueprint Detail Process Route Reading, 1971, 1975.
10	7-10	Boy Scout Explorer Program, 1976-1979.
10	11	Control Testing, 1957-1958.
10	12	Cost Accounting, 1961.
10	13	Engineering, 1968.
10	14-16	Finish and Repair, 1962-1976.
10	17-20	Furniture Manufacturing, 1969-1970, 1973-1984.
10	21	Furniture Manufacturing-Student Surveys, 1984-1985.
10	22	General Woodworking, 1967, 1972-1973.
10	23	Grand Rapids Junior College, 1979.
10	24	Hand Carving, 1971.
10	25	Jigs and Fixtures, 1970, 1974-1975.
10	26	Job Evaluation, n.d.
10	27	Knife Grinding, 1973-1974.
10	28	Lumber Yield, 1972-1974.
10	29	Managing for Profit, 1970.
10	30	Methods/Time/Measurement, 1949-1952, 1964-1967.
10	31	Mitre Saw, 1961.

Series IX. Vocational Education, 1941-1985

- 11 1 Molding Sanding, 1970-1974.
- 11 2 Office Management, 1962-1963.
- 11 3 Packing, 1954.
- 11 4 Pattern Making, 1972.
- 11 5 Rod Making, 1962.
- 11 6 Safety Seminar, 1975-1976.
- 11 7 Spindle Carving, 1971-1973.
- 11 8 Sticker Course, 1973, 1975.
- 11 9 Upholstery, 1974-1979.
- 11 10 Veneer Processing, 1962.

Series X. Furniture Technology Program, 1954-1985

- 11 11 Brochures, 1958-1985.
- 11 12 Correspondence, 1973-1975.
- 11 13-18 Meetings, 1973-1979.
- 11 19 Rating Reports, 1962-1970.
- 11 20 Scholarships, 1954-1976.
- 11 21-22 Surveys, 1970-1971, 1976.

Series XI. Job Evaluation, 1944-1952, n.d.

- 11 23-25 Background
- 11 26 Correspondence
- 11 27-28 Manual
- 11 29 Analysis Sheets
- 11 30 Job Rating

Series XII. On-the-Job Training, 1960-1967

- 11 31 Outline, 1966-1967.
- 11 32 Correspondence-CAP, 1967.
- 11 33 Correspondence-Extension, 1967.
- 11 34 Survey, 1965.

Contracts

- 11 35 35252.16, Stow/Davis, 1967.
- 11 36 36252.37, Stow/Davis, 1967.
- 11 37 37252.42, Stow/Davis, 1967.
- 11 38 38252.43, Hekman, 1967.

Series XIII. Training Manuals, 1948-1976

- 12 1 Correspondence, 1949-54.
- 12 2 Applied Furniture Engineering, n.d.
- 12 3 Applied Shop Mathematics, 1949.
- 12 4 Boring, 1949.
- 12 5 Cabinet Assembly, n.d.
- 12 6 Knife Grinding, 1954, 1976.
- 12 7 Lumber Yard and Dry Kiln, n.d.
- 12 8-9 Miter Saw, 1950, n.d.
- 12 10 Particle Spindle Carving and Sanding, 1949.
- 12 11 Rough Mill, 1949.
- 12 12-14 Sanding, n.d.
- 12 15 Shop Mathematics, 1949.
- 12 16 Woodworking Machinery, 1949.
- 12 16.5 Daily Schedule. Moulder Training Course, Kent Skill Center. n.d.

John Widdicomb Co. Apprenticeship Program

- 12 17 Introduction, 1948.
- 12 18-19 Engineering, 1948.
- 12 20 Lumberyard and Dry Kiln, 1949
- 12 21 Rough Mill and Sanding, 1948.
- 12 22 Sanding, 1948.

50 Grand Rapids Furniture Craft Training Program & John Widdicomb Furniture Craft Development Program. Working Manual / written by Edwin C. Corwin. [Training Manual], 1949. [Fnd. unboxed on shelves & added 3/99, but may actually belong with unprocessed Edwin Corwin Collection material]

Series XIV. Recruitment, 1968-1969

- 12 23 International Craftsmen, 1968.
- 12 24 Instructions, 1968-1969.
- 12 25 Itinerary, 1968.
- 12 26 Advertising, 1968.
- 12 27-28 Applications, 1968.

Series XV. Wages, 1971-1982

- 12 29-30 Wage Surveys, 1971-1982.
- 12 31-37 Data, 1979-Dec 1980.
- 13 1-4 Data, Dec 1980-1981.
- 13 4.5 Data-Working Papers, 1980 [Fnd. In Box 12, with box and folder number missing, 2/6/2001]
- 13 5 Data-Working Papers, 1981.

Series XVI. Legal Files, 1915-1977

- 13 6-10 Design Copyright, 1933-1963.

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13	11	Trademarks - General, 1920-1967.
13	12-14	Trademark Registrations, 1961-1977.
13	13-20	Wood Labeling, 1958-1964.
14	1-6	Unfair Trade Correspondence, 1919-1970. Taxes, 1950-1961.
14	7	Committee, 1958-1960.
14	8	Exemption for Intransit Goods, 1957-1958.
14	9	Intangibles, 1966.
14	10	Personal Property, 1950-1958.
14	11	Real Estate, 1960-1961.
14	12	State Senate Committee, 1957.
14	13	Georgia, Michigan, Mississippi, Ohio, 1957-1961. Suits
14	14	FMA vs. Benjamin Crossman, 1921-1922.
14	15	FMA vs. Conrad-Baisch-Kroehle, 1917-1919, 1934.
14	16-25	FMA vs. FTC, 1926-1937.
15	1	FMA vs. Grand Rapids Exhibitors Guild, 1934-1936.
15	2-9	FMA vs. Grand Rapids Furniture Co. of Warren, 1962-1968.
15	10	FMA vs. Grand Rapids Upholstering Co., 1915-1918.
15	11-16	FMA vs. Schwartz, et. al., 1915-1944.
15	17	FTC vs. Grand Rapids Furniture Co. of Illinois, 1925.
15	18	FTC vs. S. & M. Grand Rapids Sales, 1947.
15	19	Grand Rapids Furniture Co. vs. Mitchell Furniture Co., 1916.
15	20	New York vs. Grand Rapids Sales Co., Inc., 1925.
15	21-25	U.S. vs. A.C. Brown, et. al., 1925-1926.
15	26-30	Correspondence, 1915-1944, 1956-1961.
		Series XVII. FTC Trade Practice Rulings, 1930-1971
16	1-4	Wood Labeling, 1953-1971.
16	5	Rayon, 1930-1942.
16	6	Miscellaneous, 1925-1960.

Series XVIII. Publications, Booklets, 1949-1952, n.d.

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| 16 | 7 | "The Furniture Career of Grand Rapids," n.d. |
| 16 | 8 | "Grand Rapids: A City Whose ...," 1949. |
| 16 | 9 | "Grand Rapids: Furniture City with a Past and Future," n.d. |
| 16 | 10 | "The Romance that is Grand Rapids," 1959. |
| 16 | 11 | "The Story of Grand Rapids Furniture," 1951-1952. |
| 16 | 12 | Illustrations, n.d. |
| | | |
| 30 | 1 | Furniture Careers, n.d. (3) |
| | | |
| 30 | 2 | Information (8)
1. "Recipe for Furniture Buying
2. "Recipe for Furniture Care
3. "Upholstery fabrics add glamor."
4. "Care of Furniture Surfaces."
5. "If You Care, Take Care of Your Furniture (Money Management)"
6. "Your Home Furnishing Dollar."
7. "Furniture Facts."
8. "All About Furniture." |
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| 30 | 3 | Grand Rapids Information (8)
1. "In Appreciation of Grand Rapids."
2. "Grand Rapids Furniture."
3. "Fine Furniture."
4. "Grand Rapids Made."
5. "Why Grand Rapids is the Furniture Market." / Frank M. Sparks.
[Grand Rapids Herald] Cover ID: Souvenir and Program of the Second
Annual Field Day. Grand Rapids Furniture Market. Sumer of 1918.
Grand Rapids Furniture Salesmen's Association. Includes caricatures of
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| 30 | | Periodicals (2) |
| | 3.5 | "Furniture World." v. 176, no. 19, Nov. 1, 1962. |
| | 3.6 | "Accent Grand Rapids." [serial]
v. 8, no. 2, March. 1979. RE: West Michigan Systems Furniture Industry
3/21/2001 |

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- 30 4 Manufacturers.
"Grand Rapids Chair Company, 1872-1942."
"Story of Baker Furniture." n.d.
L.L. Johnson Lumber Company, Charlotte, Mi. 1909-1984
- 30 5 "The Stylist," 1939, 1966-1968. (Periodical)
v. 7, #6, Autumn, 1939

v. 34, #4, 1966
v. 35, #1, 3, 4 & 6, 1967
v. 36, #1, 2, 5, 6, 1968
- 24 x Grand Rapids Furniture Record. Advertising Clippings. 1912-1915, 1919.
- 24 x Miscellaneous publications about Grand Rapids furniture.
Oversized
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 - Detroit News. Section C. June 9, 1981
"Grand Rapids displays its furniture, past, present"
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 - Furniture Today : the business newspaper of the furniture industry.
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 - Grand Rapids Press. June 13, 1981
Musuem Celebrates Furniture Century
 - Michigan Manufacturers and Financial Record. May 1957, pg. 60
"Furniture Industry Watches G.R. Design.
 - Retailing Home Furnishings
June 22, 1981, Section One. pg. 12
"Grand Rapids FMS Celebrates 100th"
 - Tri-State Trader.
v. 14, no. 11, June 20, 1981
"Grand Rapids, Mich., Exhibit Salutes City's Famed Furniture.
 - Clippings. Photocopies. Source unknown
 - Bill Dunn Retires, Jan. 5, 1972
 - Heads FMA Unit. Oct. 4, 1963. Charles R. Solon.

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- 32 Periodicals
- 1 Greater Grand Rapids Chamber of Commerce News, July 1964.
 - 2 Michigan Challenge / Michigan State Chamber of Commerce. Sept. 1966.
 - 3 Michigan Manufacturer and Financial Record. "Michigan Industry" v. 125, no. 5, May 1970.
 - 4 Peninsular Club Magazine. v. 30, no. 3, March 1961.
 - 5 West Michigan. June 1981. "The Furniture Industry" "The First 100 Years" pg. 27. FMA Anniversary
- 32 Other
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 - 7 Your Livelihood. Michigan Week, May 16-22, 1965.
 - 8 The Furniture Industry and its Potential Market / U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Washington, D.C. 1950.
 - 9 "I'll Take That One, Please ..." Tips on Selecting Furniture / prepared by Furniture Manufacturers Assoc. of Grand Rapids, ca. 1962.
- Series XIX. Furniture Museum/Education Center (FMEC), 1983-1985.**
- 16 13 Background Data, 1984, n.d.
 - 16 14 Goals, [1984].
 - 16 15 Correspondence, 1983-1985.
 - 16 16 Correspondence - Bidders, 1984-1985.
 - 16 17 Correspondence - Fund Raising, 1982-1985.
 - 16 18 Yes Michigan Grant Application, 1983-1984.
 - 16 19 Meeting Minutes, 1984-1985.
 - 16 20 Proposals Review, 1984-1985.
 - 16 21 Kessler Billing, 1985.
 - 16 22 Consultant Report, 1985.
 - 16 23 Economic Conclusions, 1985.
- Series XX. Upholstered Furn. Action Council (UFAC), 1973-1982.**
- 16 24-6 Correspondence, 1974-1982.
 - 16 27 Meeting Minutes, 1978-1979.
 - 16 28 Reports, 1973-1982.
 - 16 29 Safety Action Alerts, 1977-1978.
 - 16 30-1 Seminar, 1975, 1983.
 - 16 32-4 Background Information, 1974-1981.

Series XXI. FMA Centennial, 1981

- 17 1 Furniture Exhibit, 1981.
- 17 2 Furniture Exhibit Historic Advertising, 1981.
- 17 3 Furniture History.
- 17 4 Premiums, 1981.
- 17 5 Publicity, 1981.
- 17 6 Reception, 1981.

Photographs

- 17 7 General. (5)
- 17 8 Exhibit. (43, including color)
- 17 9 Furniture. (17, including color)
- 17 10 Historic. (17 fnd. 2001 + 1 Ms. Retnd. 11/2003 + 2 small items attached to the back of the others = 20 11/20/2003)
 - R.W. Irwin-Phonix Furniture Co. Interior. 1903
 - <http://www.grpl.org/perl/gallery/display.pl?decade=1900&display=7>
- 17 10.5 Furniture Factories. Exteriors (2)

Photographs & Color Negatives.

Note: The negative included in these folders need to be moved to a separate box and folder. These are most, if not all color. 11/2007

- 17 11 Baker Furniture, Inc. (3)
- 17 12 Bergsma Brothers, Inc. (1)
- 17 13 Brandt of Grand Rapids.
- 17 14 Colonial.
- 17 15 Carl Forslund.(3)
- 17 16 Hekman Furniture Co.
- 17 17 H.L. Hubbell, Inc.
- 17 18 Irwin Seating Co. (4 including color)
- 17 19 Kindel Furniture Co. (1)
- 17 20 Mastercraft. (4)
- 17 21 Howard Miller Clock Co.
- 17 22 Ralph Morse Furniture Co. (1)
Poster
- 17 23 Mueller Furniture Co.
- 17 24 The Pine Shops.
- 17 25 Rose-Johnson. (6)
- 17 26 Sligh/Trend Clocks. (2)
- 17 27 Stow/Davis. (2)
- 17 28 Superior Furniture Co.
- 17 29 West Michigan Furniture Co.
- 17 30 John Widdicomb Co. (4)

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- 18 1 A-Grand Affair -- FMA display, 1980.(22, including color)
- 18 2 "Arlene Francis Home Show" filming, 1957.(6)
- 18 3 Berkey & Gay Exhibitors Building, n.d. (1)
- 18 4 Berkey & Gay Co, n.d. (1)
- 18 5 Campau Square View, c.1915. (1)
- 18 6 Defense Housing models, c.1944. (1)
- 18 7 Exhibitors Building, 1926. (2)
- 18 8 Fancy Furniture Co., n.d. (1)
- 18 9 FMA Members Meeting, 1964. (1)
- 18 10 Foreign Visitors, 1965. (4)
- 18 11 Furniture, 1965-1970, n.d. (9)
- 18 12 Furniture, 1965-1970, n.d. (59, including color)
- 18 13 Furniture, 1965-1970, n.d. (60)
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- 24 x Furniture, n.d. (4 oversized on board)
1. Chest with mirror overhead, and chairs either side. Rooks Studio. 61B12. ca. 1956
 2. Two chairs, with lamp on table between in room setting. [Rooks Studio] 56M8 ca. 1956.
 3. Four chairs arranged around a round table, but three with their own side tables. Bar cabinet partially visible at left. In room setting. [Rooks Studio] 56M10. ca. 1958
 4. Bedroom furniture, including three drawer extended dresser with mirror overhead, and side table with lamp. Hastings Square, Inc. ca. 1956. John Malloy photo.
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- 24 x Furniture, n.d. (5 oversized)
1. Dining Room furniture with table & chairs & lighted windowed cabinet. Rooks Studio. 61K4. 1959.
 2. Dining Room furniture with table and chairs, side arm chairs, a 2 door short cabinet, and a stacking unit with four lower and four upper curtained doors. Rooks Studio. 62G6. ca. 1960.
 3. Photo of page 40, Catalog no. 50, Michigan Frame Co., G.R. n.d. Two images: Victorian Chair & provincial Art Chair.
 4. Photo of page 41, Catalog no. 50, Michigan Frame Co., G.R., n.d. Two images: Hepplewhite Barrel Chair and Arm Chair.
 5. Contact print. Johnson. 3-21-61. Living Room setting with sofa, coffee table with unique shape, credenza cabinet, and overhead closed cabinet. Asian decorative theme with overhead hanging lamp.

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Slides, Furniture, 1981, n.d.

Furniture by company (see also FMA Centennial)

18	14	Baker Furniture, 1962-1970, n.d.(19)
18	15	Barnard & Simons, n.d. (4)
18	16	Bergsma Brothers, 1970. (1)
18	17	Bodart Furniture Co., 1961-1970.(14)
18	18	Brandt of Grand Rapids, 1961-1970. (21)
18	19	Colonial Manufacturing Co., 1970. (2)
18	20	Druke Games, 1959. (9)
18	21	Extensole Corp., 1970. (1)
18	22	Fine Arts Furniture Co., 1962, n.d. (5)
19	1	Brothers Forslund, 1970, n.d. (7)
19	2	Furniture Craftsmen, 1962. (7)
19	3	Grand Ledge Chair Co., 1962, n.d. (6)
19	4	Grand Rapids Carvers, Inc., 1970. (1)
19	5	Grand Rapids Chair Co., 1961. (1)
19	6	Grand Rapids Upholstering Co., 1970. (4)
19	7	Haney Equipment Co., 1970. (1)
19	8	Hekman Furniture Co., 1970. (4)
19	9	Imperial Furniture Co., n.d. (2)
19	10	Irwin Seating Co., n.d. (3, including color)
19	11	Jamestown Lounge Co., n.d. (2)
19	12	Johnson Furniture Co., 1961-1970, n.d.(20)
19	13	Kindel Furniture Co., 1962-1970.(34, including color)
19	14	Kozak Studios, 1962. (8)
19	15	Michigan Chair Co., 1962.(2)
19	16	Mastercraft Furniture Co., 1970.(3)
19	17	Ralph Morse Furniture Co., n.d.(1)
19	18	Muller Furniture Co., n.d.(4)
19	19	Nucraft Furniture Co., 1970.(1)
19	20	The Pine Shops, 1962-1970.(14)

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Furniture by company (see also FMA Centennial)

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| 21 | | Schoonbeck Co., 1970. (1) |
| | 22 | Sligh/Lowry Furniture Co., 1970-1982.(6) |
| | 23 | Stow/Davis Furniture Co., 1970. (30) |
| | 24 | West Michigan Furniture Co., 1970. (1) |
| 20 | 1 | John Widdicomb Co., 1961-1970, n.d. (51) |
| 20 | 2 | Furniture Craftsmen, or Furniture craftsmen, n.d. (5. Note: This may be an error. There are only 4 found and listed on the folder 6/11/2004) |
| 20 | 3 | Furniture Club interior, 1924. (22) |
| 20 | 4 | Furniture Designers reception, 1962.(15) |
| 20 | 5 | Furniture Designers reception, 1962. (39) |
| 20 | 6 | Furniture Display Rooms, 1911. (2) |
| 20 | 6.5 | Kent co. Airport Showcase, 1963-1964 (8, including color)
See also 84-8-28 |
| 20 | 7 | Furniture Displays, 1976 (Pavilion '76) (15, including color) |
| 24 | 2 | Furniture Factories. Interiors, n.d.(4 oversized)
1. John Widdicomb Co. Interior with production line staff working on tables. Men & Women staff. Rooks Photo. 58I3 ca. Mar. 18, 1960.
2. Jewell Furniture Co., 1952. Four men working at drill or other work stations. Wood pieces in stacks on carts. Grand Rapids made equipment in use. Dale Rooks Studio, 52E1.
3. "Precision. Triple drum sander smooths the wood down to the exact desired dimension. "SOLEM" planer. Large piece of equipment with a man working at either end. No date or location.
4. Man working with wood pieces on large piece of equipment. No location or date. |
| 25 | slides | Furniture Factories. Interiors, n.d. |
| 20 | 8 | Furniture Galleries, 1957. (6) |
| 20 | 9 | Furniture Salespeople, n.d. (43) |
| 20 | 10 | Furniture Salespeople, n.d. (44) |
| 20 | 11 | Furniture Salespeople, n.d. (9) |
| 20 | 12 | Furniture Show filming, n.d. (1) |

**Series XXII. Photographs, 1911-1982, n.d.
Furniture Tech School**

- 20 13 Building, n.d. (2)
- 21 1 Classes, 1954-1969. (23, 1/25/2001)
- 21 2 Students, 1954-1961, n.d. (16, 1/25/2001)
- 21 3 Furniture Temple, n.d. (1, 1/25/2001)
- 21 4 German Furniture Mfgs. Delegation, 1955-1958. (2, 1/25/2001)
- [GR Airplane Co. original prints are linen backed & numbered]
- 21 5 **Grand Rapids Airplane Co., ca.1918.**
Factory Photo Nos. 1-30
1. Grand Rapids Chair Co. View from river of large complex with loading dock(?) left and smoke stack toward right end.
http://www.grapids.lib.mi.us/site_images/collections/grhsty_spcoll/photoco ll/84-21-5.3032.jpg
 2. Imperial Furniture Co. (Neg. #3036) View at intersection, road curving to the left has rail tracks. Wire fence around complete. Tower center left in image.
 3. Luce Furniture Co.
 4. “Sligh Furniture Co., makers of everything for the bedroom”—on building. Man with auto on loading dock center right. “Internati...” sign visible above striped awning on building behind him. Larger 5 story factory building at left has the logo. Fire escape on the large building. Lumber piled beside rail tracks on left side of image. Railway cross and utility pole prominent in foreground. Tank just visible on large building.
 5. Berkey & Gay. 6-story building with decorative center windows on two sides of the top floor. Corner view with autos on the street on both sides. View to the building behind. 7 story other generation building/section center right.
 6. Royal Furniture Co. Building Complex on 432 Monroe Ave. N. 7 story factory building, with a small two story building at center with two smoke stacks. Another factory building or two behind. Two billboards on the street at center right advertise 1) William S. Hart in “The Two Gun Man” at the Orpheum Theatre 2) Swift Cigars. An auto sits on the curb in front of these boards.
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Grand Rapids Airplane Co., ca. 1918 Continued ...

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7. Grand Rapids Furniture Co. Water at right appears to go under the 6 story building at right. Lumb in yard behind a pier at the water. 4-story other generation barod center left

8. The Macey Co. Corner view of four story building with shorter wing behind. Railroad crossing at lower left corner. "The Macy Company" over first floor entrance, striped awnings rolled back.

9. Imperial. View from a railway track across brush to the factory complex. The tower is hidden behind a smoke stack at right.

10. Grand Rapids Store Equipment Co. Four story factory with fire escape, including roof access. Men stand in a garage type doorway on the lower level. Garage type addition near by. Window open at various locations. Pipe across the street top corner right.

11. John Widdicomb Co. (Neg. #3485) Railroad tracks and car in foreground. Four story building with a small one story building and picket fence center left.

<http://www.grpl.org/photocoll?cat=furniture#mid>

http://www.grapids.lib.mi.us/site_images/collections/grhsty_spcoll/photocoll/84-21-5.3485thumb.jpg

12. Grand Rapids Store Equipment Co. Four story building with pipe over road at left. View to a two story warehouse type building behind the factory at left.

13. (Globe Printing Co.) /Bissell Carpet Sweeper Co./(Leitelt Elevators)
View from river.

14. Stickley Brothers Co. View from tower side with water tank behind on other side. Small tree in foreground of view, across a field to the street in front of the factory, where an auto is parked.

15. Wilmarth Show Case Co. Building. 1544 Jefferson Ave. Rural type setting with dirt road and fence behind yard in foreground. Young tree near the corner of the factory right, with a person in an auto nearby. Striped awnings on front windows of a two story building. A water tank with the company name on the three story building behind.

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Grand Rapids Airplane Co., ca. 1918 Continued ...
Factory Photo Nos. 1-30

16. Century Furniture Co. Street view with lumber behind a short wire fence. Five story building with auto on the street. Smoke stack behind the building.

17. Johnson Furniture Co. Various small trees block part of the street corner view of the 5-story factory. Factory name on water tank behind.

18. Sligh Furniture Co.(Neg.#3038) View across railroad tracks to vista of factory complex. Short pipes in the yard center right, and some bricks. Lumber stacked around the factory, plus small utility buildings. Two water tanks visible with Sligh name.

http://www.grapids.lib.mi.us/site_images/collections/grhsty_spcoll/photoco ll/84-21-5.3038.jpg

19. Johnson Furniture Co. View of the power plant structures, including a short stack, and a water tower with the company name. The factory building runs across the photo behind. Lumber stacks all around.

20. Johnson Furniture Co. (Neg. #3037) View at intersection toward the 5-story factory building with tank on top. A luggage type wagon sits in a field in the foreground. Three vehicles are at the near end of the factory at left. Entrance steps are seen at the long street side of the factory.

http://www.grapids.lib.mi.us/site_images/collections/grhsty_spcoll/photoco ll/84-21-5.3037.jpg

21. Grand Rapids Chair Co. (Neg. #3032) View from railroad tracks across a fence? Two large buildings meet in an "L", with yard in the right foreground.

22. Berkey & Gay Furniture Co. (Neg.#1325) View across a brick street to the factory complete. A five story building at left has a Berkey & Gay logo on the side, and appears to have a loading dock area along the yard side of the building. The 6-story building behind has a garage door open with people nearby. A 1-story addition to this building at right has "Office" at the door, and bicycles parked a ground level below the stairs to the door. The Berkey & Gay Tower is located in the center background in this image. A fire hydrant is in the foreground with an auto in front of the shorter building near another fire hydrant.

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Grand Rapids Airplane Co., ca. 1918 Continued ...
Factory Photo Nos. 1-30

23. Phoenix. Robert W. Irwin Co. (Neg.#3031)

24. Century Furniture Co. Building. 49-60 Prescott, cor. Ionia. Five story factory building with ivy climbing to second level. Old hanging street light. Corner view.

<http://www.grpl.org/photocoll?cat=furniture#mid>

25. Luce Furniture Co. Near view of the water tank with a short brick building unit in front. A man stands on a stack of lumber with piles of lumber in the foreground. The larger factory building is behind.

26. Dry Kiln. The Macey Co. Stacks of lumber in the foreground and left. Part of a smoke stack left on a short building with more factory buildings and another stack behind.

27. Grand Rapids Chair Co. View across a railroad track to a one story loading dock building. The factory is mostly hidden behind, but a brick smoke stack is at right. Lumber on the loading dock.

28. The Macey Co. View cross a view to a wire fence. Lumber in the yard. A large stack a center, with another in the background right. The factory complex spreads behind.

29. Michigan Chair Co. on tower at left. Stickley Brothers on center factory building. Bird's eye view across railroad tracks to a yard with a covered but open storage building, and lumber stacked in the yard. Several small utility buildings. A couple of stacks in the center. A water tank behind. Another tower without a sign center right. (Neg.#2462)

http://www.grapids.lib.mi.us/site_images/collections/grhsty_spcoll/photoco/84-21-5.3032.jpg

Note: This is currently a large image file, which may take some time to load.

30. Wilmarth Showcase Co. View from a railroad track across a yard to piles of lumber. A short building at left with the factory behind. Smoke stack and water take near the center. The factory name is at the far end of the building center right. The water tank appears to have the first letters of "Show Case" on it.

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- 21 6 Grand Rapids Airplane Co., ca.1918. (39 + 1 copy photo of #39 = 40 items.)
Photo Nos. 31-69, + 1 dup. Mostly Interiors
31. Luce Furniture Co. Bird's eye view of factory complex at 655-657 Godfrey Ave. Sign on building has "... bed room & dining room furniture". Railroad tracks in the near foreground with utility poles with railroad cars and lumber behind. A water tank and two stacks near the center in front of the factory, Another tank in the background center. Views to the buildings on the hill behind.
<http://www.grpl.org/photocoll?cat=furniture#mid>
32.
33. Wilmarth Show Case
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36. Lumber Distribution and Kiln Production
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38. Phoenix (Neg. #3666)
39. Phoenix (Neg. #1558) + Dup. copy photo
40. Stickley
41. Stickley
42. Phoenix
49. John Widdicomb
52. (Neg. 2177)
53. John Widdicomb
62. (Neg. 1292)
63. Century
- 21 7 Grand Rapids Airplane Co., c.1918.
Photo Nos. 70-110, 1 unnumbered +
70.
71. Wilmarth
77. (Neg. 3039)
81. (Neg. 1557) + Dup. copy print
85. Wilmarth Show Case Co. (Neg. 2564)
103. (Neg. 3033)
109. (Neg. 3486)

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- 21 8 Unnumbered (Neg. 3034)
Grand Rapids Public Library interior, ca. 1965.(6, copy prints 7/25/2006)
Images show the Rare Book Room and the Furniture Design Room including entry design and furniture by local furniture makers. Also, portions of the second floor space in the then newer wing of the building, near these two special rooms, are seen, probably including furniture by local companies.
1. Rare Book Room entrance with view to interior space and furniture.
 2. Interior. Rare book Room, showing the furniture, including the enclosed cabinets with the mess metal fronts. "Contributed by Hollis M. Baker" –the room that is.
 3. Interior. Furniture Design Collection, showing book cases, closed cabinet space, chairs and side table. William Andrews photo, July 1968-per verso.
 4. View to glass front cabinet, sofa, chairs, and small coffee tables in the Furniture Design Collection space. Bernie photo.
 5. Furniture outside of the Furniture Design room, including round tables seating four, and a decorative cupboard on the wall between two decorative illustrations. Colorama Studio Photo Mar. 1968.
 6. Another view of this space, with a waist level book counter with dictionary stand in the foreground. View to the small windows used in this previous building. Book shelving. Colorama Studio Photo, Mar. 1968.
- 24 x Grand Rapids Views, n.d. (2)
1. Bird's eye view of intersection of Monroe Ave. & Division. View NW toward the Pantlind, with Herpelseimers and Monument Square in the foreground. Perks and Van Dusens at right. 1950's view, probably a Robinson Studio image.
 2. Bird's eye view of downtown looking north. McKay Tower center left, with towers for Kent County Building and City Hall. Bishop Furniture Co., with a Wurzburg Building across the street in the foreground. Open land in the background is north of Michigan St.

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Imperial Furniture Co., interior, 1967. (5, 7/25/2005)

Set of 4 photos by the Colorama studio, June 1, 1967. Two men are seen in each of the four photos, one in 1 light shirt and apron with his back to the camera, working a drill, and a balding man in a suit near center right. The other individuals in the photos change from image to image.

1. Four men standing near an upright equipment console “3100”.
2. Four men, one standing near the drill, three others centered near the 3100 equipment console, with the tall balding man on its right.
3. Five men, one working at the drill, three standing at the far side of the equipment console 3100, with the tall balding man standing at the back of this unit. This machine looks like a washing machine in this image, but clearly has another function related to furniture production.
4. One man at the drill, the tall man standing with another man, showing him a board with a shape cut in it. Another man in glasses is partially visible in the background.
5. Three men work at different stations on upholstery of some piece of furniture.

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Interstate Building, n.d. (1, 7/25/2005)

1. Manufacturers Building. Furniture—sign on building. Ca. 1920’s? “Exhibit Building”—verso. A couple of white blobs on the image using in the cropping and production of the image. A shorter wing or separate building is center right. The façade of the taller 7-story building has a marquee type entrance, which includes the letters “Manufacturers”. It also has a fire escape visible on this façade. Autos on the streets.

Note: No verification of the description “Interstate Building”, but 1912 City Directory has the Manufacturers Building at 110 Ionia Ave. N.W. between Pearl and Fountain. The smaller building shown is at the corner of Fountain & Ionia. The U.S. Government Building or Old Post Office building, currently the GR Art Museum, is just visible in the background on Pearl St. behind the Manufacturers Building.

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Robert W. Irwin Co. Interior views, ca. 1915. (13)

1. "Y" shaped building columns along the left. A bunch of tall spindles between a couple of columns near an oval table. Men in aprons, work clothes & hats looking at the camera. An unfinished rocking chair lying on its side on a table in the foreground. Windows at right.
2. "Y" columns at left, but probably a different space than above as the interior ceiling is smoother. Only a few workers. Appears to be a cabinet or bookcase in progress lying on its side near the center of the image. A man stands with a broom at left. A small barrel is in the lower left foreground. A vice is on the workspace in the right foreground. Other cut pieces of wood throughout. Windows at right.
3. "Y" columns at left, windows at right and at the back. Appears to be a door at the right rear. Work tables under windows with men working at them. Piles of fabricated pieces along the left.
4. Windows at left. Man in the foreground seated working on a chair. Another chair or two is behind this chair in the foreground. Part of a bushel basket is at the bottom of the photo, center foreground. Other men standing in the background working on chairs. A rocking chair is partially visible center right, and nearby are several stair chairs without arms.
5. Windows at left. Several men working in two rows near the windows, probably each with his own workbench. The first person on the inside row and a boy, with an old man with gray hair & beard behind him. Various tools visible on the work tables.
http://www.grapids.lib.mi.us/site_images/collections/grhsty_spcoll/photocoll/84-21-11a.nn.jpg
6. Windows left. Ceiling beams running into the background and a couple of large beams running across underneath them. A cabinet with glass doors is partially visible in the foreground with a side table behind it. Various men stand mostly in the background. An umbrella hangs upside down from the ceiling near the center right.
7. Windows at right with workspaces in front. Five workmen and one boy in the space, mostly by the window work stations. The boy stands at the end of a trestle table in the foreground.
<http://www.grapids.lib.mi.us/photocoll?cat=onclick&keynum=394>

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- 21 11 **Robert W. Irwin Co. Interior views, ca. 1915. (13)**
8. Space with pulleys overhead. Trough workstations along the windows at right. Men arranged near the center of the photo, on either side of an aisle next to the work areas. Various shapes and pieces of wood stacked at the left.
 9. Another work space with pulleys overhead. The work is not really centered near the windows in this image. A couple of large work tables in or near the foreground have a couple of metal (?) spindles sticking up from the underside of the table.
 10. This appears to be a more interior workspace, with windows in the background left. Some kind of equipment running along the ceiling at left. An sort of interior room at right, with a man standing near a barrel at right.
 11. Overhead equipment in use on a large flatbed with windows in the background. Five men, most seated on stools. Nearest man standing at the bottom center of the image, looking at the camera.
http://www.grapids.lib.mi.us/site_images/collections/grhsty_spcoll/phocoll/84-21-11b.nn.jpg
 12. Five men standing in the center of the image. A ladder hangs sideways overhead at right. Lots of wood planks in the foreground.
- 21 11.5 Robert Irwin Company. Exterior (1, 7/25/2005)
Found in folder above mark as Interiors.
1. Shows a four story factory building with basement, on a tree lined street, with multiple railroad tracks in the foreground, and autos on the street. Odd cut item.
- 21 12 Keeler Building, 1936. (1, 7/25/2005)
1. Shows a corner view of the building with striped awnings on the first level, a "Postal Telegraph" sign near an auto parked in front of the building. Cluster globe street lighting. A sign center right in the image reads "G.R. Commerce (or Commercial" College". Camera Shop photo #36385.
- 24 4 Kindel Furniture Co., n.d. (1 Oversized)
- Exterior ca. 1950's.

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- 21 13 Lincoln Day Dinner, 1964. (1, 7/25/2005)
1. Interior view of a stage with a crowd of people on and off stage. The sign hanging above the stage reads "Jerry Ford for President". Jerry Ford is at the microphone, with Mrs. Ford at left. Robinson Studio photo. Mar. 5, 1964.
- 21 14 Luce Furniture Co., n.d. (1, 7/25/2005)
1. Exterior view of Luce Furniture Company with a wire fence lower left. The front surface has been damaged or altered during use.
- 21 15 Macey Co., n.d. (1, 7/25/2005)
1. Exterior view of a four story building with a factory wing behind. Railroad tracks and crossing in the foreground. Deterioration or alteration in the image.
- 21 16 Michigan Chair Co., n.d. (1, 7/25/2005)
1. View of a four story building hidden behind trees with a vista down the street left. A single door with an arch in the door opening is at the near end. A tower is visible down the street left.
- Grand Rapids Airplane Co.
<http://www.grpl.org/photocoll?cat=furniture#mid>
- 22 1 100th Furniture Market display, 1928. (40)

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| 22 | 2 | Some Identified.(41)
1. Congressman & Mrs. Gerald ford with R.H. Bennett, Jr. Robinson photo 3/5/1964. Shown looking an a chair.
2. Secretary Thomas (Navy), Jerry Ford, S.H.R. Two men shaking hands in office with Ford standing in between.
3. Three men in a design studio looking at a printed page. L-R Dave Calahan, Bevelaqua, Student winner of Contest, Kendall School, on FMA 50th Anniversary. Newspaper Supplement. [African American student]
4-5. Mrs. Katherine Scott, Grand Rapids Upholstery and Pakistani an delegate to UN who was President of UN at the time, 1964. Colorama Studio photo showing man & woman with an upholstered chair.
"Republic. Sunday. Order ticket for Engraver's Order no. 1958." (2 copies of same image)
6-7. Julie Nixon and David Eisenhower taken at the Exhibitor's Building, office, with James Van Oosten of Johnson Furniture Co., per memo date Oct. 14, 1968. Robinson studio photos Oct. 10, 1968. |
| 22 | 3 | Portraits. (72) |
| 22 | 4 | Unidentified.(9) |
| 22 | 5 | Press Days, 1955, 1957, 1959, 1964. (23) |
| 22 | 6 | Salesmen's Club, n.d. (5) |
| 22 | 7 | Skill Center, n.d. (1) |
| 25 | slides | Skill Center, n.d. |
| 22 | 8 | Stickley Furniture Co., n.d. (1) |
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| 22 | 11 | Winter Market, 1964. (7) |
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53	OVE 28	Centennial of Furniture Exhibits, 1928.[1988.031.2]
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- Computer Numerical Control of Woodworking Machines in Secondary Manufacture / Charles W. McMillin. U.S. Dept. of Ag. Forest Service. Southern Forest Experiment Station. Jan. 1983.
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 - Cutterheads and Knives / Mattison Machine Works. Catalog no. 106
 - Model 286 Moulder / Mattison
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M. Van Otteren

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