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OVERVIEW

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CREATOR: Whitmore, J. W.

TITLE: J. W. Whitmore papers

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QUANTITY: 1.2 cubic ft.

LANGUAGE: The materials are in English.

ABSTRACT: The J. W. Whitmore papers are comprised of miscellaneous correspondence relating to Ford Motor Company arrangements for transportation for conventions, visiting individuals, dedications, etc.

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BIOGRAPHY

J. W. Whitmore worked in the Ford Motor Company Traffic Division (later Traffic, Reservations) from the late 1920s to the early 1940s. He was responsible for making reservations for individuals such as the King of Denmark and groups such as the Boy Scouts.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The papers are comprised of miscellaneous correspondence relating to Ford Motor Company arrangements for transportation for conventions, visiting individuals, dedications, etc. Events include American Legion conventions; Dagenham, England Ford Motor Company river cruises; the Stephen A. Foster house dedication in Greenfield Village, Dearborn, Michigan; a National Merit Club Contest; and Boy Scouts of America Jamborees. There is a small amount of correspondence regarding the visit of the Danish Crown Prince Frederick and Princess Ingrid in 1939 and outlines for a Duke of Windsor visit in 1941. Also included are daily employment reports for Ford Motor Company domestic plants, 1931-1934 and monthly employee reports for domestic plants, 1931-1942; a Houston, Texas plant location proposal, 1934; and a photograph of Mickey Rooney signing a Detroit Symphony membership card in 1940.

SUBJECT TERMS

Names, Personal and Corporate

Whitmore, J. W.

Rooney, Mickey

Windsor, Edward, Duke of, 1894-1972

Frederick IX, King of Denmark, 1899-1972

Foster, Stephen A. (Stephen Austin), 1866-1931

Ford Motor Company--Employees

Ford Motor Company. Traffic Division

Boy Scouts of America

American Legion

Henry Ford (Organization). Greenfield Village

Subjects

Automobile industry and trade

Genre or Form

Annual Reports

Patents

CONTAINER LIST

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Box 1

Correspondence - American Legion
New York Convention, 1937
 General
 Used vehicle disposal
Chicago Convention, 1939
 General
 Used vehicle disposal
Boston Convention, 1940
 General
 Thank you letters
Milwaukee Convention, 1941
 General
 Thank you letters
New Orleans Convention, 1941
Activities, 1942
Commander's visit, 1942

Box 2

Topical
 Boy Scouts of America
 Jamboree travel plans, 1936-1936
 Jamboree travel plans, 1937 (2 folders)
 Trip to Dearborn, 1938
Chicago World's Fair - shell, 1937
Communications development report, 1938
Dagenham, England, visit, 1934, 1936
Danish Royalty visit, 1939
Detroit Police Safety Bureau, 1941
Duke of Windsor visit, 1941
Employment reports
 Daily, 1928-1937
 Monthly, 1937-1942

Box 3

Lincoln Car projected production, 1926-1927
Mickey Rooney, 1940
Motorways Association, 1939
National Merit Club
 Atlantic City trip, 1935
 San Diego trip, 1935 (2 folders)
Patents, 1935
Proposed Houston, Texas plant location, 1934

Box 3 continued:

Soybean research, 1941

Stephen Foster Home dedication, 1935

Traffic survey, Automobile Club of Southern California, 1937