



Finding Aid for

OFFICE OF CLARA FORD RECORDS SERIES, 1920-1950

Accession 290

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OVERVIEW

REPOSITORY: Benson Ford Research Center
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ACCESSION NUMBER: 290

CREATOR: Ford Motor Company. Estate of Henry Ford.

TITLE: Office of Clara Ford records series

INCLUSIVE DATES: 1920-1950

QUANTITY: 6.4 cubic ft.

LANGUAGE: The materials are in English.

ABSTRACT: Clara Bryant Ford died at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit, Michigan on September 29, 1950 at age eighty-four. The series primarily contains material pertaining to the estate of Clara Ford following her death including documents accumulated earlier that had a bearing on the liquidation of the estate.

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, 1964
- RELATED MATERIAL:** Related material held by The Henry Ford:
This subseries forms part of the Estate Records subgroup, Henry Ford and Ford Family papers, which includes:
- Henry Ford Fair Lane Office series, Accessions 384 and 844
 - Office of Henry Ford and Clara Ford Estate series, Accession 587
 - Clara Ford Estate records series, Accession 588
 - Henry and Clara Ford Memorials subseries, Accession 1136
 - Edsel Ford Memoriam subseries, Accession 1390
- PREFERRED CITATION:** Item, folder, box, accession 290, Office of Clara Ford records series, Benson Ford Research Center, The Henry Ford
- PROCESSING INFORMATION:** Collection processed by Ford Motor Company Archives staff, January 1963
- DESCRIPTION INFORMATION:** Original collection inventory prepared by staff of the Ford Motor Company Archives, January 1963.
- Finding aid prepared by Brian Wilson, June 2011, and published in March 2012.
- Finding aid prepared using Describing Archives: A Content Standard (DACs) and local guidelines.

BIOGRAPHICAL/HISTORICAL NOTE

Henry Ford died at his home in Dearborn, Michigan on April 7, 1947 at age eighty-three; Clara Bryant Ford died at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit, Michigan on September 29, 1950 at age eighty-four.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The Office of Clara Ford records series is comprised of cancelled checks, disbursing vouchers, receipts, bank statements, and deposit slips.

SUBJECT TERMS

Names, Personal and Corporate

Ford, Clara Bryant, 1866-1950

Ford Motor Company. Estate of Clara J. Ford.

Subjects

Henry Ford Farms.

Genre and Form

Estate records.

Financial records.

Ledgers (account books)

CONTAINER LIST

Box no.	Description
	Disbursing vouchers
Box 1	Numbers 1-1,141, September 15, 1920 – December 14, 1932
Box 2	Numbers 1,145 - 1,917, December 30, 1932 – January 30, 1939
Box 3	Numbers 1,918 - 2,763, February 1, 1939 – May 29, 1947
Box 4	Numbers 2,769 - 3,110, June 3, 1947 – February 25, 1948
Box 5	Numbers 3,111 - 3,529, February 25, 1948 – December 30, 1948
Box 6	Numbers 3,530 - 3,878, January 4, 1949 – September 28, 1949
Box 7	Numbers 3,879 - 4,229, October 3, 1949 – July 31, 1950
Box 8	Numbers 4,230 - 4,286, August 2, 1950 – September 29, 1950 Miscellaneous vouchers, numbers 1 - 145, August 30, 1933 – September 12, 1947 Clara J. Ford Fund Vouchers and cancelled checks Bank statements Checkbook stubs Numbers 1 - 1,300, September 15, 1920 – February 15, 1947 (13 booklets)
Box 9	Numbers 1,301 – 2,732, February 15, 1947 – May 5, 1947 (15 booklets) Detroit Savings Bank National Bank of Commerce - Detroit Checks issued by Mrs. Ford personally, numbers 401 – 597, August 10, 1943 – January 13, 1950 (4 booklets)

Box 10

Disbursing vouchers - payments to Ford Motor Company
1947-1948

Box 11

1949-1950
Cancelled Checks

Box 12

Numbers 1,100 - 2,699, August 3, 1932 – January 9, 1947

Box 13

Numbers 2,700 - 4,287, January 9, 1947 – September 28, 1950 (drawn on
miscellaneous banks beginning August 30, 1933)

Box 14

Cancelled checks issued by Mrs. Ford personally, 1920-1949

Box 15

Bank statements, 1936-1950 (4 folders)
Deposit books, 1936-1950 (5 folders)

Box 16

Book of original entries, 1920-1950 (bound volume; includes cash received, check
register, journal)