

Title: J. Kornely Hardware Company Collection

Call Number: Mss-1972

Inclusive Dates: 1891 – 1975

Bulk: 0.4 cu. ft.

Location: CV, Sh. 017

Abstract: Jacob Kornely started a hardware store on May 1, 1891 at what was then 804 N. 3rd Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. His youngest son, Raymond C. Kornely, took over the business after the death of his father in 1933 and operated it under the address of 2308 N. 3rd Street until he sold the property to the National Hardware Company for warehouse space in 1975.

Scope and Content: The collection consists of business correspondence, contracts, agreements, invoices, clippings, advertisements, trade magazine, ledger, and personal items. The collection also contains material relating to other Milwaukee companies.

Access and Use: No restrictions

Language: English

Administrative Note: The collection was processed on April 7, 1993 by Steve Daily. The finding aid was retyped on September 27, 2011.

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Business Correspondence 1902-1941	1	1
Business Contracts and Agreements 1895-1908 <ul style="list-style-type: none">– Milwaukee Gas Light Co. (1895, 1900, 1904)– Milwaukee Electric Ry. and Lt. Co. (1907, 1908)	1	2
Business Contracts and Agreements 1894-1910 <ul style="list-style-type: none">– Chicago, Milw., and St. Paul Railway Co. (1894)– Craig-Reynolds Foundry Co. (1897)– Railway Equipment and Publishing Co. (1903)– R. G. Dun and Co. (1904)– Wisconsin Telephone Co. (1907)– National Cash Register Co. (1907)– Ogden-Farwell Garage- Auto Purchase (1910)	1	3
Kornely Hardware Co. Invoices 1895-1929	1	4
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Wm. Frankfurth Hardware Co. Invoices 1893-1896	1	6
Wm. Metz and Sons, Co. Invoices 1892-1897	1	7

[Wm. Metz was Jacob Kornely's father-in-law. File also includes a building permit issued in 1895 to a Mr. Lemberg and Mr. Wieser.]		
Canceled Checks 1899-1902	1	Envelope 8
Advertising <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 3 Blotters featuring Kornely's selection of stoves - 1 Business envelope (1907) - list of newspapers Kornely Hardware used for advertising - newspaper clippings of Kornely Hardware Co. ads (1926, 1941) - drawing of Kornely Hardware store front improvement 	1	9
Catalog 1892-American Screw Co. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Kornely Hardware ads pasted on inside covers 	1	10
Milwaukee Wood Preserving Co. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Correspondence (1903-1910) - Preservative flyer - one newspaper ad in English and two in German - one mailing envelope (1909) 	1	11
Wisconsin Retail Hardware Association <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Correspondence (1898-1908) - Retail Hardware Dealers pamphlet (1956) - Hardware trade magazine (1952) - 75 year certificate of hardware dealers membership J. Kornely Hardware Co. 	1	12
Hardware Dealers Mutual Fire Insurance Co. of Wis. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reports and statements (1905-1908) - Picture of plaque on Hardware Dealers Insurance building in Chicago listing Jacob Kornely as one of its officers and directors 	1	13
Ledgers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ledger of one (Henry?) Buelow 1893-1907 - ledger from Jan. 1898 to Dec. 1898 	1	14
Newspaper Clippings 1899, 1909-1975	1	15
Misc. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Personal letters and materials associated with Jacob and Raymond C. Kornely (1907-1967) - unidentified handwritten bits of 'wisdom'. 	1	16
PHOTOS: See M-130		