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- I. Title Scranton Papers, 1894-1962
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- VII. Biographical note: George H. Scranton, 1867--1962, was a business man and sole active member of the Scranton Company, which sold power hammers. He was also President of the Waltonian Club and the Connecticut Fish and Game Protective Association. Papers of these organizations are included in the collection.
- VIII. Analysis: The collection consists of 21 1/2 boxes [16 large and 1/2 half boxes] and 8 volumes [9 bundles]; 6 bundles are in oversize. For more information see Table of Content.

INDEX TO PAPERS OF THE  
SCRANTON COMPANY AND GEORGE SCRANTON

SERIES I PAPERS RELATING TO THE SCRANTON COMPANY

BOX 1

- VOLUME 1 Record of power hammer #1, indexed.  
VOLUME 2 Record of power hammer #2, indexed.

BOX 2

- VOLUME 3 Tools and patterns out, 1894-1910, indexed. Possible explanation of company's liquidation on page 55.

BOX 3

- VOLUME 4 Outward orders "a" , 1894-1934, indexed.

BOX 4 - Orders and Invoices

- Folder A: Specification required for setting up the Improved Upright Power Hammer (3 copies, 1 carbon copy); Blueprints for base of hammer, foundation plan, specifications and necessary elevation measurements for sizes A,B,C,D; Foundation plan for Scranton hammer.
- Folder B: Outside orders "D" 1918-1924. Carbon Copies, often items for Connecticut Fish and Game Protection Association or The Waltonian Club.
- Folder C: Outside orders "D" 1925-1929.
- Folder D: Outside orders "D" 1930-1957.
- Folder E: Invoice book "G" 1918-1929.
- Folder F: Invoice book "G" 1930-1960

BOX 5 - Checks and Accounts

- Folder A: Cancelled checks from Union and New Haven Trust Company #5001 - #5235, 1932 - 1933; Bank ledger for above checks; Account book for Union and New Haven Trust Company.
- Folder B: Cancelled checks from the National Tradesmens Bank and Trust Company #14300-15226, 1928-1932.
- Folder C: Cancelled checks from the Tradesmens National Bank #7200-#9542, 1946-1961; Note explaining where previous checks are stored; Two bank ledgers for account.
- Folder D: Two bank ledgers for account at the Tradesmens National Bank.
- Folder E: Conditions of accounts. Data on exceptional accounts held in abeyance or closed. September 1, 1899.

BOX 6 Miscellaneous correspondence and bills 1920-1955.

The following written by George H. Scranton on the front of "A" file:  
 "Selected few from January 1st, 1920 to January 1st, 1936 (many others destroyed or culled down.) Containing General Correspondence and Bills. Previous correspondence destroyed. Note: Items in this envelope are retained for possible reference and unimportant letters and bills, etc. have been culled out and destroyed as obsolete, to save room in files. G.H. Scranton."

- Folder A: Correspondence filed under "A", 1920-1935; "B", 1920-1935.
- Folder B: Correspondence filed under "C", 1920-1935, including contracts with E. A. Calder and Co.
- Folder C: Correspondence filed under "D,E, F,G,H,I,J" including mortgage deed for Walter S. Jones, "K,L,M" including papers relating to George H. Scranton vs. Maltby, Henley, and Co., Superior Court of New Haven County.
- Folder D: Correspondence filed under "N,O,P,Q,R,S," 1920-1935.
- Folder E: Correspondence filed under "T,U,V,W," 1920-1935.
- Folder F: Correspondence filed under "A,B,C," 1936-1955.
- Folder G: Correspondence filed under "D,E,F,G,H,I,J,K,L," 1936-1955, including Durham Storage Company papers relating to a fire on their premises on November 3rd, 1948.
- Folder H: Correspondence filed under "M,N,O,P,Q,R,S,T,U, V,W,Y," 1936-1955, including papers relating to the New Haven Tradesmens Bank.
- Folder I: Samples of office supplies and headed note paper.

BOX 7 Correspondence (1/2 box)

- Folder A: Trail balance sheets, 1963; Occasional trail balance sheets; Note from George Scranton about inventory, 1962; Key to symbols for account with Tradesmens National Bank.
- Folder B: Hammers made by Ingle Machine Co., Rochester; Hammers made by Coulter and McKenzie Machine Co.
- Folder C: Companies owning Power Hammers with dates of shipping, 1889-1915.
- Folder D: Materials and Costs of power hammers.
- Folder E: Contents of package used for selling power hammers by sales agent.
- Folder F: List of companies having hammers whose recommendation was not used in Circular #46, 1910.
- Folder G: Circulars for Scranton nail puller.
- Folder H: Circulars for "Anti-leak".
- Folder I: Special circulars for power hammer.
- Folder J: Circulars for power hammer.
- Folder K: Miscellaneous papers relating to sales. "Metal working machinery exports in 1925"; "Domestic exports of specified classes of metal-working machinery, from the United States, by countries, government statement, July 1922-December 1925.; Announcement from Scranton Company about Improved Upright Hammer, newspaper advertisements of Caldwell and Co.
- Folder L: Information pages from the Korfund Co., Inc., manufacturers of anti-vibration products; "Power hammer Equipment" from Ironage July 8th, 1915; Page 1 from a General Electric Company agreement; Price list of Scranton power hammers; Unused sheet

from record of Scranton Improved Upright Hammer; Unused sheets of order forms.

BOX 8 -Record of power hammers sold and delivered, indexed by state and country.

(1/2 box) [Indexed cards]

BOX 9 - (1/2 box)

VOLUME 5 Scrapbook containing letters of recommendation from companies using Scranton power hammers. Removed from binding. [3 folders]

BOX 10

VOLUME 6 Scrapbook containing letters of recommendation for Circular #46.

VOLUME 8 Scrapbook containing circulars on power hammers made by competitors up to 1910. Damaged by fire in Durham Storage Co.

BOX 11

VOLUME 7 Scrapbook containing circulars and data on power hammers and nail pullers. Damaged by fire in Durham Storage Co. locker. (Oversize).

BOX 12 - Enlarged Atlas and Shipper's Guide, published by Rand, McNally and Co., 1901. Removed to Library. [See also p.8 for material pertaining to S. Company added later.]

SERIES II PERSONAL PAPERS OF GEORGE SCRANTON, 1867-1962.

BOX 13 Correspondence with Susan Scranton, his sister, also called Mrs. C.H. Reeve, Mrs. S. B. Reeve, Mrs. Susie Scranton Reeve, "Buzz". Some letters of note are mentioned below.

Folder A: January 1st, 1931 - December 31st, 1932.

Letter December 18th, 1931, includes description of new Quinnipiack Club Headquarters, at 221 Church Street.

Folder B: January 1st, 1933 - December 31st, 1934.

Letter March 15th, 1933 gives description of earthquake in Los Angeles.

Folder C: January 1935- December 1936.

Copy of birth record of Susie B. Scranton.

Folder D: January 1937 - December 1939.

April 1938, mention of New Haven Tercentenary; November 1938, mention of storm damage in New Haven; September 1939, comments on World War II.

Folder E: January 1940 - December 1942.

June 1940, comments on World War II; November, comments on conscription. Letters during this period have comments

- Folder E - Cont'd :  
on war preparations, restrictions, petrol rationing  
and women's work.
- Folder F: January, 1943 - December, 1947.  
February, 1945 mentions geneology of Scranton family,  
August, 1945 records New Haven at end of World War II,  
May 1946, mentions quonset huts on Hillhouse property.
- Folder G: January 1948 - December 1949.  
Most letters mention Shubert Living Trust of Trust Agreement with  
First National Bank of Chicago.
- Folder H: January 1950 - December 1952.  
Most letters concern state of Caroline Shubert's health.  
Will of Susie Scranton Reeve, December 1952.

BOX 14 - (1/2 box) Correspondence, arranged alphabetically with  
important items noted.

- Folder A: January 1953 - December 1954.  
Caroline Shubert's death and information on her life,  
February, 1959; Income tax returns for Susie Scranton  
Reeve, 1953.
- Folder B: January 1955 - January 1956.
- Folder C: Index to correspondence with Susie Scranton Reeve, 1933-1956,  
compiled by George H. Scranton.
- Folder D: Personal Correspondence, M. Andrews, notes about her care.
- Folder E: Correspondence "A". J.E. Alexander 1951 - 1954.
- Folder F: Correspondence "A". Assoc. Ct. Health Insurance Booklet.
- Folder G: Correspondence "B".
- Folder H: Correspondence "C".

BOX 15 - Personal Correspondence

- Folder A: Correspondence "C". Chicago property.
- Folder B: Correspondence "C". Y.R. Coppens, 1958 - 1963.
- Folder C: Correspondence. First National Bank of Chicago, February  
1940 - December 1952.
- Folder D: Correspondence. First National Bank of Chicago, January  
1953 - November 1955.
- Folder E: First National Bank of Chicago. Re Marguerite Andrews 1960 -  
1963.
- Folder F: Correspondence "D", "E", "F", "G", "H", "I".
- Folder G: Correspondence "K". Will and death certificate of Marion  
Kurtz and John Lee Kurtz, 1931-1962.
- Folder H. Correspondence "M,N,O,P,Q".

BOX 16 - Personal Correspondence Continued

(1/2 box)

- Folder A: Correspondence "R,S".
- Folder B: Correspondence "S". Caroline Shubert concerning estate.
- Folder C: Correspondence "T,U".
- Folder D: Correspondence "V,W" & "Y".

BOX 17 Diaries (1/2 box)

Thirty volumes, covering period 1907 - 1962.

Box 18 Journal and Ledger of George S. Scranton (1/2 box)

BOX 19 - Memorabilia. Most of this material is newspaper clippings.

- Folder A: "Wisecracks".
- Folder B: "Wisecracks".
- Folder C: Medical remedies.
- Folder D: Gadgets and pamphlets
- Folder E: U.S. Flag; Flags.
- Folder F: Puzzles, tricks, and stunts.
- Folder G: Poison Ivy, plant poisons and antidotes.
- Folder H: Time
- Folder I: Cartoons.

BOX 19A - Memorabilia

- Folder A: Small sketches
- Folder B: Jokes, information on words.
- Folder C: Retirement; Fallout shelters, Redevelopment.
- Folder D: Hawaii, St. Lawrence Seaway.
- Folder E: Miscellaneous.
- Folder F: Miscellaneous clippings not connected with Correspondence  
A - Q.
- Folder G: Miscellaneous clippings not connected with Correspondence.

BOX 20 - Memorabilia

- Folder A: Poetry.
- Folder B: Greeting Cards.
- Folder C: Songs; election returns; Certificate of appointment to Quartermaster of Connecticut Home Guard.
- Folder D: "Mystery of the Blue Fish Call", original story.
- Folder E: City of New Haven Mayor's Message, 1890; "Blues-Foot Guards European Tour", 1926.
- Folder F: Second Company Governor's Foot Guards Souvenir History.
- Folder G: Travel brochures.
- Folder H: " "
- Folder I: Travel Maps.
- Folder J: Federal Wage and Hour Law, 1961; "Nuclear Science and Energy", information on Guiding Eyes for the Blind, Inc.; "Meet Citizen Atom - Your Partner in Progress"; "Maraging Steels", technical data on maraging steels.

BOX 21 Memorabilia. Unfiled Material.

(1/2 box)

"The fastest hound dog in the State of Maine"; "The Snow Goose";  
Key Record, hand written; "Things to do today", desk jotter;  
"Telephone Messages"; "Valuable papers" holder; National Wildlife  
Federation Stamps; Card "Ono I'm not going to shoot birds".

SERIES III PERSONAL PAPERS OF GEORGE SCRANTON, 1867 - 1962.

BOX 22 Scrapbook

BOX 22A Loose Material removed from scrapbook in box 22.

BOX 23 Miscellaneous (1/2 box)

Folder A: Inventory and Occupations 1959-1963.  
Folder B: Copy of wills made 1953, 1956, 1961; Various hand written notes.  
Folder C: Biography; Copy of birth certificate; List of articles in  
purse; List of Christmas Cards received and sent 1956 - 1961;  
List of relations giving age, date of death and location;  
List of Scrantons in Guilford cemetery; List of female  
relatives and their marital situation. Scranton Genealogy.  
Folder D: Cash book ; Bills receivable.  
Folder E: Two original drawings.  
Folder F: Notepaper and table mats from Quinnipiack Club.  
Folder G: Items from dinner of Quinnipiack Club.

BOX 24 Photographs

Folder A: Personal photographs.  
Folder B: " " " "  
Folder C: Trip to Central America, 1902 .  
Folder D: Indian Neck.  
Folder E: Family.  
Folder F: Photographs relating to Scranton Company.  
Folder G: Waltonian Club.  
Folder H: Quinnipiack Club.

BOX 25 Photographs (1/2 box)

Folder A: New Haven.  
Folder B: Photographs relating to correspondence.  
Folder C: Miscellaneous.  
Folder D: Negatives.

BOX 25 A

VOLUME 11 Photograph album (oversize).

SERIES IV PAPERS OF WALTONIAN CLUB, GEORGE SCRANTON, PRESIDENT

BOX 26 Miscellaneous

- Folder A: Minutes of Meetings and Records of Waltonian Club, 1870-1956.
- Folder B: Loose papers in front of Volume 12.
- Folder C: Waltonian Club Stock Certificates Book.
- Folder D: Waltonian Club Ledger: Journal #2 1930-1949.
- Folder E: Waltonian Club Ledger: 1930-1957.
- Folder F: Waltonian Club Ledger: Index, 1930 - 1957.

Box 27 Contents of Correspondence File, arranged alphabetically

- Folder A: Correspondence "A,B."
- Folder B: Correspondence "C".
- Folder C: Correspondence "D-V".
- Folder D: Correspondence "W". Waltonian Club Reports.
- Folder E: Cancelled Checks 1934-1941; Savings Account books.
- Folder F: Cancelled Checks 1941-1942.
- Folder G: Copy of lease of Twin Ponds, 1893; Topographic map of Twin Ponds.
- Folder H: Legal papers of Waltonian Club 1870-1910.
- Folder I: Legal papers of Waltonian Club 1911 - 1942.
- Folder J: Legal papers relating to Waltonian Club, lease of Farm River.
- Folder K: Waltonian Club Membership Certificates; Non-member tickets; Charters and By-Laws; Excerpts from agreement for Insurance of Capital Stock of Waltonian Club of New Haven.

BOX 27A Waltonian Club; map of New Haven; map of Farm River.

SERIES V PAPERS RELATING TO THE CONNECTICUT FISH AND GAME PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION.  
GEORGE SCRANTON, PRESIDENT.

BOX 28 Correspondence files; membership; state regulations.

- Folder A: Correspondence filed under "A" - "C"; Act. of Incorp., 1909.
- Folder B: Correspondence filed under "D" - "L".
- Folder C: Correspondence filed under "M" - "Z".
- Folder D: Membership lists, 1927 - 1949, arranged by county.
- Folder E: List of Connecticut gun and fish clubs; Membership lists for above clubs, Government pamphlet entitled



BOX 28 - Cont'd

- Folder E - Cont'd: "Officials and Organizations concerned with Wildlife Protection" 1933 and 1950.
- Folder F: Membership application forms; Membership cards; By-Laws of Association, 5 corrected copies, several uncorrected; Account book of Association's account with the Tradesmens National Bank; Check book; Check to close account; Statement of Account; Returned check slip; Deposit slips; List of Officers of Association, 1925-1938, 1948; Membership dues receipt book; Membership dues received 1956 - 1958; Items for annual meeting, 1936.
- Folder G: Treasurer's Reports 1958-1961.
- Folder H: State government pamphlets "Connecticut Fish and Game Laws", "Hunting, Trapping and Sport Fishing", "Abstract of Laws and Regulations", 1957-8, 3 copies, 1958-9, 3 copies, 1961-66, 2 copies: Federal Government pamphlets: "Migratory Birds Regulations, 1961-2" 2 copies, "Regulations relating to Migratory Birds and certain Game Mammals", 1944 (5 copies); Map, "State-owned Public Access to Fishing Waters"; Map "Where to go for Trout, 1959 Fishing Season".
- Folder I: State government pamphlet "The program for the Connecticut State Board of Fisheries and Game, 1957", "Report of State Board of Fisheries and Game". ; Blank forms for reporting Game killed.
- Folder J: Cash Book - Receipts and Deposits in Bank 1915 - 1961.

BOX 29 Miscellaneous newspaper clippings, informational pamphlets

- Folder A: National Wildlife Federation Pamphlets
- Folder B: Miscellaneous pamphlets "Principles of Game Management"; "Clean Water, a Challenge to the Nation"; "National Forest Wildlife"; "Prepare for your outdoor career in Forestry, Soil Conservation, Wildlife Conservation"; "Some plain talk about the Bobwhite Quail"; "Bobwhite Quail News".
- Folder C: Life. December 22, 1961, special issue on the "Splendid Outdoors"; "A dozen Amazing tourists" by Edwin Way Teale; "The Connecticut Way of Life", advertising supplement to The New York Times; Upland Game Birds, Holiday 1948.
- Folder D: Newspaper clippings.
- Folder E: Small, one page pamphlets on various subjects pertaining to Game and Fishing.
- Folder F: Package of five membership badges.

BOX 30 Ledgers (1/2 box)

- Folder A: Minutes and Records of the Connecticut Fish and Game Protective Association 1909-1916.
- Folder B: Proceedings of the Lockwood Conference, 1962.
- Folder C: Scranton Company - Jobs: Orders & Expenses. [See page one of Table of contents.]

Box 31A Journal and Ledger C. (removed from binding)

Box 31B Journal and Ledger C (second half Labeled "Obsolete".)

Box 32 - Inventory of Storage.

OBJECTS ORIGINALLY WITH THE SCRANTON PAPERS, PLACED WITH THE CURATORIAL DEPARTMENT WHEN THE PAPERS WERE PROCESSED, JANUARY 1976.

1. Scranton nail puller.
2. Name plate . . . ."The Scranton Company".
3. Rubber stamp . . . ."The Scranton Company".
4. Rubber stamp . . . ."For the hammer record".
5. "Multipost" stamp applicator .
6. Stamp of Scranton Company.
7. Name plate for Hammer (2)
8. Electrolyte plates (7) of Scranton Hammer.
9. Framed photograph of Scranton Hammer.
10. Engraved plate of Waltonian Club Membership Card.
11. Badges for "Guardians" of fishing rights.
12. Hole punch.

Removed to Library - Enlarged Atlas and Shippers Guide , published by Rand , McNally and Co., 1901.