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Consolidated Car Heating Company Archive
1889 to ???
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History
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Consolidated Car-Heating Company was formed by the merger of two companies, McElroy Car Heating Company, Albany, NY and Sewall Safety Car Heating Company, Portland, Maine. CCHC was incorporated in the State of West Virginia on June 24, 1889.

The Company was organized to do general railway heating business including the manufacture of steam heating apparatus, appliances for lighting and ventilating railroad cars and steam boats, pneumatic door controls, switch panels and the operation of brakes on railroad trains by the use of electricity.

A more extensive list included electric heaters, blower heaters, thermostatic control, safety switch panels, electric and pneumatic door operating equipment, automatic treadles and sensitive door edges for street cars and busses. Also produced were ball tooth universal joints, which are used for remote control of valves and ventilating equipment used on ships.

Original stockholders of CCHC included James Roosevelt, father of Franklin D. Roosevelt, and James Fenimore Cooper, grandson of James Fenimore Cooper, author of Last of the Mohicans. In 1902, some of Mr. Roosevelt’s stock was transferred to Franklin D. Roosevelt.

In 1890, George Westinghouse, the famous US inventor, sold his Standard Car Heating & Ventilating Company, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, to CCHC for $400,000 in CCHC stock. He joined the Board of Directors and remained Director until 1910.

In 1910, there were about 250 steam railroad and 730 electric railway companies operating in North America. In 1911, the sales of CCHC were about $325,000.

The original CCHC facility was constructed on Pearl Street in 1893 at a cost of $25,000. In 1906, a second building was erected and in 1914 a third building was constructed. The combined buildings had approximately 75,000 square feet of space.

In 1917, CCHC had a contract with the US government to manufacture 300,000 shell casings at a price of $3.85 each.

The number of peacetime employees in 1941 was 164, while the number required for work for WW II reached a maximum of 372 in March 1945.

The company took up Ordinance work in order to contribute toward the war effort and also to utilize its facilities, which were not being used to capacity on regular production due to wartime materials restrictions.

CCHC ultimately exited the transportation business in 1958. In the 21st century, the company is known as CMP Industries and manufactures dental laboratory materials and equipment.
Scope and Content Note

The materials in this collection were donated to AIHA by William Regan, President of CMP Industries LLC in April 2004 upon the request of Matthew Bender, AIHA benefactor. The files have been cleaned and roughly organized in the seven Series indicated.

Series I consists of seven boxes of 556 original patent files from the US government. These files include original drawings, specifications, patent description, patent number and serial number as well as the name of the inventor and assignment materials to CCHC. John McElroy was one of the prolific inventors. Patents also were secured in 20 foreign countries, including some which no longer exist such as Natal, Austro-Hungry, Transvaal and Orange State Colony.

Series II includes original financial records including ledgers and journals from the earliest dates of the McElroy Car Heating and the Sewall Safety Car Heating Companies. There are about 16 boxes of financial records. There are interesting examples of how financial records were kept in the early 20th century. Tax returns are included as well as extensive files having to do with the manufacture of artillery shells for the Eddystone Arsenal.

Series III includes original stockholder records from 1889. They include the names of famous stockholders mentioned in the history as well as local Capital District residents who owned stock in CCHC. There are approximately two boxes of these records.

Series IV are corporate records including 37 years of records from 1889 to 1927. Original incorporators included Daniel Sewall, James McElroy, William Gorham Rice and Andrew N. Brady. There are two boxes of these records.

Series V includes legal files. Among these are appraisals and maps of the property.

Finally, Series VI is miscellaneous files, things that didn’t fit anywhere else. There are historical photographs, scrapbooks, catalogs, and cipher or codebooks.
Box Content Listing

Series I  
I. Patent Files

Contain a photocopy of the original envelope (too dirty to retain), patent, assignment, and any other materials.
Patent contains drawing and specifications.
Envelope contains CCHC control number, inventor, invention, patent date from circa 1989, patent number, serial number.

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- Austro-Hungary
- Italy
- Orange State Colony
- Belgium
- Japan
- Queens land & Australia
- Canada
- Mexico
- Rhodesia
- Cape Colony
- Natal
- Russia
- England/Great Britain
- New South Wales
- Sweden
- France
- New Zealand
- Transvaal

Total files: 556

Also listing of “National Pneumatic Company Patents”.

Also Patents Pending, Applications by National Pneumatic and Canadian patents

Oversize Box 7: France 6 files
Canada 1 file
Italy 1 file
Belgium 1 file

II. Series II  
Financial Records

Box 8 A. Complete Accounting Records for the Year: Cash Collection
1914-1916 Check Register
1916-1918 Bank Statement

Box 9 1918-1920 Voucher Register
1920-1922 Journal Register

Box 10 1922-1924 Balance Sheet
1924-1926 Sales Analysis

Box 11 1926-1928 Profit Analysis
There are also financial statements contained in Corporate Minutes from earlier periods. Also see Box labeled “Financial”

1. McElroy Car Heating Company (A)  
   June 1, 1889 – May 31, 1893 (Transferred to A2)  (4 years) 
2. Consolidated Car Heating Company (A2)  
   June 1, 1893 – May 31, 1897 (Transferred to A3)  (4 years) 
3. CCHC  
   June 1, 1987 – May 31, 1901  (4 Years) 

5. June 1, 1905 – July 31, 1907  (2+ Years) 
6. June 1, 1907 – May 1913  (6 years) 
7. June, July, August 1907 – very few entries 
8. 1912 – 1913 

10. Loose Leaf  
   June 1, 1914 – Nov. 1935 (?) 
11. 1934 – 1942  Incomplete 
12. 1905-1914  Not complete 

1. Sewall Car Heating Company (A)  1888-1889  Predecessor to CCHC 
2. Consolidated Car Heating Company (A)  June 1, 1889 – Nov. 1895 

4. CCHC “Cash Book”  
   April 1912 – May 1914 
5. General Journal – CCHC June 1, 1889 
6. 1889, 1914  Box 205 
7. Trial Balance Books  1930 – 1939 


Trial Balance of Accounts Receivable – 1933 – 1934
Trial Balance of Accounts Receivable – 1931 – 1932

Expense Journal
1. June 1913 – May 1914
2. Feb. 1912 – June 1913

Box 19 Accounts Receivable
1. 1919+
2. 1924+

Box 20
3. 1934 – 1942
4. 1943 – 1949

Box 21-Payroll 1921 –

Box 22 ???

Box 23 Audits

III. Box 24 Stockholder Records
Dividend Listing – Sewall Safety Car Heating Company
Dividend #1 Jan 23, 1888 to Dividend #6 April 27, 1889

Consolidated Car Heating Company Stock Journal
Listing of Certificates and Transfers July 18, 1889 to June 6, 1906

CCHC Stock ledger with index July 18, 1889 to 1906

Dividend Ledger 1908 – 1930s Holding to zero shares
Dividend Ledger 1908 – 1915 Same Period, some active, some zero

Fractional Stock Interest Certificates
1. August 12, 1889 – May 9, 1892 Some unused
2. September 1, 1893 to October 16, 1913
3. February 24, 1917 Only one used

Interest Scrip Certificates 8/1889 – 5/1892 (1-141)
9/1893 – 10/1913 (501-627)

Box 25 Stock Transfer Receipt Books
1. July 18, 1889 – January 3, 1890
2. January 21, 1890 – July 1, 1892
3. July 1, 1892 – June 9, 1897 GAP
4. February 3, 1911 – March 22, 1920
5. March 26, 1920 – October 19, 1926 GAP
6. June 1, 1927 – April 4, 1928
7. April 24, 1928 – July 8, 1938
IV. Box 26 **Corporate Records**

Consolidated Car Heating Company Stockholders Meetings Minute Book  
June 15, 1889 – May 16, 1927  
Original incorporators:  
Robert Pruyn  
Alfrederick Hatch  
Daniel Sewall  
James F. McElroy  
William G. Rice  
Anthony N. Brady

CCHC Corporation Minute Book  
Jan 19, 1920 – May 16, 1927

Listing of Patent Assignors, from Inventor to Corporation  
June 30, 1894 – Feb. 5, 1969  
75 Years!!

Executive Committee Meeting Minute Book  
June 6, 1892 – August 10, 1895

Minute Book CCHC  
June 13, 19410 – Sept. 15, 1919

Minute Book Board of Directors  
July 18, 1889 – May 9, 1910.

Deeds, Title Abstracts

**Box 27 Legal Records**

Boxes 28 & 29 Financial Files  
Financial Statements – 1910-1913, 1915-1917  
Tax Returns – 1918-1930  
1894 Order Book, McElroy Car Heating Company

Box 30 Eddystone Arsenal Files

Box 31 Stockholder Record Books

Box 32 Corporate Record Books

Box 33 Miscellaneous Legal Files

**Box 34 Miscellaneous Files**

Photographs, James Fennimore Cooper Genealogy, Scrapbook 1913+ regarding WW I taxes, Cipher codebook 1910, Catalogs 1900+, Historic Scrapbooks