

McLean County Museum of History

Iseminger Ford Collection

Collection Information

VOLUME OF COLLECTION:	1 Box
COLLECTION DATES:	1909-1980, primarily 1913-1916
RESTRICTIONS:	None
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ALTERNATIVE FORMATS:	None
OTHER FINDING AIDS:	None
LOCATION:	Archives
NOTES:	

Brief History

Floyd Iseminger (1879-1980) was born and lived his entire life in Bloomington. He quit high school out of lack of interest in what they were teaching. He soon worked as a bicycle and automobile repairman. An auto repair customer, banker Adolph Wochner of the German American Bank, encouraged Iseminger to open a car dealership and offered to provide financing. So, in 1905, Iseminger opened the first Ford auto dealership in McLean County at 204 E Front Street in Bloomington. In 1915, company politics led to him losing his Ford dealership contract. He then sold Hupmobiles until 1919.

Scope

The collection includes newspaper articles, manuals, invoices and correspondence from both Ford Motor and Hupp Motor, etc.

Folder 1: Newspaper clippings

- 1.1 "Early cars, men who built them recalled by pioneer area dealer,"
Pantagraph, February 11, 1973
- 1.2 Floyd Iseminger dies at 101, Pantagraph, unknown date.

Folder 2: Manuals and registration

- 2.1 Motor Vehicle rules Louis L. Emmerson, Secretary of State,
undated pamphlet
- 2.2 Automobile Certificate for Ford 1916 Touring Car for E.F.
Degnan, Chenoa, IL, 1916
- 2.3 Illinois Motor Vehicle Certificate of Registration for E.F. Degnan
Chenoa, IL, 1921
- 2.4 Safety-First Laws of the Road issued by Louis L. Emmerson, ca.
1920
- 2.5 Schedule of Fees, Lewis G. Stevenson, Secretary of State,
Automobile Department, Springfield IL,
- 2.6 Notary Public statement for Emily Iseminger, October 20, 1931
- 2.7 Envelope from Ford Motor Company, Chicago IL to Mr. Ed
Degman, Chenoa IL, postmarked June 24, 1916
- 2.8 State of Illinois Automobile Law in force July 1, 1909, pamphlet
compliments of James A. Rose
- 2.9 Care of the Car: Simple facts for the average automobile owner,
for distribution through the Newspapers, Represented by Frederic
J. Haskin, Director of the Haskin Information Bureau

Folder 3: Letterhead

- 3.1 Three sheets of F.G. Iseminger letterhead. Some faded writing on
each paper, one with pencil markings. Letterhead: F.G. Iseminger
The Home of the Famous Ford Motor Cars Accessories, Supplies,
& Repairs Bloomington, IL

Folder 4: Invoices 1913

- 4.1 39 invoices from the Ford Motor Company Chicago Branch dated
1913

Folder 5: Invoices 1914 I

- 5.1 37 invoices to F.G. Iseminger from the Ford Motor
Company Chicago Branch dated 1914

Folder 6: Invoices 1914 II

- 6.1 Invoices from Ford Motor Company to F.G. Iseminger dated 1914
(98 items)

Folder 7: Customer Receipts

- 7.1 Customer receipts dated 1916-1917 for F.G. Iseminger, the Ford
Man (5 items)

- 7.2 Sub-Limited Agency Contract (3 items)
- 7.3 1915 Retail Buyer's Order & Agreement 1916 from Ford Motor Company
- 7.4 Receipt dated March 1, 1918 in account with F.G. Iseminger

Folder 8: Credit Memorandum

- 8.1 51 Credit Memorandum dated 1913 and 1914, credited to F.G. Iseminger from the Ford Motor Company Chicago, IL

Folder 9: Ford Paperwork

- 9.1 Acknowledgment of Order Form Ford Motor Company Detroit dated 1914 (18 items)
- 9.2 Debit Memorandum to F.G. Iseminger from Ford Motor Company Chicago, ILL dated September 30, 1914
- 9.3 Requisition or Order forms from Ford Motor Company to F.G. Iseminger dated 1914 (5 items)
- 9.4 Receipt for shipping on Lake Erie and Western R.R. Co. 1914
- 9.5 List of parts returned to Ford Motor Company

Folder 10: Correspondence with Ford Motor Company

- 10.2 Correspondence from Ford Motor Company Wholesale Department to F.G. Iseminger dated October 16, 1913, two debit memorandum, and one handwritten note
- 10.3 Correspondence to F.G. Iseminger dated October 15, 1913 from Ford Motor Company Accounting Department, Freight Bill from the Chicago & Alton Railroad Co., and correspondence from Agent (railroad) to F.G. Iseminger, dated November 23, 1913
- 10.4 Correspondence from Ford Motor Company Assistant Manager to F.G. Iseminger dated February 24, 1914, correspondence to F.G. Iseminger from Ford Motor Company Sales Department dated February 16, 1914, and correspondence to F.G. Iseminger from Ford Motor Company Wholesale Manager dated February 13, 1914
- 10.5 Western Union Telegram from Ford Motor Company to F.G. Iseminger dated February 10
- 10.6 Correspondence to F.G. Iseminger from Ford Motor Company Accounting Department Chicago Branch dated February 3, 1915
- 10.7 Correspondence to F.G. Iseminger from Ford Motor Company dated September, 2, 1919
- 10.8 Correspondence from Ford Motor Company dated October 8, 1913

Folder 11: Miscellaneous Correspondence

- 11.1 Parts order from the E.B. Collins Co. Champaign, IL for Floyd
- 11.2 Correspondence from --nce Motor Co. Peoria, IL to F.G. Iseminger dated October 23, 1916
- 11.3 Correspondence from R.C. Wells Mfg. Co. Fond du Lac,

- Wisconsin to F.G. Iseminger, undated
11.4 Correspondence to Floyd Iseminger dated July 5, 1940

Folder 12: Hupp Motor Car Corporation

- 12.1 Blank Purchaser's Agreement for a Hupmobile (2 items)
- 12.2 Bill of Lading from Hupp Motor Car Corp. to F. G. Iseminger dated April 10, 1916
- 12.3 Bill of Lading from Hupp Motor Car Corp to F.G. Iseminger dated August 3, 1916
- 12.4 Dealer's Car Order, dated October 12, 1915 from Hupp Motor Car Company, Detroit, MI to F.G. Iseminger Bloomington, IL
- 12.5 Dealer's Car Order dated December 7, 1915 from Hupp Motor Car Company, Detroit, MI to F.G. Iseminger Bloomington, IL
- 12.6 Statement for F.G. Iseminger from Hupp Motor Car Co. dated October 1915 through June 1916 (9 items)
- 12.7 Hupp Motor Car Company Service Representative Contract
- 12.8 Hupp Motor Car Company, Detroit, MI Customer's Invoice dated from 1915-1916 (12 items)
- 12.9 Correspondence from J. Allen (Accountant for Hupp Motor Car Corporation to F. B. Iseminger, November 9, 1916
- 12.10 Correspondence from Cashier of Hupp Motor Car Company to F. G. Iseminger, April 6, 1916
- 12.11 Correspondence from J.H. Allen to F.G. Iseminger, June 15, 1916
- 12.12 Correspondence from Service Department Claim Division of Hupp Motor Car Corporation to J.E. Johnson Bloomington, IL (customer of F.G. Iseminger) dated September 9, 1916
- 12.13 Packing Slip, dated 1915-1916 (6 items)
- 12.14 Acknowledgment Slips dated 1916 (7 items)
- 12.15 Miscellaneous form dated 1916 (5 items)
- 12.16 Hupp Motor Car Corporation Service Department Credit Memorandum, dated November 6, 1916
- 12.17 Business card for C.H. Wallerich, District Manager of Hupp Motor Car Co.
- 12.18 Postcard to F.G. Iseminger from Hupp Motor Car Company, dated February 14, 1916

Folder 13: Hupp Invoices 1915-1916

- 13.1 Photocopy of car models with some handwritten notes
- 13.2 Photocopy and brief description of car models with some handwritten notes
- 13.3 59 Customer invoices from Hupp Motor Car Company, Detroit MI to F.G. Iseminger, dated 1915 and 1916