

The University of Maine

DigitalCommons@UMaine

Finding Aids

Special Collections

2015

Sherman Lumber Company Records, 1875-1955

Special Collections, Raymond H. Fogler Library, University of Maine

Follow this and additional works at: <https://digitalcommons.library.umaine.edu/findingaids>



Part of the [History Commons](#)

Recommended Citation

Special Collections, Raymond H. Fogler Library, University of Maine, "Sherman Lumber Company Records, 1875-1955" (2015). *Finding Aids*. Number 70.

<https://digitalcommons.library.umaine.edu/findingaids/70>

This Finding Aid is brought to you for free and open access by the Special Collections at DigitalCommons@UMaine. It has been accepted for inclusion in Finding Aids by an authorized administrator of DigitalCommons@UMaine. For more information, please contact Special Collections, Fogler Library, 207-581-1686 or um.library.spc@maine.edu.



ArchivesSpace
a community served by ✦ LYRASIS

Sherman Lumber Company Records

This finding aid was produced using ArchivesSpace on March 10, 2020.

Finding aid written in English.

Describing Archives: A Content Standard

Raymond H. Fogler Library Special Collections

5729 Raymond H. Fogler Library

University of Maine

Orono, ME 04469-5729

URL: <http://www.library.umaine.edu/speccoll>

Table of Contents

Summary Information	3
Historical Note	3
Scope and Contents	4
Conservation Note	4
Administrative Information	4
Controlled Access Headings	5
Collection Inventory	5
Contents of Boxes	5

Summary Information

Repository:	Raymond H. Fogler Library Special Collections
Creator:	Sherman Lumber Company (Sherman, Me.)
Title:	Sherman Lumber Company Records
ID:	SpC MS 0463
Date [inclusive]:	1875-1955
Date [bulk]:	1901-1932 (bulk)
Physical Description:	2.8 cubic feet (4 boxes)
Language of the Material:	English
Abstract:	Records related to operations of the Sherman Lumber Company, founded in 1894 and located in Sherman Station, Maine. The records are arranged according to the following functions: administrative and organizational, financial, production, sales, and labor.

Preferred Citation

Sherman Lumber Company Records, SpC MS 0463, [Box No.], [Folder No.], Raymond H. Fogler Library Special Collections Department, University of Maine, Orono, Maine

[^ Return to Table of Contents](#)

Historical Note

The Sherman Lumber Company was founded in 1894 by Frank L. Robinson. Located in Sherman Station, Maine, it was for a time the oldest independently owned and continuously operated sawmill in the state. It began as a producer of sawn lumber only; in 1911 it began to manufacture hardwood flooring and later produced hardwood panels for the furniture industry. In 1967 the first chipper was installed to supply round wood chips to the pulp and paper industry.

The company closed in the late 1990s.

[^ Return to Table of Contents](#)

Scope and Contents

This small collection contains records that provide insight into all operations of the Sherman Lumber Company. The records are arranged according to the following functions: administrative and organizational, financial, production, sales, and labor.

The company account registers, 1930 and 1932, contain sections giving financial information about customer accounts, information about business expenses of Sherman Lumber itself, and information about types and amounts of wood supplied to Sherman. These are followed by invoices, 1909-1915, for equipment, groceries, hardware, etc., purchased by Sherman. A ledger lists orders to Sherman from F.E. Blodgett Lumber, Suncook, New Hampshire, listed on its letterhead as a shipper of slabs, edgings, baled shavings and dry pine sawdust; and from Edwin H. Buzzell, a wholesale lumber dealer in Boston. General order books, 1926-1935 and 1941-1955, a sales register and a weekly time book complete the collection.

[^ Return to Table of Contents](#)

Conservation Note

The collection has been re-housed in acid-free folders and boxes. Documents have been surface cleaned as needed and metal fasteners removed.

[^ Return to Table of Contents](#)

Administrative Information

Publication Statement

Raymond H. Fogler Library Special Collections

5729 Raymond H. Fogler Library

University of Maine

Orono, ME 04469-5729

URL: <http://www.library.umaine.edu/speccoll>

Restrictions on Access

Kept at Fogler Library's offsite storage facility. One week's notice required for retrieval.

Use Restrictions

Information on literary rights available in the Library.

[^ Return to Table of Contents](#)

Controlled Access Headings

- Lumber trade -- Maine
- Sawmills -- Maine -- Sherman Station
- Sherman Station (Me.)
- Ledgers (Account books)
- Invoices
- Account books
- Financial records
- Robinson, Frank L.

Collection Inventory

Contents of Boxes

Title/Description	Instances	
Correspondence, outgoing, 1899-1908 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 1	Folder 1
Ledger, 1903-1904 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 1	Folder 2
Loose material from ledger, 1903-1904 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 1	Folder 3
Ledger, 1901-1905 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 1	Folder 4
Ledger, 1925-1926	Box 1	Folder 5

Sherman Lumber Company Records

<u>Language of the Material:</u> English.		
Company account register, A-W, 1930 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 2	Folder 1-3
Company account register, #1-90, 1930 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 2	Folder 4-5
Company account register, #1-76, 1930 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 2	Folder 6
Company account register, A-W, 1930 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 3	Folder 1
Company account register, A-Y, 1932 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 3	Folder 2-4
Company account register, #1-103, #1-80, 1932 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 3	Folder 5-6
Company account register, A-W, 1932 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 4	Folder 1
Walter Robinson invoice and sales book, Pittsfield, Me., 1875 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 4	Folder 2
Invoices to Sherman Lumber Co. (located in Box 5), 1909-1912 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 4	Folder 3-4
Invoices to Sherman Lumber Co. (located in Box 6), 1912-1915 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 4	Folder 5
F.E. Blodgett orders; Edwin H. Buzzell order (located in Box 6), 1908-1910 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 4	Folder 6
Order book, 1926-1955 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 4	Folder 8-9
Sales register, 1931-1941 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 4	Folder 10
Weekly time book, 1926 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 4	Folder 11

[^ Return to Table of Contents](#)