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Summary Information

Repository:	Michigan State University Archives and Historical Collections
Creator:	Olds, Ransom Eli, 1864-1950
Title:	Ransom E. Olds papers
ID:	00027
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Biographical Note

Ransom E. Olds (June 3, 1864-August 26, 1950) was a pioneer in mass production in the automobile industry. Born in Ohio, his family moved to Lansing when Olds was 16. His father, Pliny F. Olds, established a foundry and machine shop in which Olds bought a part interest in 1885. During the 1880s Olds devoted many hours to perfecting a lightweight internal combustion vehicle. By 1893, Olds filled the first order for his car, and in 1897 formed the Olds Motor Vehicle Company in Lansing. The company was incorporated in 1899 with a working capital of \$150,000. The company built a plant in Detroit and began producing a car built to sell for \$1250. Because the car was relatively large and sold at a price beyond the average person's financial means, the business was not generally a success. A fire at the Detroit Olds plant destroyed all the blueprints for the cars, and the only car left in one piece was the now famous curved-dash Olds, which sold for \$650. The company returned to Lansing and produced the curved-dash car exclusively. In the first year of production, 450 cars were produced and sold. By 1902, 4000 were sold.

In 1904, Olds sold out his stock in the Olds Motor Company and organized REO Motor Car Company. He was President and General Manager from 1905 to 1924, at which time Olds retired from an active part in REO. He was chairman of the board from 1924 to 1936.

During the later years of his life, Olds built financial security for his family and himself in stocks, bonds and real estate. Olds was also a philanthropist, donating to a wide variety of social and moral reform societies.

A businessman of widely varied interests, R.E. Olds assumed a managerial involvement in automobile manufacture, peat mining, 27 industries, and real estate, and invested in a number of other areas. The bulk of this collection is related to these investments.

The Bancroft Peat Company was established near the Michigan town of this name to produce a cheap fuel. High costs and failure to develop a market destroyed this enterprise.

The peat land was converted to peppermint production. When this venture also proved unprofitable, it was sold.

Olds' other great business failure was his investment in the Fearnot Mining Company, which operated a gold mine near Victorville, California. The correspondence on the operation is very complete, and begins on a note of extreme optimism. Olds eventually became disenchanted with the venture and ran an independent mine assay which showed that the mine could never be a paying proposition. He subsequently sold his investment at what must have been a substantial loss.

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Scope and Content

The Ransom E. Olds papers are divided into two sections. The first section consists of Olds' personal papers. Included in this section are Olds' love letters to Metta Woodward (June 6, 1864-September 2, 1950), whom Olds married in 1899, Olds' philanthropic activities, his daybooks and two journals of the Olds family trip to Europe.

The second section deals with Olds' business activities from 1904 to 1947. Included are correspondence series of Olds Motor Works and REO and several small companies that Olds either owned or was the major stockholder. There is also a correspondence series between Olds and various stockbrokers and bankers who wished to interest Olds in an investment plan.

The correspondence on "Chicago Property" relates to a large apartment building that Olds owned. In 1916, this property plus securities and \$200,000 was exchanged for a large tract of land in Hillsborough and Pinellas Counties, Florida, which was ultimately developed into "Reolds Farms". Olds attempted in April-May of 1917 to interest the Defense Department in establishing a shipyard there to construct a "wooden fleet".

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Controlled Access Headings

- Automobile industry and trade
- Automobiles -- Design and construction
- Automobiles -- History
- Europe -- Description and travel
- Lansing (Mich.)
- Commercial correspondence

- Daybooks
- Diaries
- Ledgers (account books)
- Letters (correspondence)
- Microfilms
- Photographs
- Postcards
- Scrapbooks
- Olds Motor Works
- Reo Motor Car Company
- Anderson, Gladys Olds

Collection Inventory

Personal Papers, 1884-1948

Scope and Contents note

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Correspondence	box 1	
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1889-April 1904	box 1	folder 2
May-December 1904	box 1	folder 3
1905-1908	box 1	folder 4
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1909-July 1910	box 1	folder 6
July 8-December 1910	box 1	folder 7
1911	box 1	folder 8
January-May 1912	box 1	folder 9
June-September 1912	box 1	folder 10
October 1912	box 1	folder 11
November 1912	box 1	folder 12
December 1912	box 1	folder 13
January 1913	box 1	folder 14
February-March 1913	box 1	folder 15
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October 1913	box 1	folder 19
November 1913	box 1	folder 20
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box 2

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Copy 2 - Ch. XIII	box 3	folder 14
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September-October 1904	box 4	folder 4

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1903	box 5	folder 6
1904	box 5	folder 7
1904	box 5	folder 8
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Sales Brochures, circa 1900-1902	box 5	folder 10
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1903-1904	box 5	folder 11
1906-1907	box 5	folder 12
Parts Price List, undated	box 5	folder 13
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January-March 1907	box 7	folder 15
July-December 1906	box 7	folder 14
January-March	box 7	folder 15
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1908	box 7	folder 17
1909	box 7	folder 18
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March 1907	box 8	folder 3
April 1907	box 8	folder 4
May 1907	box 8	folder 5

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January-February 1904	box 10	folder 1
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April 1-13, 1904	box 10	folder 3
April 14-24, 1904	box 10	folder 4
April 25-30, 1904	box 10	folder 5
May 1-13, 1904	box 10	folder 6
May 14-18, 1904	box 10	folder 7
May 19-13, 1904	box 10	folder 8
June 1-10, 1904	box 10	folder 9
June 11-20, 1904	box 10	folder 10
June 21-30, 1904	box 10	folder 11
July 1-7, 1904	box 10	folder 12
July 8-19, 1904	box 10	folder 13
July 20-31, 1904	box 10	folder 14
August 1904	box 10	folder 15
September 1-18, 1904	box 10	folder 16
September 19-30, 1904	box 10	folder 17
October 1-21, 1904	box 10	folder 18
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January 1905	box 11	folder 2
February-April 1905	box 11	folder 3
May-September 1905	box 11	folder 4
October 1905	box 11	folder 5
November 1905	box 11	folder 6
December 1905	box 11	folder 7
January 1906	box 11	folder 8
February-March 1906	box 11	folder 9
April 1906	box 11	folder 10
May-June 1906	box 11	folder 11
July-September 1906	box 11	folder 12
October 1906	box 11	folder 13
November 1906	box 11	folder 14
December 1906	box 11	folder 15
January 1907	box 11	folder 16
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May 1907	box 11	folder 18
June-July 1907	box 11	folder 19
August-December 1907	box 11	folder 20
January-April 1908	box 11	folder 21
May-July 1908	box 11	folder 22
August-December 1908	box 11	folder 23
January-February 1909	box 11	folder 24
March-April 1909	box 11	folder 25
May 1909	box 11	folder 26
June-July 1909	box 11	folder 27
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June-July 1911	box 13	folder 3
August-September 1911	box 13	folder 4
October-November 1911	box 13	folder 5
December 1911	box 13	folder 6
January 1912	box 13	folder 7
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April 1912	box 13	folder 9
May 1912	box 13	folder 10
June-July 1912	box 13	folder 11
August 1912	box 13	folder 12
September 1912	box 13	folder 13

October 1912	box 13	folder 14
November 1912	box 13	folder 15
December 1912	box 13	folder 16
January-February 1913	box 13	folder 17
March-May 1913	box 13	folder 18
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<i>Automobile Cavalcade</i> , 1906	box 14	folder 12
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<i>Traction Engines, undated</i>	box 15	folder 25
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<i>Winton Marine Oil Engines, undated</i>	box 15	folder 27
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vol. 3: Bancroft Peat Company Minute Book	volume 3
vol. 4: Fearnot Mining Company Minute Book	volume 4
vol. 5: Fearnot Mining Company Stock Ledger and Journal	volume 5
vol. 6: Motor's 1906 Motor Car Directory, 1906	volume 6
vol. 7: Surviving Pioneers of Automobile Building, 1914	volume 7
vol. 8: Around the World With a Camera, 1914	volume 8

vol. 9: 2RS-4 Ring Laying-Goodyear Zeppelin, 1929

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No. 209: Photos, clippings, history of Olds Tower, 1929-1938	volume SB 209	
No. 210: Photos of family in Europe and Caribbean, 1900, 1910, 1912	volume SB 210	
No. 211: Photos of family trip around the world, 1924	volume SB 211	
No. 212: Photos of Oldsmar, Florida, 1921-1922	volume SB 212	
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Michigan State University. Special Events. Semi-Centennial. Roosevelt, T., 1907 <u>Container Summary</u> : Photograph <u>Controlled Access Headings</u> :	drawer 45	folder 2
• Roosevelt, Theodore		
Automobiles. Oldsmobile.	drawer 45	folder 2
Florida, Osmond.	drawer 45	folder 2

Container Summary: Photograph

Lansing Map , circa 1897 <u>Container Summary</u> : Map of downtown Lansing - possibly showing election wards	drawer 45	folder 2
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Residence for Mr. R. E. Olds, Elbamar, Grosse Isle, Michigan. Edwyn A. Bowd, architect (floor plan), undated	drawer 47	
Plat Showing Farm Layout, Reolds Farms Co., Oldsmar, Florida. E. B. Walker, Jr., engineer, April 24, 1917	drawer 47	
Addition to Hotel Olds blueprints, Bowd-Munson, architects. Includes second floor, typical floor plan (third through seventh floors), eighth/ninth floors, tenth floor, and eleventh floor., February 5, 1935	drawer 47	
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Postcards and Photographs

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Arizona. Phoenix	
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California	

California. Redlands

California. Riverside

Canada. Alberta. (2 folders)

Canada. Alberta or British Columbia. Canadian Rockies

Canada. British Columbia

Canada. Nova Scotia

Canada. Prince Edward Island

Canada. Quebec

Canada. Yukon

Caves

Chilie. Santiago

Colorado

Colorado. Rocky Mountains

Cuba. Havana

Ecuador. Guayaquil

Egypt

Egypt. Cairo

Egypt. Edfou

Egypt. Esneh

Egypt. Karnak

Egypt. Korn Ombo

Egypt. Luxor

Egypt. Nile River

England

England. London

England. Wiltshire

Factories. Olds Motor Works

Florida

France

France. Paris

France. Vence

Germany

Germany. Berlin

Germany. Potsdam

Greece. Athens. (3 folders)

Greece. Corfu

Homes

Homes. Olds Residence. Lansing, Michigan (Corner of
Washington and Main)

Isreal. Tiberias

Italy

Italy. Capri

Italy. Naples

Italy. Pompeii

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Jerusalem (3 folders)

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Massachusetts. Plymouth

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Michigan State University. Scenes. Half-way Rock

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National Parks. Yellowstone National Park

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Oregon

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Ships. Yachts. "Reomar II"	
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Washington, D.C. Capitol Building (2 folders)	
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Africa. Victoria Falls	box LC Photo 11	
Africa. Algiers	box LC Photo 12	
Animals. Deer	box LC Photo 12	
Animals. Dog	box LC Photo 12	
Animals. Sheep	box LC Photo 12	
Argentina. Buenos Aires. (3 folders)	box LC Photo 12	
Automobiles. Family Photographs with Automobiles	box LC Photo 12	
Automobiles. (2 folders)	drawer Copy Negatives Dr 4	item N3477
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Automobiles. Cross Country Tours. (2 folders)	box LC Photo 12	
Automobiles. Demonstrations. (3 folders)	box LC Photo 12	
Automobiles. Oldsmobile. (4 folders)	box LC Photo 12	
Automobiles. Race Cars	box LC Photo 12	
Automobiles. REO. (3 folders)	box LC Photo 12	
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Barbados	box LC Photo 12	
Boats	box LC Photo 12	
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Carriages	box LC Photo 12
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China. Manchuria	box LC Photo 12
China. Peking. (4 folders)	box LC Photo 12
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Florida. Oldsmar. (3 folders)	box LC Photo 13
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Gibraltar	box LC Photo 13
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Homes. Elbamar. Grosse Ile, Michigan	box LC Photo 13
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Homes. Olds Cottage. Pine Lake, Michigan	box LC Photo 13
Homes. Olds Estate. Daytona Beach, Florida	box LC Photo 13
Homes. Olds Residence. Lansing, Michigan (Corner of Kalamazoo and Grand)	box LC Photo 13

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Inventions. Motorized Plough	box LC Photo 14
Inventions. Root Thresher	box LC Photo 14
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Jerusalem. (3 folders)	box LC Photo 14
Korea	box LC Photo 14
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Michigan. Lansing. Commercial Buildings	box LC Photo 14
Michigan. Dock and Tugboats , 1939	box LC Photo 14
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Monuments	box LC Photo 14	
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Morocco. Tangiers	box LC Photo 14	
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Niagara Falls. "Maid of the Mist"	box LC Photo 14	
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Palestine. (3 folders)	box LC Photo 14	
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Parades	box LC Photo 14	
People. Anderson, R.E. Olds (?)	box LC Photo 14	
People. Burgess, James	box LC Photo 14	
People. Darmstaetter, Armin	box LC Photo 14	
People. Groups. (20 folders)	box LC Photo 15	
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People. Mather, Mrs.	box LC Photo 15	
People. Olds, E.W.		

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People. Misc	box LC Photo 15
People. Olds, Mr. and Mrs. Ransom E. (2 folders)	box LC Photo 15
People. Olds, Mr. and Mrs. Ransom E. Anniversary Book	box LC Photo 15
People. Olds, Ransom E. (4 folders)	box LC Photo 15
People. Olds, Mrs. Ransom E. (Metta V. Woodward)	box LC Photo 15
People. Roe, Bunny	box LC Photo 15
People. Unidentified. (2 folders)	box LC Photo 15
People. Warren, Marjorie	box LC Photo 15
People. Warren, Roger and Melvin	box LC Photo 15
People. Young, Brigham and Wives	box LC Photo 15
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Ships. Steamships. "President Lincoln"	box LC Photo Box 16	
Ships. Steamships. "Samaria"	box LC Photo Box 16	
Ships. Yachts	box LC Photo Box 16	
Ships. Yachts. "Chieftain"	box LC Photo Box 16	
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Ships. Yachts. "Reola II"	box LC Photo Box 16	
Ships. Yachts. "Reomar"	box LC Photo Box 16	
Ships. Yachts. "Reomar III"	drawer Copy Negatives Dr 4	item N3055
	box LC Photo Box 16	
	drawer Copy Negatives Dr 4	item N3054
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Soo Locks	box LC Photo Box 16	
South Africa. (5 folders)		

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South Africa. Cape Town	box LC Photo Box 16	
South Africa. Durban	box LC Photo Box 16	
South Africa. Johannesburg.(2 folders)	box LC Photo Box 16	
South Africa. Kimberley	box LC Photo Box 16	
South Africa. Pretoria	box LC Photo Box 16	
South Africa. Spain	box LC Photo Box 16	
Statues. Statue of Liberty	box LC Photo Box 16	
Storm at Sea	box LC Photo Box 16	
Suez Canal	box LC Photo Box 16	
Sweden	box LC Photo Box 16	
Switzerland. (4 folders)	box LC Photo Box 16	
Trucks. Reo	box LC Photo Box 16	
Turkey. Istanbul (Constantinople)	box LC Photo Box 16	
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West Virginia. Harpers Ferry	box LC Photo Box 16	
Yugoslavia	box LC Photo Box 16	
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People
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People. Olds, Ransom E.	
Oversized Photographs	box OS 15
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Homes, Ransom E. Olds	
Michigan. Lansing. Buildings	
Middle East, 1922, Undated	
Miscellaneous	
People. Olds, Ransom E.	
People. Olds, Mrs. Ransom E. (Metta A. Woodward)	
People. Unidentified	
Parades	
Negatives	
Curved Dash Parade, Lansing, 1903	
First car Developed by Olds- Steam Engine, 1887	
First REO Roadster, October 1904	
Mr. and Mrs. Olds in an Olds Electric in Detroit , 1899	
Oldsmar Sign, Florida	
Olds Motor Works	
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Ransom Olds and Son, Lansing, circa 1885	
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