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**HOME STOVE COMPANY
RECORDS, 1893–1991**

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION: One manuscripts box, one photographs folder, and three polyester negatives envelopes

COLLECTION DATES: 1893–1991

PROVENANCE: Cornelius M. Alig; Indianapolis, IN

RESTRICTIONS: None

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ALTERNATE FORMATS:

RELATED HOLDINGS: Model furnaces, heaters, ranges by Home Stove Company, Indianapolis, TS425 .H55 1920; The greater home pride malleable-steel ranges for the home : how constructed ; how to operate ; how and what to cook, TS425 .H5 1904; Automatic cookery by Chambers Manufacturing Company, TX657.O6 C42

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2017.0351

NOTES:

HISTORICAL SKETCH

George Alig, Sr. (24 February 1852–17 January 1941) was born in Switzerland. He moved to Indianapolis in 1871. He became involved in the Indianapolis Stove Company in 1875, acting as vice president. In 1893, he sold his share in the Indianapolis Stove Company and formed his own stove-making business, the Home Stove Company. At its peak, Alig's company employed over 300 women and distributed its products throughout the country. The company was known for its steel and cast-iron ranges, stoves, cook tops, and heaters.

Alig married Cornelia Charlotte Schirmer on 8 January 1878. They had five sons and two daughters between 1879 and 1891. Alig's oldest son, George Alig, Jr., would eventually take over the company upon his father's retirement. The business remained in the family during the next generation as well. George Alig, Jr.'s son Daniel also worked for the company.

Sources:

Ancestry. Library Edition. 1880 United States Federal Census and Indiana Death Certificates, 1899–2011. <https://www.ancestrylibrary.com/family-tree/person/tree/50957448/person/13126613078/facts?ssrc=&ml_rpos=2>.

Resa. "My Great Grandfather Alig." <<http://www.omnipages.com/resa/george.htm>>.

Materials in the collection

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

This collection contains the Home Stove Company's articles of incorporation from 1893, a ledger ranging from 1893 to 1954, biographical information on the company's founder, George Alig, receipts, about a dozen catalogues from different dates, brochures, advertising, business cards, a photograph of the office with George Alig, three negatives featuring the company's buildings, and 1989 and 1991 publications featuring stories on home stoves.

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Articles of Incorporation, 1893 (and copies)

George Alig, Sr. and George Alig, Jr. Biographical Information, 1923–1942

Ledger and Minutes, 1893–1954

George Alig and Bill Clerk Personal Catalogues, n.d

Catalogues, ca. 1905–1906

Catalogues, 1913 and 1916

Catalogue and Installation Manual, 1933

Catalogues, n.d. [1920s?]

Receipts, 1915–1933

Brochures, Advertising, Business Cards, n.d.

Company Policies, n.d.

Publications – Mother Earth News, 1989; American Heritage, 1991

Company Office (George Alig in photo)

Main Offices and Plant, n.d.

Offices and Salesroom, n.d.

Foundry, n.d.

CONTAINER

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