

# H. Kenneth Hamar Collection

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository</b>	Michigan Technological University Archives and Copper Country Historical Collections
<b>Creator</b>	Hamar, H. Kenneth, 1901-1983
<b>Title</b>	H. Kenneth Hamar Collection
<b>Date [inclusive]</b>	1850-1934
<b>Extent</b>	0.35 cubic feet 1 manuscript box (letter size)
<b>Language</b>	English
<b>Language of Material</b>	English
<b>Mixed materials [Box]</b>	1
<b>Abstract</b>	Collection, 1850-1934, compiled by H. Kenneth Hamar. Contains a history of Chassell, Michigan and records from various lumber companies of Michigan's Upper Peninsula including Hamar Land and Lumber Company, Worcester Lumber Company and the Sawyer-Goodman Lumber Company as well as land grant certificates, Houghton Chassell & Southwestern Railroad papers and various correspondence.

### Preferred Citation

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## **Biography**

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H. Kenneth Hamar was born in 1901 in Menominee, Michigan and raised in Chassell, Michigan, son of Jessie and Edward Hamar, the general manager of the Worcester Lumber Company. Like his father, Ken Hamar was also involved in the lumber industry for more than sixty years, beginning with the Worcester Lumber Company in Chassell, MI, continuing with Weyerhaeuser of Cloquet, MN and Lake Superior Lumber Corporation of Ontonagon, MI. In 1948 he returned to Chassell and started the Chassell Box & Crate Company with his brother John. In 1960 he and his brother purchased the Horner Flooring Company, located in Dollar Bay, MI. Hamar was also a director of the Superior National Bank & Trust Company, the Copper Range Railroad and the Maple Flooring Association. He was also one of the staunchest supporters of athletic programs, including Michigan Technological University where he was a charter member of The Huskies Club and received the organization's highest award in 1974 - an award which today is named in his honor.

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## **Collection Scope and Content Summary**

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Records from various lumber companies of Michigan's Upper Peninsula including Hamar Land and Lumber Company, Worcester Lumber Company and the Sawyer-Goodman Lumber Company as well as land grant certificates, Houghton Chassell & Southwestern Railroad records and various correspondence.

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## **Arrangement**

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This collection is less than one cubic feet and has not been arranged below the collection level.

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## **Administrative Information**

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### **Publication Information**

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## Revision Description

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## Acquisition

A gift consisting of one letter size manuscript box containing papers related to Chassell, MI and lumbering in the Upper Peninsula was donated to the Michigan Technological University and Copper Country Historical Collections on June 23, 1971 by H. Kenneth Hamar.

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## Related Materials

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### Separated Negatives

Several negatives were removed from the Hamar donation to the Numbered Negatives Collection at the time of accession. The numbers for these images are listed below:

00998 01001 01002 01005 01869 03532 01856 02982 02582 02583 02982 01866 01870 02581 01868

### Separated Photographs

Several photographs were removed from the Hamar donation at the time of accession to the Copper Country Photograph File.

Cities and Town-Chassell Cities and Towns-Chassell-Street Scenes Cities and Towns-Eagle Harbor Lumbering Lumbering-Camp Scenes Lumbering-Cutting; Hauling Lumbering-Mills and Market Railroads Railroads-Companies-Duluth, South Shore, and Atlantic Railroads-Motorcar Transportation-Rail

### Separated Maps

Two maps from the Hamar donation were removed to MS-870 Michigan Technological University Archives Map Collection. Maps 57 and 58 were indicated to be from the Hamar donation, but only map 58 can be located.

Hamar 58, Map of Houghton, Chassell, and South Western Railway. Scale 1"=800".Certified by C. F. Hancock, July 12, 1909.

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## Controlled Access Headings

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### Corporate Name(s)

- Hamar Land and Lumber Company.
- Houghton, Chassell and Southwestern Railroad.
- Sawyer-Goodman Lumber Company.
- Worcester Lumber Company.

### Genre(s)

- Certificates
- Corporation reports
- Correspondence
- Field notes

### Geographic Name(s)

- Chassell (Mich.)--History

### Personal Name(s)

- Hamar, Edward A.

### Subject(s)

- Lumber and lumbering--Michigan--Upper Peninsula
- Railroads--History--Michigan--Upper Peninsula

## Collection Inventory

	<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>
History of Chassell 1934	1	1
Certificates of Land Grants 1855-1874	1	2
Houghton, Chassell and Southwestern Railroad 1914, 1922, 1928	1	3
Logmarks and Correspondence 1885-1895	1	4
Invoices for Supplies Shipped on the Enterprise 6/17/1856	1	5
Report Sawyer-Goodman Company, Winter 1892-1893, Edward A. Hamar 1892-1893	1	6
Hamar Land and Lumber Company Ltd. Map Undated	1	7
Field Notes U.S. Survey of south 1/3 T54 NR 33 W State Land Office 10/31/1882	1	8
Correspondence and Bills Concerning William Hamilton 1850	1	9
Worcester Lumber Company Ltd. Shipments Showing Net Price to Date 9/30/1927	1	10
	<b>Box</b>	<b>Item</b>



Worcester Lumber Company Chassell Log Mark Cloverleaf Undated

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