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Wilbert Salmi Collection MS-601

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Summary Information

Repository:	Michigan Technological University Archives and Copper Country Historical Collections
Title:	Wilbert Salmi Collection
ID:	MS-601
Date [inclusive]:	1864-1953
Physical Description:	2.45 cubic feet 1 manuscript box, 2 Paige boxes
General Physical Description note:	2.0 cubic feet1 oversize paige box
Language of the Material:	English .
Mixed Materials [box]:	1-1B
Abstract:	Collection, 1864-1953, of Wilbert Salmi, a resident of Toivola and Hancock, Michigan.

Preferred Citation

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Biography

Wilbert Einar Salmi was born on September 17, 1922, in Iron River, Michigan, to Walter and Mayme (Johnson) Salmi. As a young child, his family relocated to the Copper Country. For a time, Walter sold insurance before the onset of the Great Depression prompted him to move to Stanton Township and take up farming. Wilbert attended a rural school through the tenth grade and completed high school while boarding with a family in Hancock. He graduated in 1940.

After high school, Wilbert worked in lumbering before being employed at a fishery and a sausage factory. Most of his career was spent in utilities, including twenty years as supervisor

of operations at Michigan Power Company, from which he retired in 1986. He also maintained a long-term membership in the Houghton County Historical Society and served as its president.

Wilbert married Margaret Eskelinen in Houghton on January 20, 1950. Upon his November 19, 1996 death, he was survived by Margaret, one daughter, and two sons.

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Collection Scope and Content Summary

Collection, 1864-1953, of Wilbert Salmi, a resident of Toivola and Hancock, Michigan. Includes blueprints with an index, many from Quincy Mining Company, Houghton High School commencement programs, invitations and announcements of social events, bylaws of the Lake Superior Knights of Pythias, declaration of intention for James Mahan, and photographs of boats and places.

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Related Materials

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Additional materials collected by Wilbert Salmi are held by the Walter P. Reuther Library at Wayne State University in Detroit.

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Controlled Access Headings

- Copper mines and mining -- Michigan -- Upper Peninsula
- Commencement ceremonies -- Michigan -- Houghton
- Printed ephemera
- Bylaws (Administrative records)
- Photographs
- Programs
- Invitations
- Announcements
- Social participation -- Michigan -- Upper Peninsula
- Hancock (Mich.)
- Blueprints (Reprographic copies)
- Newspapers
- Quincy Mining Company

Collection Inventory

Personal Materials

Title/Description	Instances	
Photographs of People, 1895-1913	box 1	folder 1
Receipts and Invoices, 1888-1934	box 1	folder 2
MTU Commencement Programs and a Letter from the MTU Foundation to Sally Mahan, 1898-1948	box 1	folder 3

Photographs: Boats, circa 1890 - circa 1910	box 1	folder 4
Photographs: Places, circa 1890 - circa 1910	box 1	folder 5
Declaration of Intention for James Mahan & Beneficiary Certificate - Mary Mahan & By-Laws of Lake Superior Knights of Pythias (#109), 1864, 1890, 1899	box 1	folder 6
Houghton High School Announcement Programs, 1891 - 1938	box 1	folder 7
Invitations & Announcements of Social Events, 1876 - 1923	box 1	folder 8
Invitations & Announcements of Social Events, 1894 - 1896	box 1	folder 9

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Blueprints

Title/Description	Instances	
Three Indices that Correlate with Quincy Mine Blueprints, circa 1890 - circa 1910	box 1	folder 10
Blueprints, circa 1890	box 2	folder 1
Blueprints (#2 - 4), 1900 - 1904	box 2	folder 2
Blueprints (#5 - 8), 1891, 1899	box 2	folder 3
Blueprints (#11 - 19), 1894 - 1906	box 2	folder 4
Blueprints (#21 - 29), 1895 - 1905	box 2	folder 5
Blueprints (#30 - 38), 1902 - 1905	box 2	folder 6
Blueprints (#40 - 48), 1891 - 1904	box 2	folder 7
Blueprints (#50 - 55), 1900 - 1903	box 2	folder 8
Blueprints (#56 - 58), 1903	box 2	folder 9
Blueprints (#60 - 69), 1888 - 1901	box 2	folder 10
Blueprints (#70 - 78), 1892 - 1899	box 2	folder 11
Blueprints (#80 - 89), 1895 - 1899	box 3	folder 1
Blueprints (#96 - 106), 1891 - 1900	box 3	folder 2
Blueprints (#107 - 114), 1902	box 3	folder 3
Blueprints (#115 - 119), 1899	box 3	folder 4
Blueprints (#123 - 131), 1892 - 1902	box 3	folder 5
Blueprints (#132 - 134), 1905	box 3	folder 6
Blueprints (#135 - 139), 1895 - 1900	box 3	folder 7

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Blueprints (#140 - 149), 1893 - 1905	box 3	folder 8
Blueprints (#150 - 159), 1903 - 1905	box 3	folder 9
Blueprints (#160 - 168), 1906	box 3	folder 10
Blueprints (#170 - 180), 1907	box 3	folder 11

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