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Ball Research File

Because Roller concentrated so much energy on studying the Ball Brothers and Ball products, the research files pertaining to these two subjects are housed separately in boxes fifteen through seventeen (three feet) under the heading Ball Research File. The folders are arranged alphabetically by the underlined key word in the folder title. The keyword is never "Ball." The file contains both primary documents *from* the Ball family and Ball Corporation operations as well as secondary documents *about* the family and company. A collection of Ball correspondence is at the end of box eighteen. There are no correspondence directly related to the Ball brothers or the Ball Corporation in the Correspondence file; all material (except publications) directly related to Ball is in the Ball Research File.

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 –Early Semi-Auto–Glass Blowing Machine Patents, 1898-1902
 –Hartford I.S. Machine, 1932-43
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 –Bread Seal 3-L Jars–Mason, 1991-95
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