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**Manuscript Group 212  
Gatti Family Collection**

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**1 Boxes; 1 Linear Feet**

**Biographical Note**

Joseph and Susan I. Gatti are residents of Indiana, Pennsylvania. Dr. Susan Gatti is a Professor Emeritus of the English Department at Indiana University of Pennsylvania (IUP). Dr. Gatti's grandfather was J.B. Parsons who attended Ohio Northern University and transferred to Carnegie Technological Institute, where he earned an engineering degree in 1912. J.B. Parsons was an engineer for the Rochester & Pittsburgh Coal Company for many years. See [Manuscript Group 51](#) and [Manuscript Group 94](#) for more information about the Rochester & Pittsburgh (R&P) Coal Company.

**Scope and Content Note**

This collection contains an Indiana business ledger that was found at a store that the Gatti family previously owned, and information about picnics and other social events that engineers and other employees of the [Rochester & Pittsburgh Coal Company](#) participated in including Dr. Gatti's grandfather J.B. Parsons.

**Provenance**

This collection was donated by Joseph and Susan I. Gatti in 2015.

**Restrictions**

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**Processor**

The collection was organized and the finding aid was updated by Harrison Wick on April 7, 2021.

**Content List**

**Box 1 (4 folders)**

1. Invitations to the Rochester & Pittsburgh Engineers Picnics, no date, 1938, 1944, 1948, 1953-1955, 1959-1960, 1962-1964, and 1966
2. Publications:
  - a. *75 Years Rochester & Pittsburgh Coal Company*, 1882-1957 (1957)
  - b. *The R&P Story – 1958 “Thru My Eyes”* by J.B. “Goog” Parsons (1958) final copy
3. Publication: *The R&P Story – 1958 “Thru My Eyes”* by J.B. “Goog” Parsons (1958) draft
4. Photographs
  - a. Rochester & Pittsburgh Engineer Picnics and other social events, early 1900s, one photograph includes Bernard “Goog” Parsons (1890-1969) with cow horn keychain,

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this artifact is in Box 2

- b. Joseph W. Gatti, MD, Rochester & Pittsburgh Company surgeon, Miner Exams

**Box 2 Oversized Materials (2 items)**

1. Business Day Book, removed from a former business at 33 North 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Indiana, Pennsylvania, contains business and personal accounts from February 7, 1859 to July 6, 1860
2. Cow Horn keychain, belonged to Bernard "Goog" Parsons (1890-1969) see photograph in Box 1 Folder 4