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➤ J. Wesley Pelton/Toledo Scale Collection, n. d. ◀

MSS-253

**Size:** .5 linear feet

**Provenance:** Department of History, University of Toledo.

**Access:** Open

**Collection Summary:** This collection contains correspondence and photographs related to J. Wesley Pelton, Johanna Robarge, and some documents pertaining to Pelton and the Toledo Scale Company.

**Subject(s):** [Business and Commerce](#)

**Related Collections:** MSS-153 Toledo Scale Company Records, MSS-165 Toledo's Attic Oral History Interviews

**Processing Note:**

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### **Historical Sketch**

The collection was donated by the Department of History at the University of Toledo. Mary Patchen, a graduate student in the Department of History conducted research on the Toledo Scale Corporation, and collected documents belonging to J. Wesley Pelton. Mr. Pelton was a 32 year employee of Toledo Scale, and made his career in design and modification of scale models. Mr. Pelton was instrumental in designing facilities for rocket fuel containers as a design engineer. In addition, included in this collection is Patchen's brief correspondence with another former Toledo Scales employee Johanna Robarge. Ms. Robarge provided Patchen with company newsletters from the 1980s, and a photograph of herself working at Toledo Scale.

### Scope and Content Note

This collection consists of correspondence pertaining to Mr. Pelton and Ms. Robarge, newspaper articles regarding Toledo Scale, three photographs of Mr. Pelton, two photographs of the Toledo Scale Bowling Team, a photograph of Ms. Robarge, apprenticeship documents for Mr. Pelton, histories of Toledo Scale, brochures, personnel information pertaining to Mr. Pelton, Toledo Scale business and technical reports, *Toledo System* periodicals, and Toledo Scale's *On the Beam* newsletter.

### Folder List

Box	Folder	Item
1	1	A History of Toledo Scale Corporation (1967)
	2	Apprenticeship Documents, J. W. Pelton (1947)
	3	Beloit Tool Corporation. "U.S.A. Goes Metric." (1970)
	4	The Blade, Article, "Merger Planned..." (1967)
	5	The Blade, Article, "Toledo Scale-Reliance..." (1967)
	6	The Blade, Article, "Toledo Scale's Full HQ ..." (1975)
	7	The Blade, Article re: Bob Terry's <i>Honest Weight</i> book. (2000)
	8	Correspondence, Mary Patchen-Johanna Robarge.
	9	Correspondence, Shareholders-Toledo Scale Corporation
	10	Department of Commerce, "Facts of Flight" Booklet. (1955)
	11	Employee Bulletin-Research Lab Supervisors. (1970)
	12	"Henry Theobald-His Philosophy of Management." (1967)
	13	Lambert, R.M. "History of Toledo Berkel Pty. Ltd." (1968)
	14	Miscellaneous Article, "Facts about the Company..." (1929)
	15	"Missiles and Rockets: The Missiles Space Weekly." (1962)
	16	NM Hansen Machine and Tool Co. Brochure. (N.D.)
	17	Photograph of Johanna Robarge (N.D.)
	18	Photograph of Toledo Scale Bowling Team (1945)
	19	Photograph of Toledo Scale Bowling Team (N.D.)
	20	Photograph of Toledo 8400 Digital Candy Scale. (N.D.)
	21	Photographs of J. Wesley Pelton. (N.D.)
	22	Quarter Century Club. (1968)
	23	Reports pertaining to J.W. Pelton. (1969-72)
	24	Roadmaps of Iowa, Montana, Utah, Wyoming (N.D.)
	25	Thiokol Chemical Corporation. Air Force Plant 78 Pamphlet. (N.D.)
	26	Toledo Scale Annual Banquet. (1968-9)
	27	Toledo Scale Annual Report. (1966)
	28	Toledo Scale Automatic Batching Article. (1962)
	29	Toledo Scale. The First 50 Years. (1951)
	30	Toledo Scale. Handling Solid Rocket Propellant Article. (1963)
	31	Toledo Scale: The History of Our Future Brochure (N.D.)
	32	Toledo Scale. Intercom Newsletter (N.D.)
	33	Toledo Scale. On the Beam Newsletter. (1983-84)

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- 34 Toledo Scale. The Story of Toledo Scale. (N.D.)
- 35 Toledo Scale. Toledo 8400 Digital Candy Scale. (N.D.)
- 36 Toledo System Periodicals. (1948-1968)
- 37 Unknown Newspaper Article. "Reliance Electric..." (N.D.)
- 38 Various Newspaper Clippings, Utah. (1962)