Merchant. Business correspondence (1927–1940); ledgers recording cash sales (1918–1928); business accounts (1916–1941); and expenses (1917–1934) from the D. C. Betts Supply Company, suppliers of mining equipment, in Quapaw, Oklahoma.

In Prosperity, Indian Territory, L. F. Betts ran a general store and mining supply company. He started this business venture in the fall of 1904. After 13 years, he moved away from Prosperity and relocated to Quapaw, Oklahoma, where there was a mining boom.

The D. C. Betts Supply Company Collection consists of 3 linear feet of material covering the period 1916-1941. The collection contains correspondence between Betts Supply Company and numerous agencies and companies across America. Most of the records pertain to when the company was in Quapaw. The business records can be broken down into three basic groups: (1) journals of cash sales, (2) journals of expenses, and (3) journals of business accounts. In all, there are 15 business journals that reflect the operation of this supply company. Besides correspondence and business records, there are industrial licenses and accident reports prepared for insurance purposes.

Box 1: General Correspondence: D. C. Betts Supply Company Collection
Folder:

1. Correspondence with the Youngstown Sheet and Tube Company, August, 19, 1933 - March 27, 1939.

2. Correspondence with the District Credit Men's Association, August 17, 1928 - June 2, 1939.

3. Correspondence with the Oklahoma Department of Labor, and State and Industrial Commission, October 13, 1927 - October 28, 1940.

4. Oklahoma Tax Commission, October 9, 1931 - February 13, 1940.

5. Industrial Licenses, April 29, 1927 - August 15, 1939.

6. General Correspondence: Part 1
   (1) A. Leschen and Sons Rope Company, February 19, 1934 - February 7, 1938.
   (2) F. W. Evans: Operating Lead and Zinc Mines in the Tristate District, March 7, 1932 - May 1, 1941.
(5) Interstate Zinc and Lead Company, April 6, 1927 - June, 1932.

7. General Correspondence: Part 2
(1) Mahoning Mining Company, January 5, 1938 - June 6, 1940.
(2) Hardware Mutual Casualty Company, January 20, 1933 - July 11, 1940.
(4) Merchant and Miners Bank, May 14, 1929 - July 20, 1940.
(5) The J. R. Clark Company, October 6, 1933 - June 19, 1939.
(7) T. F. Bennett Trustee, January 9, 1928 - January 8, 1937.
(8) Kanok Metals Company Trustee, April 3, 1928 - May 19, 1937.

8. General Correspondence: Part 3
(1) Dade County Mining Company, Inc., October 6, 1936 - October 13, 1936.
(2) Creditors of Boska Mining Company and Committee for Boska Mining Company Creditors, March 4, 1931 - May 20, 1936.
(3) Treasury Department, August 8, 1928 - 1936.
(4) National Recovery Administration, January 4, 1934 - January 10, 1934.

9. Miscellaneous Correspondence

Outsized Material

Box 1 Outsized:
Journal of Cash Sales from September 1, 1918 to March 31, 1920.
Journal of Cash Sales from April 1, 1920 to June 30, 1921.
Journal of Cash Sales from July 1, 1921 to April 30, 1923.
Journal of Cash Sales from May 1, 1923 to June 30, 1926.
Journal of Cash Sales from July 1, 1926 to October 3, 1928.

Box 2 Outsized:
Journal of Expenses from October, 1919 to January, 1922.
Journal of Expenses from February, 1922 to June, 1924.
Journal of Expenses from July, 1924 to September, 1928.
Journal of Business Accounts from October, 1918 to April, 1920.
Journal of Business Accounts, dates uncertain.
Journal of Business Accounts from October, 1931, to January, 1941.
Bill Register Journal and Due Book from April, 1934 to December, 1940.
Box 3 Outsized:
  Voucher Register and Expenses Journal from March, 1917 to September, 1919.
  Journal of Expenses from December, 1932 to December, 1934.