GEORGE ROGERS CLARK MEMORIAL COMMISSION RECORDS, 1926-1929

Collection # SC 2421

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USER INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION: 4 folders

COLLECTIONS DATES: 1926-1929

PROVENANCE: Hubert Hawkins, Indianapolis IN, 1970

RESTRICTIONS: None

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George Rogers Clark's principal achievements in the conquest of the Northwest during the Revolutionary War were the captures of Kaskaskia in July 1778 and of Vincennes in February 1779. As the 150th anniversary of these events approached in 1928-1929, the State of Indiana in the spring of 1927 appointed a Memorial Commission with William Fortune as its head. Meetings were held during the summer of 1927, and in November the Commission made a pilgrimage to Clark's Virginia birthplace. Purchases of land for a memorial commenced in 1928, and in April the City of Vincennes deeded over to the Commission part of the site of Fort Sackville. Clem Richards succeeded Fortune as chairman in June. A celebration was held in 1929, and an architect was chosen for the memorial, which was finally dedicated in 1937.

SCOPE AND CONTENT

This collection, filling four folders, contains documents, mainly deeds and title abstracts, dated 1926-1929, dealing with acquisitions by the City of Vincennes of land in the area of Fort Sackville. Organization is by property owner.

FOLDER LISTING

Folder

- 1 Motion, deeds 1926-1929
- 2 Property of Zene Busching
- 3 Property of John W. Emison
- 4 Property of State Savings and Trust Company

CATALOGUING INFORMATION

MAIN ENTRY: George Rogers Clark Memorial Commission

SUBJECT ENTRIES: George Rogers Clark Memorial Commission

Vincennes (Ind.). George Rogers Clark Memorial

Clark, George Rogers, 1752-1818--Monuments

Clark, George Rogers, 1752-1818--Anniversaries, etc.

Historic sites--Indiana--Vincennes

Deeds--Indiana--Vincennes

Real property--Indiana--Vincennes

Vincennes (Ind.)

Fort Sackville (Ind.)--Anniversaries, etc.