INGALLS STONE COMPANY
PHOTOGRAPHS, 1917–1929, N.D.

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION: 1 box of photographs


PROVENANCE: Unknown
HISTORICAL SKETCH

In business from 1887 to 1976, the Ingalls Stone Company of Bedford, Indiana was a quarrier and fabrciator of Indiana Oolitic Limestone. The company supplied limestone for many large notable buildings throughout the United States. In its later years the company also began producing stone for small buildings, store fronts and homes.

According to a handwritten note found in the Ingalls catalog listed below, after a family lawsuit the company was given to Marion Ingalls Lamey. The company was then moved to the Leahy Building at 1122 5th Street and was liquidated in 1976. It was then sold to Evans & Summit Stone Co. (now the Evans Limestone Company) by Marion Ingalls Lamey.

Indiana Limestone is classified by the Indiana Limestone Institute of America, Inc. (ILI) into two colors and four grades based on granular texture and other natural characteristics. These are noted on the labels found on the verso of each photograph, along with the name of the building, the architect, and contractor.

Sources:
Pamphlet Collection: HD9716.S78 I5 1960
Evans Limestone Company http://www.evanslimestone.com/products.html

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The photographs, taken by various photograph companies, show structures that were built with stone fabricated by the Ingalls Stone Company in Bedford, Indiana. Included in the collection are notable buildings in Chicago, Illinois as well as Michigan, Pennsylvania, Minnesota, Kansas, and Ohio. The dated photographs were made between 1917 and 1929. Most photographs are undated but were probably taken at the time each building was constructed.

The photographs are organized alphabetically by the name of the building. The names of the buildings, architects, contractors, and the descriptions from labels found on the verso of each photograph are listed in the “Contents” section of the collection guide. Comments in square [ ] brackets were supplied by the processor. The photographs were originally in an album. They were removed for preservation reasons and the empty album is stored with the photographs.
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Indiana Museum  Indianapolis, Indiana  Indiana Oolitic Limestone  Photographs: Box 1, Folder 6

Indianapolis Library, Indianapolis, Indiana.  [Front elevation]  Bass photo taken in 1917.  Photographs: Box 1, Folder 6


LaSalle-Wacker Building, Chicago, Illinois.  
Architect: Rebori & Holabird & Root, Chicago.  
Contractor: Hegeman-Harris Co., Chicago.  
Select Buff stone to 4th floor & variegated with sawed finish stone above 4th floor.  
[Various exterior views]  
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Princeton Battle Monument, Princeton, N. J.  
Architect: Carrere & Hastings, New York City, N.Y.  
Contractor: Matthews Construction Co., Princeton, N.J.  
Select Buff stone. Sculptor: Frederic MacMonnies.  
[Front and side of monument showing carved figures]  
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Reading High School, Reading, Pennsylvania.  
[Exterior views]  
Photographs: Box 1, Folder 8

Scottish Rite Temple, Kansas City, Missouri.  
Architect: Keene & Simpson, Kansas City, Mo.  
Contractor: Swenson Construction Co., Kansas City, Mo.  
Showing development of Spinx stone in our mill.  
[Interior view of Ingalls workshop]  
Photographs: Box 1, Folder 9

Stephen Foster Memorial, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.  
[Exterior angled view]  
Photographs: Box 1, Folder 9

Wyandotte Co. Court House, Kansas City, Missouri.  
Architect: Wight & Wight, Kansas City, Mo.  
Contractor: Swenson Construction Co., Kansas City, Mo.  
Select Buff stone.  
[Exterior angled view. Six detached fluted columns in front elevation, main entrance]  
Photographs: Box 1, Folder 10

Wyandotte Co. Court House, Kansas City, Missouri.  
Architect: Wight & Wight, Kansas City, Mo.  
Contractor: Swenson Construction Co., Kansas City, Mo.  
Select Buff stone. [Close view of column sections. Company notes] the 48 sections are the largest diameter columns without vertical joints ever turned in Indiana limestone. Bottom diameter 7’6”.  
Quarried at Romona quarry.  
[Photo of columns during construction]  
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Ingalls Stone Company Photograph album  
[photographs removed]  
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2. Click on the "Basic Search" icon.

3. Select "Call Number" from the "Search In:" box.

4. Search for the collection by its basic call number (in this case, P0192).

5. When you find the collection, go to the "Full Record" screen for a list of headings that can be searched for related materials.