PAUL P. (PAUL PETER) BLANK FARM RECORDS, 1890–1930

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION:	1 manuscript box, 1 photograph folder
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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

The Blank family ran a farm in Wayne Township, Marion County, for at least three generations. Paul P. Blank (d. 1929), around whom the bulk of the collection centers, inherited the farm from his father, George Blank, and passed it on to his son, George W. Blank.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection contains the records of the Blank farm from 1859 to 1928; the bulk of the papers are from 1870 to 1915. The records include tax assessments and tax receipts; receipts for goods and services, including livestock; items dealing with the construction of an addition to a barn and with the electrification of a house; and some correspondence of Paul P. Blank. Also included is the will of Paul P. Blank, a farm diary for 1916 kept by him, one set of minutes for the Sabine Literary Society from 1833, and a black and white photograph of Fred Hess on his 68th Birthday.

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Black and white photograph of 68th Birthday of Fred Hess	Visual Collection: Photographs, Folder 1