

STARR FAMILY BUSINESS RECORDS, 1899-1937

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USER INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION: 2 folders

COLLECTION DATES: 1899-1937

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HISTORICAL SKETCH

In 1899 Julia A. and Hugh C. Smith leased the grain elevator in Winamac, Pulaski County, Indiana, then called the Winamac Elevator, to George Starr for one year. In 1902 Hugh C. Smith sold the elevator, with all its enumerated

equipment, to Starr Brothers.

The elevator continued under Starr family management until 1928. In 1917 the firm's name changed from Starr Brothers to John R. Starr. In 1929, Cooperative Elevator Company of Winamac leased the elevator, with option to buy, from John R. Starr. In 1932 John R. Starr and his wife Myrtle mortgaged the elevator for \$2000 to First Union Bank of Winamac. In 1937 the lease to Cooperative Elevator Company was renewed, again with option to purchase.

Source: Materials in collection

SCOPE AND CONTENT

This collection, filling two folders, contains legal papers 1899-1937 and statements of condition 1915-1929 of the Starr Brothers Elevator in Winamac. It is arranged chronologically within each category.

The legal papers trace the history of the elevator as related above, through leases, deeds, and mortgages. The statements of condition list buildings and grounds at \$20,000 to \$22,000 (though \$33,000 had been invested), and bank loans running between \$5,000 and \$20,000.

CATALOGUING INFORMATION

MAIN ENTRY: Starr family business records, 1899-1937

SUBJECT ENTRIES: Starr, John R.

Co-Operative Elevator Company (Winamac, Inc.)

Starr Elevator Company (Winamac, Ind.)

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