

Permanent Building and Savings
Association

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Introduction

The records of the Permanent Building and Savings Association of Dayton, Ohio were accessioned into the Department of Archives and Special collections in June of 1990. They were donated by Judyth Heinfeld of Mid-American Federal in Columbus, Ohio. The records consist of 18 volumes of business and financial records which span the years 1874-1943. The records fall into six series or record groups:

- I. Records
- II. Board of Directors Minutes
- III. Receipts
- IV. Cash Books
- V. Applications for Loans
- VI. Individual Ledgers

These records are open to research with no restrictions.

Brief Historical Sketch

The Permanent Building and Savings association was organized in Dayton, Ohio in 1874 with a capital of one million dollars. Among the first directors were Conrad Diehl, Louis Fry, Gustav Hodapp, Frederick Ecki, Joseph Staub, and C.L. Baumann.

The early business records are written in German and the majority of stockholders and borrowers in the 19th century had German surnames. In 1943, the Permanent Building and Savings Association was taken over by State Fidelity Savings. State Fidelity was subsequently bought out by Mid-American Federal.

Series Description

I. Records (1874-1910)

Consists of lists of individual stockholders with shares, stocks, amounts, repaid, and dividends.

II. Minutes (1925-1943)

The Board of Trustees of the Permanent Building and Saving Association held weekly meetings and the minutes record business transacted, actions taken and a summary of the disbursement of funds.

III. Weekly Receipts (1882-1887; 1915-1918)

A weekly listing of amounts of cash and the individuals from whom it was received.

IV. Cash Books (1904-1918)

A weekly record of cash flow.

V. Applications for Loans (1890-1905)

Applications include names of persons applying for loans, description of buildings and property, location and value of property, and amount of loan.

VI. Individual Ledgers (1878-1888)

Consist of an individual listing of early stockholders and borrowers with amounts paid and owed. These records are in German.

Listing of Volumes

Series I: Records

1874-1901
1901-1904
1904-1907
1907-1910

Series II: Minutes

1925-1930
1940-1943

Series III: Weekly Receipts

1882-1884
1884-1887

Series IV: Cash Books

1904-1906
1910-1911
1911-1913

Series V: Applications for Loans

1890-1899
1899-1902
1902-1905

Series VI: Individual Ledgers

1878-1888
1884-1888