

McLean County Museum of History

McLean County Bank Building Collection

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Collection Information

VOLUME OF COLLECTION:	1 Box
COLLECTION DATES:	1930-1962
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Brief History

In 1853 the original McLean County Bank was founded as the first bank in Bloomington. It was eventually dissolved, and the new bank was established in 1903 on the Square in downtown Bloomington. By 1959, the new trend of customer banking habits and need led to the decision to move the McLean County Bank to Towanda Avenue at Empire. This new bank included drive-in facilities. The bank further expanded in 1972.

Scope

The collection includes materials about the new (1960) bank building itself, correspondence in the years immediately prior to the opening of that facility, and miscellaneous correspondence with the President Darwin Rust.

Box and Folder Inventory

Folder 1: New Building Program

- 1.1 Specifications for Bank Equipment and Furnishings, booklet, February 1, 1960
- 1.2 Cost Estimate, November 4, 1959
- 1.3 Drawings for building
- 1.4 Card for Marvin W. Klein, supervising appraiser
- 1.5 Managers of Money: Cultivators of Dreams, pamphlet describing history of McLean County Bank into the new building at Towanda and Empire
- 1.6 Checks showing new bank building

Folder 2: President's Reports 1955-1956

- 2.1 1955 July-September Income to Date
- 2.2 Monthly reports - January 31 -- December 31, 1956

Folder 3: President's Reports 1957-1960

Monthly reports January 31, 1957 -- March 31, 1960

Folder 4: Statements of Condition

- 4.1 March 14, 1957
- 4.2 March 26, 1962
- 4.3 September 28, 1962
- 4.4 December 31, 1962

Folder 5: Investment Correspondence

Miscellaneous statements and correspondence regarding various investments, 1957-58

Folder 6: Correspondence about Expenditures

- 6.1 Handwritten notes
- 6.2 Notes from directors' meeting, April 7, 1961

- 6.3 Adding machine tape, 1959-60
- 6.4 Savings withdrawals list, February 11, 1957
- 6.5 List of resources and expenditures 1959
- 6.6 Bloomington-Normal Industrial Development Plan, prepared July 1958
- 6.7 McLean County Bank Farm Service Department to Date - list of accomplishments, Robert E. Fry
- 6.8 Letter to Darwin Rust regarding group insurance, February 11, 1958
- 6.9 Recommendations for changes in group insurance plan 1957
- 6.10 Letter from State Farm Insurance President regarding similarity of logo on Christmas card, December 19, 1957
- 6.11 Correspondence regarding Jack Sprague's insurance benefits, June-November 1957
- 6.12 Correspondence about insurance coverage, April 16, 1958

Folder 7: Correspondence- Miscellaneous

All letters to Darwin Rust unless indicated otherwise

- 7.1 From N. B. Morey, Ralston Purina Co., May 3, 1957
- 7.2 From Garry D. Kinder, United Cerebral Palsy, May 23, 1957
- 7.3 From R. E. Gormley, Bankers Committee for Tax Equality, June 3, 1957
- 7.4 From D. A. Boykin, Bankers Committee for Tax Equality, June 21, 1957
- 7.5 From L. Shirley Tark, Bankers Committee for Tax Equality, June 25, 1957
- 7.6 From D. A. Boykin, Bankers Committee for Tax Equality, July 25, 1957
- 7.7 From Kenneth L. Schroeder, State Farm Fire & Casualty, August 5, 1957
- 7.8 Recommended changes of insurance from The Travelers Ins. Co., September 9, 1957
- 7.9 From Don Hopkins, WJBC, November 2, 1957
- 7.10 From C. R. Torrence, Champaign National Bank, December 5, 1957
- 7.11 From George Champion, The Chase Manhattan Bank, December 19, 1957
- 7.12 From L. M. Gillian, American Cancer Society, March 15, 1958
- 7.13 From A. M. Young, First National Bank, April 10, 1958
- 7.14 From Charles E. Hall, Business Consultant, May 8, 1958
- 7.15 From Denny [??], Watkins & Barkau, June 5, 1958
- 7.16 Special Assessment Notice, July 7, 1958
- 7.17 From Cecil E. Rowe, YMCA, November 3, 1958
- 7.18 From Lloyd Berthoff, Illinois Wesleyan University, November 5, 1958
- 7.19 From D. L. Rust to Stockholders, June 29, 1962
- 7.20 From D. L. Rust to Staff of McLean County Bank, undated
- 7.21 Miscellaneous invoices
- 7.22 Handwritten draft "Farm Finance Specialists"
- 7.23 Resolution passed at Board of Directors meeting on November 12, 1958

Folder 8: Salary Computations

Lists of employees and salaries for 1956 and 1957

Folder 9: Banking Regulations

- 9.1 *Pratt's Letter* newsletter, June 1, 1957
- 9.2 Letter to Darwin Rust from Thomas M. Barger, Jr. of Livingston, Barger & Brandt, November 19, 1957, regarding securities

- 9.3 Pamphlet, Banking Law, State of Illinois, auditor's edition, 1930
- 9.4 Pamphlet, Illinois Banking Act, 1959
- 9.5 The Bank Where You Work, Marine Bank, booklet for employees

Folder 10: Checks

Cancelled checks from 1937

Folder 11: Advertising and Promotional Material

- 11.1 "A Modern Banking Institution," information and photos about the old McLean County Bank Building, *Daily Pantagraph*, 1936 Progress Edition
- 11.2 "End of an Era," ad in *Pantagraph*, November, 12, 1960
- 11.3 Cards - Samples, a reminder to save your pennies at McLean County Bank, 3 small pink cards
- 11.4 Newspaper ads and layout sheets for ads, undated
- 11.5 Two pamphlets advertising McLean County drive-in Bank
- 11.6 Pamphlet for Farm Management Credit Banking
- 11.7 Programs for two exhibits at the McLean County Bank's Fairway Gallery of Art: Bloomington Junior High School (June 27-July 27, 1962) and Metcalf Elementary School (December 15, 1962-January 11, 1963)

Folder 12: Personal

- 12.1 Several invoices, mostly for personal expenditures
- 12.2 Card for William T. Peterson, Ralston Purina Co.
- 12.3 Hog/Steer Chow Contract: several pages showing dissemination of copies
- 12.4 Newspaper photo of Bloomington Country Club's Junior Invitational, July 1, 1959
- 12.5 Letter to Howard Rust from U.S. Department of Agriculture with maps of recently purchased 80-acre farm, February 21, 1941
- 12.6 Letter from Illinois Agriculture Association, April 22, 1954, regarding joint checking account
- 12.7 Letter to Darwin from "Dad & Mother," March 5, 1940

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Specifications for Plumbing, Heating and Ventilating, and Electrical Work for McLean County Bank Building, February 1, 1960

Specifications for General Work for McLean County Bank Building, February 1, 1960

Planning Guide to Successful Motor Banking, undated