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Fleet’s New York State Bank Collection

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Bank Records

Board of Directors Minutes

1804-1885 (3 vols.)
1885 Jun - Jun 1910 (3 vol.)
1910 Jun - Dec 1924 (3 vol.)
1925-28 (1 vol.)
1929 Jan - Feb 1937 (1 vol.)

New York State Bank Financial Records

Cash book "A", 1803-1805
Discount Book "B", 1807-1809
Stock Register (with index book), 1803-1840 (1 vol.)
Stock Register, 1840-1847 (1 vol.)
Stock Transfer Register, 1851-1922 (1 vol.)

New York State National Bank Financial Records

Stock Ledger No. 2, 1908-1928 (1 vol.)
Stockholders Index (undated) (1 vol.)
Stock Transfer Record, 1928 Nov - Mar 1937 (1 vol.)
Stock Warrant Book, 1928 (1 vol.)
Common Capital Stock Certificates 3001-4000, 1932-1937 (2 vols.)
Common Capital Stock Certificates, 1937-1946 (1 vol.)
Stock and Dividend Register (alphabetical), 1928-1934 (2 vols.)
Record of Transfers of the Capital Stock, 1912-1928 (1 vol.)
Dividend Book, 1924-1938 (1 vol.)
Register of Transfers (numerical by certificate) (1 vol.)
Bank Public Relations Material

Bank History Publications

The Directors’ Room, booklet (2 copies: numbers 8 and 493 of 500), 20 pages, Nov. 19, 1929


State Bank of Albany: 1803-1953, Sesqui-Centennial: One Hundred and Fifty Years of Services and Progress, (Albany: 1953), three copies

Our 180th Anniversary: The State Bank of Albany, (Albany: 1983); three copies

Fleet/Norstar - The Norstar Banks of NYS - A Profile

Annual Reports

New York State National Bank

Report of President, 1940-1963 (missing 1942)

Statement of Condition, 1925; 1929-1959


Newsletters

Signature (State Bank of Albany) (complete sets, bound):
1963-1965
1966-1968
1969-1971
1971-1975

Signature (complete sets, unbound):

Signature (partial sets, unbound):
1955 - April
1956 - April & Nov.
1959 - April & July
1960 - Fall issue only
1961 - Summer, winter only
Newsletters, con’t.

Norstar News:
1984 - Feb, April, June, Sept, Oct, Dec
1985 - Feb, April, June, Aug, Oct, Dec
1986 - Aug, Sept, Nov, Dec
1987 - Jan, March, May, July, Sept, Oct, Nov

Norstar Plaza News
March 26, 1986; August 29, 1986; December 8, 1986

Inside Norstar - Capital District
Vol 1, No 1; Vol 1, No 4; Vol 1, No 5; April 1988
May 1988; June 1988; Vol 3 (red binder)

Inside Norstar - Eastern
May 1985; Dec 85; Vol 2 - 1986 (complete); Vol 3

4th Q 1986

Upstater (Fleet/Norstar):
Vol 1, No 1-3, 5 & 6; Vol 2, No 1 & 3; Vol 3, No 1-3, 1985-1988

Fleet Norstar Directions: 1st Q 1986 #1 Vol 1

Scrapbooks

One volume of miscellaneous material, includes:
Original 1803 agreement with Philip Hooker to build the original bank
Early stock certificates and drafts
Mortgage (1830) for the lot where 1926 -27 building went up
Various “bonds” from 1803 John Yates, John Lansing, Alexander Coffin, Enoch
Leonard, George Sharpe, and many others
Jan. 1, 1819 letter appointing Rufus King as the attorney to receive the
Revolutionary War pension of Nathaniel Williams

State Bank of Albany Clipping Books
1950-1952; 1953; 1954-1955; 1956-1957; 1958 (2 volumes); 1959; 1960; 1961;

Norstar Clippings, 1982-1984 (2 volumes)

Newspaper advertisements: 1935-1950

Fleet Bank: Clippings, 1984-1989; 1985-1987; advertising
clippings, 1987

Clippings related to bank closings and bank holidays, 1933
Photograph Albums

Book No. 1 “Photographs taken during Demolition of old building and construction of new bank building 1926-1927-1928,”

“New York State National Bank, Album No. 2”; presented to Ledyard Cogswell Sr., Christmas 1925

“Album presented to the State Bank of Albany by Harry W. Frazier of Menands” (photos taken by Glen Cook for the Foundation Company, General Contractors, for the 1926-27 demolition and construction at 69-75 State St., supplement the photos in albums 1 and 2 above)

“New York State National Bank, Albany, New York Album No. 3,” detailing the bank, its offices and employees, and scenes of Albany 1928-1935

“State Bank of Albany ‘State Bank Building’ as completed 1927-1928”

“State Bank of Albany Branch Offices and Other Real Estate”

“Current” (1960 & 1966)

“150th Anniversary Celebration” three memorabilia albums, 1953

“180th Anniversary Photo Album of State Bank of Albany Officers presented to Frank O’Dell”, 1983

Photographs, Negatives and Slides

Glass plate negatives (4 x 5 format):
   Clerks, A-G; P-Z
   Directors and Officers, E-M, M-S; T-Z
   Unidentified

Glass plate negatives, (5 x 7 format):
   Clerks, A-Z

“Photographs from 1953 brochure”: mechanicals used in publication

Glass negatives of bank and office interiors

Glass negatives of men

Film negatives of men (bank presidents?)

Film negatives of State Bank interiors (ten 8 x 10s, 1978) and Lithgow murals
Group of small-format portrait photographs, most identified on verso
Photographs, Negatives and Slides, con’t.

Four photographs: Delaware and Hudson Building (two prints); New York State Capitol from Empire State Plaza site; Wall Street, New York City

Glass slides, 8 x 10 inch format, taken in 1953 of Lithgow murals:

- Two sets of ten slides of demilune murals (one in wooden box, one in paper wrapper with string)
- One set of four slides of center and end mural panels
- One slide of ceiling murals
- One slide of Iwo Jima painting with paper print (also Lithgow?)
**Miscellaneous Bank History Material**

Harriet O’Brien. "One Hundred and Twenty-Five Years of the New York State National Bank of Albany", bound carbon typescript, 1928


Research and manuscript notebook of C.R. “Tip” Roseberry related to 150th Anniversary celebration and publications

*Certificate No. 1*, dated April 9, 1819, of the State of New York for $50,000, Stock of the State of New York registered in the name of The President, Directors & Co. of the New York State Bank, marked “Canceled July 2nd, 1819,” by the President of Mechanics Bank (which eventually merged into Brooklyn Trust Company). [With letter and memo explaining how these documents were presented to the State Bank of Albany; this appears to be the first stock certificate issued in 1819 by New York State to fund the building of the Erie Canal (“in pursuance of an Act...passed April 15th, 1817).]

*New York State Bank Certificate of Deposit No. 9*, dated May 10, 1865, for $50,000. Deposited by E. Wickes, Cashier (of National Commercial Bank) to the credit of the treasurer of the State of New York on account of Canal Funds.

Engraved bank note and stock certificate (20th century restrikes from 19th century plates, framed)

Several original drafts for various amounts signed by S or J Van Rensselaer in 1813, 1832 (2), 1844, and 1845

Bond for $51,048 for Ontario County dated 13 May 1828

Letter, August 4, 1824, addressed to the Comptroller of the State of New York

New York State National Bank - samples of check stock (1 piece)

"Personal Income Tax Record": premium given to customers of State Bank of Albany

State Bank of Albany: sample deposit slips

State Bank of Albany 175th anniversary Commemorative Dinner, Empire State Plaza Convention Center Hall, September 6, 1978: menu and program; photograph

**General Albany Local and Banking History Material**

*Historical Buildings of Albany, N.Y. Modeled by Paul Schrodt*, undated
Souvenir of the Hudson-Fulton Celebration, Albany, N.Y., October 7&8, 1909

Souvenir of the Dedication of the New York State Education Building, Albany October 15, 16, 17, 1912; hardcover, boxed

Albany’s Tercentenary, America’s Oldest City, 1624–1924; (Albany: J.B. Lyon Company, 1924)


Letter dated 5/26/98 from H.C. Eldridge offering employment to Thos. C. Perry of New Paltz selling desks for Higley & Eldridge, Albany


Edward J. Wall. 100 Memorable Years- Home Savings Bank of Upstate New York (1972)

Herzog, Lester W., Jr. 150 Years of Service and Leadership: The Story of National Commercial Bank and Trust Company (1975)

The Story of Our Murals: Cohoes Savings Bank (Cohoes: 1951)


Albany Times Union Anniversary edition, August 6, 1950

Letterhead with panoramic view of the City of Albany
Miscellaneous Records

Clearing House Association

Minutes, 1913-1927 (1 vol.)

Reconstruction Finance Corporation, 1933-1938

(one bundle of correspondence, contracts, and other documents)

War Finance Committee, United States Treasury
(Frederick McDonald, Chair of Region 5, Victory Fund Committee)

Correspondence, 1942-43 (7 folders)
Scrapbooks, 1942-43 (2 volumes)