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CONNOR LUMBER AND LAND COMPANY. RECORDS, 1872-1982. 65 c.f. (50 archives boxes, 3 record center cartons, 10 flat boxes, 133 loose volumes)

Abstract

Records, 1872-1982, of a lumber and lumber products business in northeastern Wisconsin and in the upper peninsula of Michigan, founded by Robert Connor and continued by his descendants, and of related companies and subsidiaries. Included are the records of the Connor Lumber and Land Company, Connor Forest Industries, and the R. Connor Company; and business and personal correspondence of family members and company executives William D. Connor, Sr.; William D. Connor, Jr.; Gordon R. Connor; and Richard M. Connor. Prominent correspondents include Robert M. LaFollette, Jr., Irvine L. Lenroot, Joshua Johns, Melvin Laird, Sr., Dean Witter, Lew Sarett and the Land O'Lakes Association. Documented are land and legal matters concerning the Forest Crop Act of 1927; depression-era business activities, reflected in the 77-B bankruptcy files of the R. Connor Co.; an organizing struggle in the late 1930s between the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners (A.F.L.) and the International Woodworkers of America (C.I.O.); a 1938 strike; and the 1940 National Labor Relations Board election. Material on the Connor family, as well as the related Brown, Roddis, Laird, Modrall, Rhyner, and Witter families, is included.

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## HISTORY

In the 1870s Robert, John, and James Connor arrived in Wood County in northern Wisconsin, settling in Auburndale in 1871. The brothers cleared land for farming, laid out a plan for the town, and purchased oak, maple, birch and pine forest lands. Robert and John operated a general store for about 4 years, after which Robert bought John's share and formed the R. Connor Company. The R. Connor Co. expanded with the purchase of a second-hand sawmill in 1876 and the addition of a planing mill and blacksmith shop in 1878.

As a result of the panic of 1882-83, John and James Connor moved to Iowa and Kansas. Robert Connor continued the business with his eldest son, William Duncan Connor (1864-1944), who concentrated on increasing timber purchases as his business strategy. When Robert Connor was elected to the Wisconsin State Legislature in 1888, William took over the management of the company. Two years later, William incorporated the company and in 1892 he became its president.

William D. Connor proceeded to expand the R. Connor Company and its holdings. He purchased lands along the Chicago and Northwestern Railway near the Rice Lake flowage. In 1891 he founded the village of Stratford in Marathon County. A new band sawmill was built. By 1894, the company was operating seven mills and had contracted the production from three additional mills for a combined annual production of 40 to 50 million board feet. At the same time, company houses, a company boarding house, a general store, and a post office were built in Stratford. The R. Connor Company also constructed the Marathon County Railway to connect with the Chicago and Northwestern, making possible the rail shipment of hardwoods from northern Wisconsin.

The R. Connor Company continued its expansion at a time when many other lumber companies suffered from the 1892-1893 panic and depression. William D. Connor purchased thousands of acres, often at reduced prices, in northern Ashland, Iron, and Forest counties as well as land in Florida, California, and British Columbia. As a result of these purchases, he had to resort to the use of lumber company "script" to pay the workers in 1892 and 1893, but the company survived the depression.

In 1896 William D. Connor founded Laona, a company town in northern Wisconsin. It was there, in 1900, that he founded the Connor Lumber and Land Company with a directorate separate from the R. Connor Company. The relationship between the Connor Lumber and Land Company and the R. Connor Company is uncertain. In 1902, the Connor Lumber and Land Company, in association with the R. Connor Company and the wholly-owned Marathon County Railway Company, formed the Laona and Northern Railway Company and built an eighteen mile line connecting the Chicago and Northwestern line to the Soo Line's Laona junction. As business improved in the first decade of the century, a cedar shingle mill was added and a large flooring factory was established. Company holdings diversified to include land, milling operations, retail lumber, a farm, the Hotel Gordon, banks, railroads, motor companies, a public utility, and an insurance company.

William D. Connor's two eldest sons, William D., Jr. and Richard M., began working in the Connor Lumber and Land Co. in the 1920s. William D. Connor, Sr. became president of a related company, the Canadian Puget Sound Lumber and

Timber Company, but his input into the original company he founded remained substantial. With William D. Connor, Jr. as general manager in Laona and Richard Connor as woods manager, the company continued its diversification into by-products such as sawdust, juvenile furniture, shingle tow, shavings, and maple heel stock. During the late 1920s, the Connor Lumber and Land Company became a pioneer in placing timberland under the Wisconsin Forest Crop Act and the Michigan Pearson Act. During this time, the lumber company began to apply principles of perpetual harvest selective cutting.

In the mid 1920s, William D. Connor, Sr. acquired hardwood stands in the Upper Peninsula for the R. Connor Co. Initially, the company disposed of logs through contracts with the Ford Motor Company, the Menasha Woodware Company, and the Duluth and South Shore Railway, but the Depression caused a decline in this market. During this critical period William D. Connor, Sr.'s youngest son, Gordon R. Connor, joined the family business. In 1929, after graduating from the University of Wisconsin in business administration and finance, he began managing the Stratford operations of the R. Connor Company. By 1934 the R. Connor Company ceased operations in Stratford and moved to its Michigan lands. A railway line and new mill were constructed on a site near Wakefield, named Connorville. The mill was barely in operation when in 1935 the R. Connor Company was placed under Section 77-B, a Depression-era form of semi-bankruptcy. A reorganization plan was eventually accepted and the company's assets were taken over by the Connor Lumber and Land Company. The Connor Lumber and Land Company's business, especially that of the Wakefield operation, improved after 1937.

An intense battle between the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners (A.F.L.) and the International Woodworkers of America (C.I.O.) to organize the company took place in 1937. A strike against the Laona operations was called in 1938, and the result was a victory by the C.I.O. in a National Labor Relations Board election in 1940.

Richard M. Connor succeeded William, Jr. as company manager when William, Jr. entered the Navy in 1942. Richard was an active leader in the Maple Floor Association. After William, Sr. died in 1944, Richard became president, and Gordon became the vice president. In 1946, Melvin Laird, Sr., who had served as corporate secretary, first for the R. Connor Company and later for Connor Lumber and Land Company, was succeeded in that post by his wife, Helen Connor Laird. In 1956 the Richard and Gordon Connor families bought out the interests of the Lairds, Modralls, Rhyners, and the William D. Connor, Jr. families and the company offices were moved from Marshfield to Wausau. The Connor company continued to expand its land holdings in Wisconsin and Michigan during the 1950s, despite the earlier loss of 5000 acres of land to the Michigan Porcupine Mountain State Wilderness Park (1944) and the sale of its Canadian interests (1945).

By the mid-1950s, the company's veneer and plywood manufacturing operations had closed, and a transition was made to kitchen cabinet production at the Wausau plant under the direction of Gordon P. Connor (a fourth generation family member). By 1965, when Richard M. Connor became chairman of the board and Gordon R. Connor company president, Laona operations included nursery furniture, lumber, flooring, wood flour, plastics, and other by-products. Gordon Connor was also active in industry affairs, serving as organizer and president of the Timber Producers Association of Upper Michigan and Wisconsin, as well as being active in several other industry organizations. To reflect its wider product diversification, in 1968 the Connor Lumber and Land Company

changed its name to Connor Forest Industries. A year later, the company began the manufacture of wood toys, puzzles, and blocks. Additional land in Michigan was purchased so that by 1972 the company owned nearly 250,000 acres of timber in Wisconsin and Michigan. In 1982, many of the Connor Forest Industries' interests were sold to a Swiss firm. Remaining in the Connor family is the "Camp Five" museum, established in Laona in 1969 as an educational, historical, and recreational complex designed to preserve the logging town as an historic site.

#### SCOPE AND CONTENT

The records of the Connor Lumber and Land Company consist of the records of the Connor Lumber and Land Company, Connor Forest Industries, the R. Connor Company, and various subsidiary and related interests. The records date mainly from the 1920s to the 1940s. Because Connor Lumber and Land Company was a family business, with many subsidiaries and with family members participating in the management of their diverse interests, the records of the various concerns often overlap. However, the records have been arranged according to the company or individual that maintained the files. The four series in the collection are: CONNOR LUMBER AND LAND COMPANY, R. CONNOR COMPANY, SUBSIDIARY AND RELATED INTERESTS, and TOWN OF LAONA RECORDS.

The CONNOR LUMBER AND LAND COMPANY records are the most extensive records in the collection and are arranged by record type and subject: background, correspondence, land, legal, financial, logging, plant operations and production, and labor records. Historical background materials include a company history written in 1972, as well as writings and publications by family members. The correspondence forms the core of the collection and is comprised of the correspondence of family members William D. Connor, Sr., William D. Connor, Jr., Richard M. Connor, and Gordon R. Connor as well as general business correspondence, manager L. D. Beard's files, and inter-office correspondence. The correspondence consists of incoming and outgoing letters and is organized chronologically and alphabetically thereunder by correspondent. As a whole, the correspondence provides excellent documentation of the business practices of the company from 1914 to 1951. The correspondence of the family members is particularly valuable because it is often written to other family members and details company management decision-making and policy development in addition to family matters.

William D. Connor, Sr.'s correspondence files, 1924 to 1937, document his involvement in local politics, national issues, and business matters. Notable correspondents are Robert M. LaFollette, Jr. and Irvine L. Lenroot. Extensive letters to his sons detailing his business perspective, advice, and management style are located in his sons' correspondence files.

The correspondence of William D. Connor, Jr. extends from 1919 to 1941 and contains letters between Connor, his father and brothers, as well as political and business colleagues. For the 1920s many letters concern the promotion of tourism and Forest County politics. Tourism materials include correspondence with the Wisconsin Land O'Lakes, an agency established to encourage recreational use of northern Wisconsin, and letters to Lew Sarett, a popular poet brought in to publicize the area. Business activities and the reorganization of the R. Connor Company are the main subjects of the 1930s.

The 1938 to 1941 files contain important materials on the Connor Lumber and Land negotiations with the A.F.L. and C.I.O. locals and on the National Labor Relations Board election. Noteworthy political correspondents include Robert M. LaFollette, Jr. and Irvine L. Lenroot for the year 1926. The 1941 file includes letters from a cousin, Elizabeth Witter, who was living in occupied France.

Richard M. Connor's correspondence is largely from the years 1938 to 1948. The letters deal extensively with labor relations and labor strategy during the years 1938 to 1940 and the 1938 file on the C.I.O. is of special note. Correspondents include Joshua Johns, Alexander Wiley and Dean Witter.

The correspondence files of Gordon R. Connor are fragmentary, containing only a few files from 1921 to 1951 on financial aspects of the business such as the division of shares among the family members and the operations of the Canadian Puget Sound Lumber and Timber Company from 1932 to 1948. Gordon's diary notes on the Depression, 1929-1931, are also included.

The General Business Correspondence, 1914-1944, contains routine business communications concerning sales and production documenting the Connor family's manner of doing business. Also discussed within this context are the Forest Crop Law, child labor laws, payment of teachers with credit during the Depression, and the National Recovery Act. Company manager L. D. Beard's files, 1924-1933, are arranged by subject and include correspondence concerning the R. Connor Company reorganization and the union arbitration in 1942. Inter-office files, 1928-1933, contain the important memoranda circulated within the company iterating company policy and its implementation.

The Land Records, in volume form, provide documentation of the land holdings of the company from 1900 to 1911. They are complemented by the Legal Records on the placing of lands under the Forest Crop Act for the period from 1928 to 1935. Other legal files include legal opinions, files on specific cases such as the Kingston case of 1919-1921, and contracts. The latter category includes information on the bids for construction of Civilian Conservation Corps camps, 1933-1934. Court records on the appeal in Gogebic County, Michigan, in 1944 of the loss of 5000 acres of land to the Porcupine Mountain State Wilderness Park complete the section.

The Financial Records are not complete, but do touch on nearly every aspect of the financial operation of the company. The mixed nature of the business interests of the family results in overlap with financial records of the R. Connor Company and the subsidiary interests. The key financial file for establishing the organization of the company's finances can be found in the reserve balance sheet of 1927. The most analytical and summary of the financial records are the accounting statements, especially the cost and comparative statements and the trial balances. Spanning the years 1901 to 1946, these statements, when used in conjunction with the financial reports and audits, provide a complete year by year analysis of the performance of the company. Fortunately, the Depression years are particularly well covered. Other financial records include lumber sales data (1901-1955), and production records of the sawmill (1901-1931) and the flooring mill (1924-1927 and 1948-1956). Scattered journals detail expenses for 1912; shipping, 1941-1943; wholesale sales, 1932-1961; and wood sales to employees, 1924-1948.

Production is documented by logging and plant operations records. Logging records, 1914-1939, illustrate both the timber cruise (or evaluation process) and log cutting aspects of the business. Included in the records are detailed timber cruise reports on a county or township basis, lumber cut and loaded, and the costs of maintaining the logging camps. Plant Operation files provide detail on the production process. Physical plant records include supplier correspondence from 1925 to 1941 and equipment inventories for 1928 and 1930. The manufacture of by-products is extensively documented for the years 1929 to 1939 in the product files, which are organized by specific product such as cedar shingle, heel stock, juvenile furniture, sawdust, and wood flour.

The Labor Records give valuable information on an organizing effort at the company from 1937 to 1940. The struggle between the A.F.L. (United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners) and the C.I.O. (International Woodworkers of America) is documented by literature collected by the company. The company's perspective on their role and on the National Labor Relations Board case can be found in the key files on the National Labor Relations Board, which contain notes the company made for its testimony at the hearing. Ample material is available on employee relations in general including health, injuries, grievances, specific cases, and unemployment compensation. Other important files include those on the plans for company housing and on the activities of the Connor Labor Protective Association, formed by the Connor company. Wage surveys, plans, and cost comparisons complete the labor records. Related information on labor relations can be found in the correspondence of the company executives.

The R. CONNOR COMPANY records are comprised of correspondence, legal files, and financial records. The correspondence is limited to the period from 1915 through 1934 for the Marshfield office and for 1934 for the Stratford office. While the correspondence primarily concerns routine matters, it is often directed to other company officials and illustrates company policy. The Legal Files provide detailed documentation of the financial difficulties of the company during the Depression which led to its declaration of a 77-B bankruptcy in 1935. Reorganization plans, agreements, bonds, and creditor relations are well documented in these files as well. Financial Records of the company provide a more complete record of the daily financial operation than do the records of the Connor Lumber and Land Company. General accounting records from 1922 to 1934, lumber sales for 1918 to 1927, and payroll records for 1932 to 1939 are complemented by financial records from five offices of the company. Detailed payroll ledgers exist for Auburndale (1923-1934), Connorville (1928-1937), and Wakefield (1927-1928) as well as the camp expense journal for Wakefield (1926-1931). The Marshfield and Stratford offices are more thoroughly documented. For Marshfield, there is a land record (1902-1908), freight claims (1930-1933) and an extensive run of journals (1899-1948). Stratford operations are documented with a land record (1907-1912), journals (1900-1910, 1919-1927), and general and expense ledgers (1910-1927). All are in volume form. A related series of records can be found in the financial records of the Connor Lumber and Land Company.

SUBSIDIARY AND RELATED INTEREST files document many topics, but for each company are limited to partial records. As a whole, however, they illustrate the scope of the business activities of the Connor business empire and they provide some detail on the operations of the companies. The Biever Motor Company records consist of routine business and sales correspondence

(1917-1928), financial records (1923-1928), and sales reports. The Brown Brothers Lumber Company files are fairly extensive since the Connor family owned stock in the company and sat on the board of directors. The records consist of a board of directors' file (1941), correspondence (1933-1942), detailed files on the estate problems (1939-1944), financial records (1933-1942), and legal records (1935-1943). The significant records for the Canadian Puget Sound Lumber and Timber Company include a board of directors' file (1941-1945), correspondence (1945-1946), financial records (1943-1945), and partnership records (1942-1945). Connor Brothers Inc., a holding company for the family, is documented only by a journal and ledger for the years 1937 to 1947.

Connor Builder's Supply Company, Connor Farms, Connor Retail Yard, Laona State Bank, Laona Store, and Security Insurance Agency are primarily represented by financial records detailing the financial operations of the companies, although a limited amount of correspondence may also be included. More complete records exist for the railroads. The Laona and Northern Railroad records consist of financial records from 1903 to 1910 and letterpress correspondence regarding both operations and shipments for the years 1902 to 1935. For the Marathon County Railroad, both ledgers and journals for the years 1903 to 1928 are available. There is also a substantial body of material on the Laona Public Service Utility, including annual reports (1929-1935), correspondence (1925-1937), and financial records (1932-1936).

A small quantity of subject files concerning the TOWN OF LAONA contain information on public schools, relief work, and the proposed organization of a town of Independence in Laona in 1923 to 1929.

#### Related Sources

A Century with Connor Timber, Connor Forest Industries, 1872-1972, by Mary Roddis Connor, Wausau, 1972.

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