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Guide to MS627 Otto H. Thorman collection

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1919 – 1940 Span Dates,
1919 – 1927 Bulk Dates,

2.5 inches (linear)

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Donated by Richard Worthington

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Biography or Historical Sketch

Otto H. Thorman, an important and successful architect, was born on April 12, 1887 in Missouri and passed away on March 11, 1966 in El Paso. He opened his architectural business in El Paso in 1911 and remained in the city until his death. Thorman's work was usually in the Pueblo and Spanish styles of architecture. Although Thorman mainly designed residences, he also designed the Woman's Club of El Paso building in 1916, the El Paso Free Public Library, and the Woman's Club of Ysleta building. Most of his projects were in the El Paso area though Thorman also worked in other areas of the southwestern United States.

[Source: Otto H. Thorman records finding aid; Woman's Club of El Paso web site]

Series Description or Arrangement

This collection is minimally processed.

Scope and Content Notes

The Otto H. Thorman collection dates 1919 – 1940, bulk 1919 – 1927. Types of records include invoices, weekly payroll receipts, city permits, and correspondence. These materials primarily relate to Thorman's work on the Dr. H.H. Stark residence on Austin Terrace. The collection also includes some correspondence from the Marr Mortgage Loan Company to Bertha Thomlinson in 1940.

Provenance Statement

Donated by Richard Worthington on January 11, 2016. He purchased these materials at an estate sale.

Restrictions

None.

Literary Rights Statement

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Notes to the Researcher

See also Otto H. Thorman records, MS 147, Box 21, Folders 22 & 23, for more materials about the Dr. H.H. Stark project on Austin Terrace.

Container List

Box #	Folder #	Title	Date
1	1	Weekly payroll records	about 1919 – 1920
1	2	Correspondence, invoices, and permits	about 1919 – 1940
1	3	Correspondence, invoices, and permits	about 1919 – 1940
1	4	Correspondence, invoices, and permits	about 1919 – 1940