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Construction of Victor Residences, 1918-1921

This series consists of materials relating to the construction of two homes in River Forest, Illinois for Paul F. Victor, Sr. The homes were located at 930 Ashland and at 1345 Park Avenue and will be referred to by these addresses.

Oversize materials

Architectural drawings

- Harry F. Robinson, Hand colored blueprint, 930 Ashland, January 21, 1919
- Layout design on beige paper, 930 Ashland, January 28, 1919 [2 copies]
- Drawing for music corner ceiling design in living room, 930 Ashland, undated
- Hand colored drawings of home, undated [3 pages] (*removed for conservation as of October 2018*)

Blueprints

- Type of blueprint, 930 Ashland, undated [3 pages; includes pencil drawing of layout on back of third page]
- Arthur B. Marwurm, Blueprints for home at 1345 Park Avenue, undated [6 pages]

Furniture

Alfonso Ianelli, Blueprints for dining room buffet and server

Alfonso Ianelli, Blueprints for dining room table and chairs

Digital documents

Photographs of Ianelli dining room chair [2 photos]

Box 1

Home utilities

Letter from Dean Electrical to Harry F. Robinson regarding cost of electrical and phone labor, May 28, 1920

Letter from Harry F. Robinson to Paul F. Victor Sr., regarding cost of electrical work, June 1, 1920

Letter from Thomas J. Douglass & Co. to Paul F. Victor Sr., regarding final certificate for heating system, August 9, 1920

State of Illinois, County of Cook Certificate Waiver of Lien, indicating successful installation of heating system, August 18, 1921

Financial records

Paul F. Victor Sr., Accounting journal of construction expenses for 930 Ashland, 1919-1922

Correspondence

Letter from Harry F. Robinson to Paul F. Victor Sr., January 10, 1919

Letter from Harry F. Robinson to Paul F. Victor Sr., January 21, 1919

Digital documents

Mixed materials

Village of River Forest, Building permit, May 1919 [includes drawing of South Elevation Scheme 4]

Article from *The Economist* announcing purchase of land for 930 Ashland, 1918 [PDF format]

Renovation and Preservation Efforts, 1978, 2002, 2015

This series consists of materials relating to efforts to renovate and preserve the Victor residence at 930 Ashland.

Box 1

Renovation work

Photographs of 930 Ashland during renovation, February 2002

40 prints, 4x6 inches [digital copies also included]

46 prints, 4x7 inches

3 prints, 4x11.5 inches

Preservation and demolition

Print photograph of 930 Ashland prior to demolition, Illinois, 2015

Digital documents

Letter from Jim Robinson to Paul F. Victor Jr., regarding 930 Ashland, May 1 1978 [PDF format]

Jim Robinson, File note on visit with Paul F. Victor Jr., regarding blueprints and possible Frank Lloyd Wright visit to 930 Ashland property [PDF format]
 Letter from AVRA Properties to Village of River Forest Historic Preservation Commission, regarding Certificate of Appropriateness for 930 Ashland, July 6, 2015 [PDF format]
 Digital photographs of 930 Ashland prior to demolition, 2015
 Two handwritten lists of information on 930 Ashland, undated [PDF format]
 Short horizontal note in pencil describing blueprints
 Longer note with descriptions of the home not shown on blueprints and thoughts on Paul F. Victor Sr.'s possession of Frank Lloyd Wright blueprints

Personal and Professional Materials, 1920-1922

Box 1

Photographs

Photographs of 930 Ashland and the Victor family, 1920-1922 [5 photos; digital copies also included]

Financial records

Receipt for annual dues to Illinois Audubon Society, 1922
 Joseph H. Dodson, invoice for 20 birdhouses, undated

Mixed materials

Pamphlet for Fourth Annual Exhibition of Nature Studies at the Chicago Art Institute, December 17, 1921-January 18, 1922
 Paul F. Victor River Forest driver's license, 1921

Box 2

Correspondence

Bound books of carbon copies of correspondence regarding Paul F. Victor Sr.'s roles as Treasurer and Secretary of Victor Gasket Company and correspondence related to the construction of 930 Ashland.

March 1920-August 1920

Box 3

August 1920-February 1921