Collection No. 132 ~ Manuscript 01/25/2014 Other# **Object name 2 Refer code Object name 3** 2013-135-001 Accession# **Received** as Donation Accession date 03/27/2013 C. Ryman Herr Source Creditline Home loc Vault 1 **Identity Statement:**

Title: Herr and Fisher Papers Extent of the unit of description: 1 box; .5 linear feet

Scope & Content / Abstract:

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This collection is comprised of legal invoices and notes, public utility correspondence, a petition against proposed dam works, and other correspondence. The collection is a compilation of small donations from C. Ryman Herr, and most of the material was a function of his position as partner in the law firm of Herr and Fisher, Flemington, NJ. This collection would interest anyone researching Herr and Fisher, or Hunterdon County Public Utility Commission projects.

Scope and Content:

This is a collection donated by C. Ryman Herr over the course of six months to the Hunterdon County Historical Society. The dates of the collection range from 1929-1947. This collection contains important information regarding the Herr and Fisher law firm and legal correspondence between clients such as invoices, Public Utility Commission letters and maps.

Folders numbered 3-12 are mainly legal letters, invoices, records, notes, and court appeareances pertaining to cases in which the Herr and Fisher law firm were involved in. These folders would be important for any person researching the Herr and Fisher law firm or a functioning law firm of the period.

Folder number 2 contains significant Public Utility Commission records. Herr served on the board of Public Utility Commissioners starting in 1930. This was an important time for the public utility and citizens of NJ as major projects were being proposed while others were being shut down. One such project was the proposed Bunvale/Califon dam. This folder contains not only the proposal by the NJ state water supply authority but also the petition of hundreds of citizens rejecting the dam.

Furthermore, NJ railroads were going through a major transformation. Within this folder are cost efficency analysis of specific routes and the proposed cessation of other routes. One such route was the passenger train of the South Branch Railroad regarding the route between Flemington and Somerville. A central bus route map, containing stops and routes is also in this folder. The South Branch Railroad and public utility works experienced transformational issues at this juncture and therefore this folder would be a significant contribution to any person researching the history of NJ railroads or public utility projects.

In folder number 1 are three letters from H. Norman Schwarzkopf, father of General Norman Schwarzkopf, to Rymann Herr in which Schwazkopf responded to inquiries made by Herr about a client's arrest. H. Norman Schwarzkopf was the colonel and superintendent of the NJ State Police. These letters would be important to anyone researching the NJ State Police or the life of General Norman Schwarzkopf.

Context:

Administrative / Biographical history: C. Rymann Herr was born in Flemington, NJ. Herr was a member of the public utility commission starting in 1930. Herr attended Princeton University and later Yale University. Herr was a practicing lawyer of the Herr and Fisher law firm of Flemington NJ. C. Rymann Herr currently resides in Hunterdon County.

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