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COTTONWOOD COUNTY
Independent School District No. 177, Windom
An Inventory of Its Records

OVERVIEW OF THE RECORDS

Agency: Minnesota. Independent School District No. 177 (Windom).
Series Title: Records,
Dates: 1886-1981.
Quantity: 7.75 cu. ft. (8 boxes and 1 partial box).
Location: See Detailed Description section for box locations.

ADMINISTRATIVE HISTORY OF ISD No. 177

Originally Joint Independent Consolidated School District No. 6 of Cottonwood and Jackson Counties; became Independent School District No. 176 in September 1957. On October 15, 1958, changed to Independent School District No. 177.

SCOPE AND CONTENTS OF THE RECORDS

Minutes (1886-1965, 1968-1980); financial records (1912-1981); census (1913-1936, 1974-1975); attendance registers (1952-1955); building appraisals (1955-1967, scattered); library accession record (1901-1953); extracurricular financial records (1917-1944); citizen's (1960) and recreation (1946-1964) committees records; consolidation materials (1950-1966); district scrapbooks (1948-1953); junior high school newsletter *The Chatterbox* (1939-1941); and studies and programs (1948-1971) dealing with the proposed district, building program, bonds, and planning.

RELATED MATERIALS

The high school newspaper, *The Tattler*, is available on microfilm (cataloged separately).

Additional district records are in the Cottonwood County Historical Society, Windom, MN.

INDEX TERMS

This collection is indexed under the following headings in the catalog of the Minnesota Historical Society. Researchers desiring materials about related topics, persons or places should search the catalog using these headings.

Topics:

School bonds--Minnesota--Cottonwood County.
School buildings--Minnesota--Cottonwood County--Valuation.
School facilities--Minnesota--Cottonwood County--Planning.
School libraries--Minnesota--Cottonwood County.
Schools--Centralization--Minnesota--Cottonwood County.
Schools--Minnesota--Cottonwood County--Finance.
Student activities--Minnesota--Cottonwood County--Finance.
Student newspapers and periodicals--Minnesota--Cottonwood County.
Students--Minnesota--Cottonwood County--Registers.

Places:

Windom (Minn.).

Organizations:

Minnesota. Independent School District No. 176 (Windom).
Joint Independent Consolidated School District No. 6 of Cottonwood and Jackson Counties (Windom, Minn.).

Types of Documents:

School census--Minnesota--Cottonwood County.
Scrapbooks--Minnesota--Cottonwood County.

Titles:

The chatterbox.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Preferred Citation:

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See the Chicago Manual of Style for additional examples.

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DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE COLLECTION

Note to Researchers: To request materials, please note both the location and box numbers shown below.

Location	Box	Contents
106.H.16.4F	1	Minutes, 1886-1965. 14 volumes, 4 folders. #1. April 1886 - May 1905. Labeled "Record." #2. June 1905 - July 1919. Labeled "Record." #3. August 1919 - February 1930. Labeled "Record." #6. March 1930 - July 1941. --. July 1941 - July 1952.
102.I.14.6F	2	July 1952 - June 1961. 9 volumes: 1 per year. July 1961 - June 1965. 4 folders. [July 1965 - June 1968 missing] Minutes and Agendas, July 1968 - June 1971. 6 folders.
102.I.14.7B	3	Minutes and Agendas, July 1971 - December 1980. 19 folders.
102.I.14.8F	4	Audit Reports, 1951-1975, 1981. 5 folders. Budgets, 1954-1968. 1 folder. Building Appraisals, 1955, 1956, 1960, 1961, 1963, 1965, 1967. 3 folders. Citizens' Committee. Minutes and Correspondence, 1960. 1 folder. Citizens' Committee. Bond Issue Scrapbook, 1960. 1 folder. Consolidation Issues, 1950-1966. 5 folders. General and specific consolidation matters, especially the consolidation with Bingham Lake. Consolidation Issues: Closure of Rural Schools, 1958-1959. 2 folders. Correspondence and related materials regarding the closeout of the following rural districts: #350-356, 359-361, 700, 707, 709, and Independent School District No. 329 (Wilder). Consolidation Issues: Maps of the Windom District, undated and 1954-1961. 1 folder.

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102.I.14.8F	4	Studies and Programs, 1948-1971. 1 folder. "Proposed Windom School District," 1948. "Amended Report for the Proposed Windom School District," 1948. "A School Building Program for the Windom Public Schools" (University of Minnesota), 1950. Bond Election Brochure, 1952. "Next Steps in School Planning...." (University of Minnesota), Jan. 1960. Bond Election Brochure, 1960. "New School Building Proposal for the Windom Schools" (University of Minnesota), 1966. Bond Election Brochure, 1968. Dedication Program for Windom Area High School, 1971. Treasurer's Reports, 1912, 1923-1928, 1931-1934. 1 folder. Recreation Committee. Minutes, June 1946-Aug. 1964. 2 folders. Recreation Committee. Annual Reports (1962/1963, 1963/1964) and Financial Reports, 1957/1958, 1963. 1 folder. The Recreation Committee was an organization sponsored jointly by the city of Windom and the Windom School District.
106.H.16.3B-2	5	Library Accession Records: [#1] 1901-1934 (volume)
102.I.14.8F	4	Volume II. 1934-1947 (volume) 1947-1953 (folder)

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106.H.16.3B-2	5	Census, 1913-1935/1936 (incomplete). 19 volumes and 2 folders. 1913 (folder) 1914 (folder) 1916 1917 1918 1919 1920 1921 1922 1923 1924 1925 1926 1927 1928/1929 1929/1930 1931/1932 1932/1933 1933/1934 1934/1935 1935/1936
102.I.14.9B	7	Census, 1974-1975. 2 folders.
106.H.16.5B-1	6	District Scrapbooks, 1948-1953. 3 volumes. July 1948-July 1949 July 1949-June 1951 July 1951-Jan. 1953
106.H.16.3B-2	5	Attendance Registers, 1952-1955. 5 volumes. Junior High, 1952/1953 Senior High, 1952/1953 1953/1954 (2 volumes) 1954/1955

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102.I.14.9B	7	Publications: The Chatterbox, Junior High School [newsletter], 1939-1941. 1 folder. Ledgers, 1917-1945. 5 volumes. Mainly extracurricular accounts. 1917-1925 1925-1934 1931-1942 1941-1945 1942-1944 <i>[box part empty]</i>
106.H.16.5B-2	8	Register of Receipts and Disbursements, 1915-1932. 7 volumes, 1 package. Clerk's, May 1915 - June 1922. Clerk's, July 1922 - December 1926.
106.H.16.6F-1	[9]	Clerk's, Dec. 1926-Jan. 1932.