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Insurance Companies Investigation Files L0181**

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Overview of the Records

Repository:	New York State Archives
Summary:	The committee investigated the investment activities of the insurance industry as it related to funds available for mortgages and investments in housing. This series details the financial activities of life, fire, and marine insurance companies through correspondence and financial records. Included are detailed financial records, primarily from life insurance companies, and information on real estate investments.
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Arrangement

Alphabetical by insurance company name or type.

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Scope and Content Note

This series details the financial activities of life, fire, and marine insurance companies through correspondence and financial records. The committee, known as the "Lockwood Committee" for chairman Charles C. Lockwood, investigated the investment activities of the insurance industry as it related to funds available for mortgages and investments in housing.

The committee wanted to identify and eliminate investment practices that were deleterious to the housing market. Detailed financial records, predominantly for life insurance companies, reveal the types of investments (principally the purchase of municipal, state, and federal government bonds) each company made over a span of years, often from as early as 1906 through 1919. Information on real estate investments is also found with some companies' records. The series includes information from out-of-state insurance companies also.

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Other Finding Aids

Available at Repository

Folder list is available at the repository.

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Use of Records

Access Restrictions

There are no restrictions regarding access to or use of this material.

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Microfilm is available for use at the New York State Archives or through interlibrary loan.

Administrative Information

Custodial History

This series was originally accessioned as part of boxes 22, 24-25, 25a, 26, 26a, 27-28, 28a, 29-31, 31a, 32-34, and 42 of accession -216, old collection #405.

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Access Terms

- Life insurance--Law and legislation--New York (State)
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- Life insurance--New York (State)
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- Casualty insurance--New York (State)
- Housing policy--New York (State)
- New York (State)
- Fire insurance--New York (State)
- Investigating housing
- Fire insurance--Law and legislation--New York (State)