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The First National Bank of Galveston was the first bank to be chartered by the new state of Texas. It operated from the time of charter in 1865 until it merged with Hutchings-Sealy National Bank in 1958. A distinguished group of early Galvestonians were the founders of the bank. These included Thomas McMahon, George Ball, Allen Lewis, Bivin H. Davis, Levi H. Wood, Prosper B. Shaw and William Pitt Ballinger.

Our holdings comprise two distinct groups of records. The first, from 1879 to 1899, was a period of financial instability for the institution, and the papers held are reports to the Comptroller of the Currency of the United States Treasury regarding the condition of the bank. Many of these reports include manuscript lists of the bank officers and/or directors with amount of individual liability to the bank recorded. Many also include telegrams from the Comptroller of the Currency calling for a report at the close of business on a given day.

The second record group covers the period 1946-1955, just a few years before the merger with the Hutchings-Sealy National Bank. Holdings are ledger sheets and work sheets used in preparation of annual, mid year, and special reports and income tax returns.



Profit and loss statements, cash short and cash over statements, payroll schedules, dividend reports, real estate reports, statements of bonds sold and due, and advertising records are among the types of work papers present. It was a period of post-World War II inflation; the papers may help assess the impact of this financial strain on the Galveston financial community. The development and patterns of salaries in this period may be of special interest.

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Box	FF	Description	Dates Begin/End
1	1	Report of Dividends and Earnings	6/30/1879
	2	" " " " "	9/30/1879
	3	" " " " "	12/31/1879
	4	Letter from Comptroller of Currency	4/23/1880
	5	Report of Condition of Bank	6/11/1880
	6	" " " " "	10/1/1880
	7	Report of Condition, Dividends and Earnings	12/31/1880
	8	Report of the Condition of the Bank	3/11/1881
	9	" " " " " " "	5/6/1881
	10	" " " " " " "	6/30/1881
	11	Report of the Receipts and Payments	9/17/1881
	12	Report of the Condition of the Bank	10/1/1881
	13	" " " " " " "	12/31/1881
	14	" " " " " " "	3/11/1882
	15	" " " " " " "	5/19/1882
	16	" " " " " " "	7/1/1882
	17	" " " " " " "	10/3/1882
	18	" " " " " " "	12/31/1882
	19	" " " " " " "	3/13/1883
	20	" " " " " " "	5/1/1883
	21	" " " " " " "	6/22/1883
	22	" " " " " " "	10/2/1883
	23	" " " " " " "	12/30/1883
	24	" " " " " " "	3/7/1884
	25	" " " " " " "	4/24/1884
	26	" " " " " " "	6/20/1884
	27	Semi-Annual Return of Circulation Subject to Duty	7/1/1884
	28	Report of the Condition of the Bank	9/30/1884
	29	" " " " " " "	12/20/1884
	30	" " " " " " "	3/10/1885

Box	FF	Description	Dates Begin/End
1	31	Report of the Condition of the Bank	5/6/1885
	32	Comptroller of Currency Request for Information	6/12/1885
	33	Report of the Condition of the Bank	7/1/1885
	34	" " " " " " "	10/1/1885
	35	" " " " " " "	12/24/1885
	36	" " " " " " "	3/1/1886
	37	" " " " " " "	6/3/1886
	38	" " " " " " "	8/27/1886
	39	" " " " " " "	10/7/1886
	40	" " " " " " "	12/28/1886
	41	" " " " " " "	3/4/1887
	42	" " " " " " "	5/13/1887
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	58	" " " " " " "	7/18/1890
	59	" " " " " " "	10/2/1890
	60	" " " " " " "	12/19/1890
	61	Reports of Earnings and Dividends	12/31/1890
	62	Report of the Condition of the Bank	2/26/1891
	63	" " " " " " "	5/4/1891
	64	" " " " " " "	7/9/1891
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	66	" " " " " " "	12/2/1891
	67	" " " " " " "	3/1/1892
	68	" " " " " " "	5/17/1892
	69	" " " " " " "	7/12/1892
	70	" " " " " " "	9/30/1892

Box	FF	Description	Dates Begin/End
1	71	Report of the Condition of the Bank	12/9/1892
	72	Report with Directors Liabilities	3/6/1893
	73	" " " "	5/4/1893
	74	" " " "	10/3/1893
	75	Report of the Condition of the Bank	12/19/1893
	76	Report with list of Payers and Guarantors	7/12/1893
	77	Report with Telegram	2/28/1894
	78	Report with Directors Liabilities	5/4/1894
	79	Report with Telegram	7/18/1894
	80	Report with Liabilities and telegram	10/2/1894
	81	" " " " "	12/19/1894
	82	Corporate Income Tax Return, 1894	2/4/1895
	83	Report with Directors Liabilities	3/5/1895
	84	" " " "	5/7/1895
	85	Report with Liabilities and telegram	7/11/1895
	86	Report with Liabilities	9/28/1895
	87	" " "	12/13/1895
	88	Report with Liabilities and telegram	2/28/1896
	89	" " "	5/7/1896
	90	" " "	7/14/1896
	91	" " "	10/6/1896
	92	Report with Liabilities and telegram	12/17/1896
	93	" " " " "	3/9/1897
	94	Report with Directors Liabilities	5/14/1897
	95	" " " "	6/30/1897
	96	Report with Liabilities and telegram	7/23/1897
	97	" " " " "	10/5/1897
	98	Report with Liabilities	12/15/1897
	99	" " "	2/18/1898
	100	Report with Liabilities and telegram	5/5/1898
	101	Report with Liabilities	7/14/1898
	102	" " "	9/20/1898
	103	Report with Liabilities and telegram	12/1/1898
	104	" " " " "	2/4/1899
	105	" " " " "	4/5/1899
	106	Report with Liabilities	9/7/1899
	107	" " "	12/2/1899
	108	Income Tax Return, 1946	1946
	109	Statement of Corporation Stocks and Bonds	12/31/1946
	110	Income Tax Work Sheets	1946

