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## Biographical / Historical

The Journeyman Stonecutters Association of North America is an organization representing the interests of workers who cut stone, and who carve statues and column capitals for ornamenting buildings. Founded in 1853, it is the oldest active union in North America, many of its individual locals having formed in the 1820s and 30s. By the 1960s union membership declined as a consequence of changing architectural tastes. It then merged with the Laborers International Union of North America (LIUNA).

## Scope and Contents

Administrative labor union records of the local Wheeling branch of the Journeyman Stonecutters Association. Representing the interests of workers who cut and carve stone to ornament buildings, the Association is the oldest active union in North America, having been founded in 1853. Series in this collection include constitution and by-laws, strike file (1894), correspondence, ephemera, minutes, financial ledgers, roll call ledger, and oversize (including cash ledger and monthly reports). The minute book (recorded into a ledger) documents in some detail activities of the Wheeling local for the period 1891-1904.

## Keywords

Wheeling (W. Va.)

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## Description of Subordinate Components

### **Series 1. Constitution and By-Laws**

**Unit ID** [Archival Resource Key](#)

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/187825

**Unit Date** circa 1890-1909

**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)

**Container** 1-2 (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

This series contains pamphlets from both the national office and the Wheeling Branch.

### **Series 2. Agreement**

**Unit ID** [Archival Resource Key](#)

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/187826

**Unit Date** 1893-1894

**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)

**Container** 3a (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

This series includes agreement with the Ohio County Stone Contractors and Quarrymens Association.

### **Series 3. Strike File**

**Unit ID** [Archival Resource Key](#)

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/187827

**Unit Date** 1894

**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)

**Container** 3b (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

This series includes a few pieces of correspondence.

### **Series 4. Correspondence**

**Unit ID** [Archival Resource Key](#)

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/187828

**Unit Date** 1902-1906

**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)

**Container** 4-5 (Folder)

### **Series 5. Miscellaneous Financial Ledger Pages**

**Unit ID** [Archival Resource Key](#)

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/187829

**Unit Date** 1904-1906

**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)

**Container** 6 (Folder)

### **Series 6. Ephemera**

**Unit ID** [Archival Resource Key](#)

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/187830

**Unit Date** 1891-1913

**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)

**Container** 7-10 (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

This series includes an unfolded scrapbook and union traveling cards and contribution cards. It also includes folder of material deemed to have "graphic interest" (box 1, folder 10); this folder contains, among other items, a receipt for "Levy for Louisville and Nashville Lockout" (1891); and a receipt for payment to "Little Falls Strikers Defence Fund" (Little Falls, New York, 1912). The scrapbook was

assembled by the donor, and includes mostly an extensive set of union traveling cards.

### **Series 7. Minutes**

**Unit ID** [Archival Resource Key](#)

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/187831

**Unit Date** 1891-1904

**Mixed Materials** 2 (Box)

**Container** 1-2 (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

This series includes one large ledger containing minutes of the Wheeling Branch for period 1891 February-1904 January and a small pocket book with short entries for circa 1893-1894.

### **Series 8. Financial Ledgers**

**Unit ID** [Archival Resource Key](#)

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/187832

**Unit Date** circa 1890-1894, undated

**Mixed Materials** 2 (Box)

**Container** 3-4 (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

Entries in these ledgers document mostly the collection of membership dues and also include names of members.

### **Series 9. Roll Call Ledger**

**Unit ID** [Archival Resource Key](#)

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/187833

**Unit Date** 1904-1909

**Mixed Materials** 2 (Box)

**Container** 5 (Folder)

### **Series 10. Financial Records**

**Unit ID** [Archival Resource Key](#)

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/187834

**Unit Date** circa 1892-1917

**Mixed Materials** 3 (Box)

**Mixed Materials** 4 (Box)

#### **Scope and Contents**

This series includes some check books, and mostly checks and receipts. The check book "stubs" dating from 1893 in box 3, folder 2, document benefits paid to strikers.

### **Series 11. Oversize**

**Unit ID** [Archival Resource Key](#)

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/187835

**Unit Date** circa 1892-1918

**Mixed Materials** 5 (Box)

**Mixed Materials** 6 (Box)

#### **Scope and Contents**

This series includes a cash ledger recording cash received and cash paid out to membership (including name index and some audit records), a set of monthly reports recording membership accounts by name (most records are between 1903-1918), and two unfolded scrapbooks.

**Series 12. Artifact**

**Unit ID** [Archival Resource Key](#)

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/187836

**Unit Date** undated

**Mixed Materials** 6 (Box)

**Scope and Contents**

This series consists of one gavel.