



## Hotel Connor Brochure (R1427)

**Collection Number:** R1427

**Collection Title:** Hotel Connor Brochure

**Dates:** 1940s

**Creator:** Gonsalves, Jerry

**Abstract:** The collection consists of a brochure for the Hotel Connor located in Joplin, Missouri from 1906 to 1978.

**Collection Size:** 0.1 cubic feet  
(1 folder)

**Language:** Collection materials are in English.

**Repository:** The State Historical Society of Missouri.

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**Donor Information:** The papers were purchased on Ebay by the State Historical Society of Missouri on August 15, 2001 (Accession No. RA0811).

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### Historical Note:

The Connor Hotel stood at 324 Main Street in Joplin, Missouri. It was an opulently furnished hotel. Thomas Connor, a Joplin millionaire, built the new hotel at the site of the Joplin Hotel which he also owned. Some believed that Connor would simply expand the Joplin Hotel. He

chose, instead, to demolish the Joplin Hotel in favor of building an identically named new hotel in its place. Construction began in 1906 under the supervision of St. Louis architectural firm Barnett, Haynes & Barnett. It was built in the Classical Revival Style. Thomas Connor passed away in 1907 at the age of 60 and the decision was made to name the new hotel in his honor. On November 11, 1978 one day before the building was to be demolished, the structure collapsed with three workers trapped inside. Only one of them survived after spending 82 hours in the rubble.

**Arrangement:**

The papers consist of one item in one folder.

**Scope and Content:**

The collection consists of a brochure for the Hotel Connor located in Joplin, Missouri.

**Container List:**

f. 1 Connor Hotel brochure, 1940s

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