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THE PAYEE OR PAYEE'S TAXABLE INCOME FOR THE YEAR IS THE BALANCE OF THE GROSS PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR LESS THE AMOUNT OF DEFERRED PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR. IF THE BALANCE IS \$500.00 OR MORE, IT IS SUBJECT TO PAYMENT BY THE PAYEE.

Assessment List. 191

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UNITED STATES INTERNAL REVENUE.  
RETURN OF ANNUAL NET INCOME.  
(Under Act of Congress approved October 3, 1917.)

MISCELLANEOUS CORPORATIONS.

RETURN OF NET INCOME received during the calendar year ended December 31st., 1915

by Owensboro Grain Co.,  
the principal place of business of which is located at Lewis St. & River,  
City or Town of OWENSBORO in the State of KENTUCKY

(The "year" as lengthier and issues the calendar year or fiscal year as the case may be.)

1. Total amount of paid-up capital stock outstanding at close of the year or if no capital stock, the capital employed in the business at the close of the year. \$ 25,000.00

2. Total amount of bonded and other indebtedness outstanding at close of year. 1913 \$ 27,400.00

3. Gross Income (see Note A, and instructions, paragraphs 10, 17, 18, and 19) 1913 \$ 27,044.85

DEDUCTIONS

(a) Total amount of all the ordinary and necessary expenses paid within the year in the maintenance and operation of the business and properties of the corporation, exclusive of interest payments. (See Note B.) \$ 14,829.85

(b) All rentals or other payments required to be made as a condition to the continued use or possession of the property. (See paragraph 13 on revenue of this form.) \$ 0.00

(c) Total amount of losses sustained during the year not compensated by insurance or otherwise \$ 20.00

(d) Total amount of depreciation for the year. (See paragraph 13 and 4.) \$ 8.24

(e) Total amount of interest accrued and paid within the year on an account of bond or other indebtedness, including the cost of the interest-bearing instrument and the paid-up capital stock outstanding at the close of the year, or the amount of interest paid within the year on an account of the purchase of securities the interest on which is included in the gross income of the year or of interest received upon obligations of a State or political subdivisions thereof, and upon the obligations of the United States or its possessions. \$ 1,165.82

(f) Total amount of interest received upon obligations of a State or political subdivisions thereof, and upon the obligations of the United States or its possessions. \$ 0.00

7. (a) Total taxes paid during the year imposed under authority of the United States or any State or Territory thereof. \$ 200.00

(b) Foreign taxes paid. \$ 0.00

TOTAL DEDUCTIONS \$ 17,023.91

8. Net income on which tax at 1 per centum is calculated. \$ 8,020.94

9. Net income on which tax at 1 per centum is calculated. \$ 8,020.94

Sum.—The above three figures should show the amount of such respective items. If there is nothing to return as to any item, the word "none" must be written in such blank space.

STATE OF KENTUCKY County of DAVENESS TO WIT:

President, and  
the OWENSBORO GRAIN CO., a corporation, whose return of annual net income is set forth above, being severally duly sworn, each for himself, depose and say that the foregoing report and the several items therein set forth are, to his best knowledge and belief and from such information as he has been able to obtain, true and correct in each and every particular; that the amount of gross income therein set forth is the full amount of gross income, without any deduction whatsoever, received from all sources by the said corporation during the year stated; and that the net income therein set forth is the full amount upon which the tax at 1 per centum is to be calculated and assessed.

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED to before me this 191 day of 1915 President

SEAL OF OFFICE TACKLE AFFIDAVIT, 1915

(Official capacity) Treasurer.

Note A.—Gross Income shall consist of the total of the gross proceeds derived from the operation and management of its business and properties, together with all amounts of income from other sources, including dividends received on stock of other corporations, whether subject to this tax or not, and income received upon obligations of a State or political subdivisions thereof, and upon the obligations of the United States or its possessions, whether by direct upon the books during the year or in whole or in part.

Note B.—The deductions authorized shall include all expenses incurred under the various heads acknowledged as liabilities by the corporation making the return and as to be borne thereon the year. Amount of interest payable on bonds, preferred or common, or if made on mortgage, judgment or other security, or in any way established to unpaid interest, and all other liabilities on an account of unpaid interest or taxes. Interest paid on mortgage, judgment or other security, or in any way established to unpaid interest, and all other liabilities on an account of unpaid interest or taxes. Interest paid on mortgage, judgment or other security, or in any way established to unpaid interest, and all other liabilities on an account of unpaid interest or taxes. Interest paid on mortgage, judgment or other security, or in any way established to unpaid interest, and all other liabilities on an account of unpaid interest or taxes.

139 South Fourth Street  
Louisville 2, Kentucky  
September 24, 1948

Mr. A. G. Baumann, Vice President  
Citizens Fidelity Bank and Trust Company  
5th and Jefferson Streets  
Louisville 2, Kentucky

Re: Owensboro Grain Company  
Owensboro, Kentucky  
Loan \$400,000.00  
Your Participation on \$110,000.00  
Doc't No. LEE-2434E

Dear Mr. Baumann:

We are pleased to enclose the Resolution adopted by our Board of Directors on September 16, 1948, approving a deferred participation of 60% with your bank in a loan of \$275,000.00 to Owensboro Grain Company, Owensboro, Kentucky. Also we enclose three of RFC Form L-800, our form of Participation Agreement referred to in the Resolution.

Should you need any further information or clarification of the terms and conditions set out in the Resolution, we will furnish them upon your request.

Yours very truly,  
R. D. Bottomley  
R. D. Bottomley  
Assistant Manager

GRS:ld

Enclosures  
cc: Mr. Thomas G. Bartlett,  
Exec. V.P. Owensboro National Bank  
Owensboro, Kentucky  
cc: Mr. Wm. M. C. Bryan, Pres.  
Owensboro Grain Company

COPY

Owensboro, Ky., September 1,  
October 2th, 1913.

At a called meeting of the directors of the Owensboro Grain Company, held at the office of the company, on motion and record, it was resolved that for business reasons, that the Owensboro Grain Company and the Griffith Elevator Company be consolidated as one company, to do business under the name of the Owensboro Grain Company; the capital stock of the consolidated company to be \$50,000, composed of \$10,000, the present authorized capital stock of the Owensboro Grain Company, and \$40,000 of the capital stock of the Griffith Elevator Company, the whole of the authorized capital stock of said Griffith Elevator Company being \$50,000, but its actual value being only \$40,000.

There being no further business before the directors, on motion, the meeting was adjourned.

H. C. Bryan  
President  
Sec'y.

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED FIRST, That this Corporation enter into two agreements on Form L-30 to purchase through the Louisville Custodian, pursuant to paragraph (1) of subsection (a) of section 4 of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation act, from CITIZENS FIDELITY BANK AND TRUST COMPANY, LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY (hereinafter called "First Participating Bank") and THE OGDENSBORO NATIONAL BANK, OGDENSBORO, KENTUCKY (hereinafter called "Second Participating Bank") (on their Informal Application No. 1, Booklet No. 110-2434 (based in part on Borrower's Informal Application No. 1, Booklet No. 110-2434) to be made by First Participating Bank and Second Participating Bank to OGDENSBORO TRAIL COMPANY, OGDENSBORO, KENTUCKY, at any time prior to sixty days after the maturity of the notes (referred to in paragraph 3 hereof), at a fixed charge for the period of the Participation Agreements, computed at the rate of 3/4 of 1% per annum of the amount of each such participation, said Participation Agreements (modified as hereinafter provided) to be executed, and said loans to be in the aggregate amount and to be disbursed, subject to the conditions (in addition to the conditions set forth in said Participation Agreements) hereinafter set forth (provided that the first disbursement shall be made not later than three months and no disbursement shall be made later than one year after the date of adoption of this resolution unless such time is extended by this corporation), as follows:

1. Amount: FOUR HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$400,000).
2. Interest: Not more than 4% per annum on 60% of the Loan outstanding and not in excess of 6% per annum on the remaining 40% of the Loan. The interest shall be paid quarterly, beginning in one month, provided that upon the maturity of this Corporation of the Loan and within sixty days thereafter the interest shall be paid in full, the portion to be purchased by the Corporation shall be interest at the rate of 1/2 per annum from the date of purchase.
3. Notes (evidencing the Loan) payable:
  - a. \$5,000, monthly, beginning in ninety days; and the balance in five years; and
  - b. Net Earnings Clause covering 50% of Borrower's net earnings, provided that the first payment thereunder shall be based on Borrower's earnings for its fiscal year ending June 30, 1949; which payments shall be applied pro rata on account of the notes evidencing the Loan.
4. Corporation to U. H. O'Bryan, Borrower's President, Henry E. O'Bryan, Borrower's Vice President, and Henry P. Aul, Borrower's Secretary-Treasurer, to be limited to \$18,000, \$2,160 and \$6,000, respectively.
5. Collateral: Mortgage covering all land, buildings, machinery and equipment constituting Borrower's plant and siting to have a net book value in the amount of \$175,251.53 as set forth under the heading "Plant and Equipment" in the report dated September 3, 1948, of H. H. Barker, Agency Engineer.
6. Use of Proceeds:
  - a. Not more than \$100,000 per payment on account of the cost of erection and installation of a building in connection with Borrower's new soy bean extraction plant; and
  - b. Not more than 200,000 for payment of the purchase price of machinery and equipment to be installed in Borrower's soy bean extraction plant.
7. Borrower's Tax Deposit Agreement.
8. After-acquired Property Agreement.
9. Management Agreement.

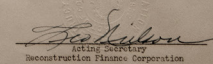
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10. The notes evidencing the Loan and all other documents executed in connection with the Loan to be delivered to First Participating Bank, which Bank shall administer the Loan, and the instruments to be executed in connection with the Participations required by paragraphs 5, 6 and 11 hereof to be held by First Participating Bank, as trustee, provided that Second Participating Bank may hold the notes evidencing the portion of the Loan made by it.
11. The Participation Agreements to be modified to provide that after the purchase of its special participation, this Corporation's share of the interest paid by Borrower shall be computed at the rate of 4% per annum on said agreed Participations outstanding.
12. Agency Manager to be in receipt of evidence, satisfactory to him, that the financial assistance authorized by this resolution is not otherwise available to Borrower on reasonable terms.
13. Disbursement of the Loan shall be made against the aforesaid collateral from time to time, at such times, and in such amounts as shall be deemed necessary and advisable by First Participating Bank and Second Participating Bank, upon receipt by First Participating Bank and Second Participating Bank of evidence, satisfactory to them, that the disbursement then to be made is needed and will be used by Borrower solely for the purposes set forth in paragraph 6 hereof and upon action, as additional collateral for the Loan, of (a) the machinery and equipment referred to in paragraph 6 hereof as acquired by Borrower, and (b) the building referred to in paragraph 6 hereof; provided that no disbursement shall be made in excess of the amount of the cash on hand of the Corporation at the time the cash is so required, a special audit having been made by the Corporation of the cash on hand of the Corporation at the time the cash is so required, and such control as is required by a participating bank, in form as substance satisfactory to First Participating Bank and Second Participating Bank and counsel for First Participating Bank and Second Participating Bank, and accepted by a surety company, satisfactory to First Participating Bank and Second Participating Bank.
14. Such other conditions not inconsistent with the provisions of this resolution and the Participation Agreements as may be imposed by First Participating Bank and Second Participating Bank.

RESOLVED SECOND, That the provisions of the Participation Agreements hereinafter referred to and any outstanding general requirements and instructions of this Corporation in connection with deferred participations may be modified in such manner as shall be approved by Agency Manager and Agency Council in order to give effect to the terms and conditions of this resolution because of the fact that (a) there are two participating banks, each making a loan to Borrower, in connection with each of which loans this Corporation has authorized the execution of an agreement to purchase a participation pursuant to the provisions of this resolution, (b) two separate notes are to be executed by Borrower, (c) First Participating Bank is to administer the two aforesaid loans and hold all of the collateral and other documents required to be deposited in connection with said loans, and (d) the collateral required to be deposited by this resolution secures pro rata the aforesaid notes.

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The foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Board of Directors of Reconstruction Finance Corporation on September 15, 1948.

  
 J. H. Wilson  
 Reconstruction Finance Corporation

This deed made and entered into this the 22nd day of Feb., 1902, by and between Martin Weaver and Lizzie Weaver, his wife, parties of the first part, and H. E. O'Bryan, party of the second part.

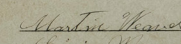
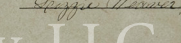
Witnesseth: That for and in consideration of \$5,000.00 paid and to be paid as follows: \$346.66 paid on the 8th day of Jan., 1902. \$1,576.72 to be paid on the 1st day of March, 1902, on which date this deed is to be delivered and possession of the land given, and the party of the second assumes to pay off the unpaid purchase money owing to Henry Bittel by Martin Weaver, amounting to \$3,550.00, with 6% interest from Jan. 16, 1902, interest having been paid up to said date, and to secure the undertaking of the party of the first part in carry out his part of this agreement a lien is expressly retained on the land herein conveyed, the parties of the first part have this day sold, and do by these presents grant, bargain, sell and convey unto the party of the second part, his heirs and assigns the following described real estate in Daviess county, Ky., and bounded as follows:


Beginning at a stake in the Carter road and in Yewell's line, and corner to M. G. Wilson; thence with Wilson's line N 88 1/4 E, 124 poles to a stake with a sweet gum pointer, and in said Wilson's line, and corner to J. P. Barr; thence with J. P. Barr's line N 15 W 91 poles to a stake in said line, the stake is on the west bank of the ditch 4 1/2 feet west of an elm bush marked as a pointer, and 6 feet south of an ash bush on the west bank of the ditch; thence 88 1/2 E 162 poles to a stake in the Carter road, Moreland's line; thence with the road S 11 3/4 W, 88 poles, to the beginning, containing 70 acres, and being the same land conveyed to Martin

Weaver by Henry Bittel on the 16th day of Jan., 1902, and the deed is recorded in book 70, at page 259.

To have and to hold the above described real estate, together with all the appurtenances thereto belonging, unto the party of the second part, his heirs and assigns forever, with covenant of general warranty.

In testimony whereof witness our hands the day and year first above written.

  
 Martin Weaver  
  
 Lizzie Weaver



State of Kentucky, }  
 Daviess County, }  
 I, J. T. Griffin, Clerk of the County aforesaid, do certify that the foregoing deed was on the 22nd day of Feb., 1902, before me duly acknowledged by Martin Weaver and Lizzie Weaver, his wife, the grantors thereof, to be their act and deed, and on this day, the same being duly stamped was lodged and together with this certificate duly recorded in my office.

J. T. Griffin  
 Clerk  
 By: J. H. Wilson

**ANOTHER INDUSTRY FOR OWENSBORO**

**N W Company Formed to Build Elevator**

**PROMITS FOR BUILDING AND SWITCH TRACK GRANTED**

**SOCIAL CAPITALISTS INTERESTED**

These and Specifications Are Being Prepared and Construction Work Will Begin Soon.

Another large industry will be added to the already long list of manufacturing and business enterprises in Owensboro in the construction of a company for the construction of a grain elevator at this point.

At the meeting of the council of Monday night permission to erect the elevator on property fronting on the Ohio river and Lewis street was granted and a contract was made for the construction of a double switch track on Lewis street connecting with the Louisville and Nashville railroad and adjoining the building of the elevator at a point about 100 feet north of Main street and several times the side of the building about 120 feet to the river.

All arrangements in the forming of the company and the securing of permits had been in the hands of J. T. Griffin and Henry Robinson, who will be in charge of the enterprise. It is also probable that local capital will be interested to some extent and that the incorporation will include several other persons, including J. T. Griffin and several others in the business.

Plans and specifications for the new building were given over recently by Mr. Griffin, architect, engineer and contractor, to the architect, the present work building of the Louisville and Nashville railroad will be used for the building of the elevator. The track will be built by the railroad and will be about 100 feet long and 10 feet wide. The tracks of the building will be of heavy construction and will be built on a concrete base and will be about 14 feet high. Plans and specifications for about 10,000 bushels.

**WORK BEGINS**

**ON BUILDING FOR OWENSBORO GRAIN CO.**

To Be Erected on Site of One That Was Burned Recently on River Front

Work has been commenced on the new building of the Owensboro Grain Company. It will be erected on the site on the river front a few blocks west. The foundation is completed to an uncompleted and they will be soon ready to well some of the material that was saved from the old building. The new building will be considerably larger and more modern than the one that was burned.

It is expected that the new building will be completed by the end of the month.

**GRAIN ELEVATOR**

**WILL BE COMPLETED LAST OF OCTOBER.**

The Capacity Will Be From 50,000 to 60,000 Bushels—Covered With Sheet Iron.

The new grain elevator, which is being erected at the corner of Lewis and Water streets, will probably be completed by the last of October. A large force of workmen are engaged on the building. The plant will be one of the most complete and up-to-date in this section of the state. The capacity will be from 50,000 to 60,000 bushels. The building is constructed of frame and covered with sheet iron. The office of the company will be in charge of James Hill, J. T. Griffin will also give a part of his time to the work at the plant. The other stockholders connected with the concern are Henry Robinson and G. W. Robinson.

**W. E. ANNIS WHEN**

**OR WAS BURNED DAY**

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Owensboro, Ky., September 1, 1913.

The undersigned stockholders of the Owensboro Grain Company of Owensboro, Kentucky, a corporation created, organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, each owning the number of shares of capital stock of said company placed opposite his name, hereby agree to the consolidation of said company with the Griffith Elevator Company, of Owensboro, Kentucky, also a corporation created, organized and existing under the laws of the State of Kentucky, the consolidated company to be known and styled as the Owensboro Grain Company, of Owensboro, Kentucky.

We further agree that the capital stock of said consolidated company shall be \$50,000.00, which shall consist of the present capital stock of \$10,000.00 of the Owensboro Grain Company, and \$40,000.00 of the capital stock of the Griffith Elevator Company, the whole of said capital stock of the said Griffith Elevator Company, at its par value, being \$50,000.00, but its actual value being only \$40,000.00.

And we further agree and consent that the Board of Directors of the Owensboro Grain Company shall enter into a contract and agreement with the Directors of the Griffith Elevator Company, and shall be fully authorized to take all steps and do all things necessary to carry out and perfect such consolidation.

No. of Shares - 100 Owned by H. E. O'Bryan

\_\_\_\_\_ Stockholders of Owensboro Grain Company.

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Owensboro, Kentucky, September 21, 1913.

We, H. E. O'Bryan, R. B. Flaherty and R. W. Owen, directors of the Owensboro Grain Company, and H. E. O'Bryan, R. B. Flaherty and R. W. Owen, directors of the Griffith Elevator Company, have entered into the following agreement, to-wit:

That, whereas, it is deemed advisable that the two said companies named above shall consolidate and hereafter do business by and under the corporate name of Owensboro Grain Company,

Now, therefore, it is agreed by and between the directors of said two named companies that the said Griffith Elevator Company and the said Owensboro Grain Company shall consolidate, and that the capital stock of said consolidated company shall be \$50,000.00, composed of \$10,000.00, the present capital stock of the Owensboro Grain Company, and \$40,000.00 of the authorized capital stock of the Griffith Elevator Company, the whole of said capital stock of said Griffith Elevator Company, at its par value, being \$50,000.00, but its actual value being only \$40,000.00.

And it is further agreed that those stockholders to whom stock has been issued by the Griffith Elevator Company, shall take and hold, in lieu of their Griffith Elevator Company stock, the same number of shares of stock in the new consolidated company, Owensboro Grain Company, as they now hold in the Griffith Elevator Company.

Said consolidation shall be made and entered into under the conditions prescribed by Section 555 of the Kentucky Statutes; and said agreement and articles of consolidation of said two constituent companies shall be filed, as required by law, in the Clerk's office of the Daviess County Court, and in the Secretary

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Owensboro, Ky. September 1, 1913.

The undersigned stockholders of the Griffith Elevator Company of Owensboro, Kentucky, a corporation created, organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, each owning the number of shares of capital stock of said company placed opposite his name, hereby agree to the consolidation of said company with the Owensboro Grain Company, of Owensboro, Kentucky, also a corporation created, organized and existing under the laws of the State of Kentucky, the consolidated company to be known and styled as the Owensboro Grain Company, of Owensboro, Kentucky.

We further agree that the capital stock of said consolidated company shall be \$50,000.00, which shall consist of the present capital stock of \$10,000.00 of the Owensboro Grain Company, and \$40,000.00 of the capital stock of the Griffith Elevator Company, the whole of said capital stock of the said Griffith Elevator Company at its par value, being \$50,000.00, but its actual value being only \$40,000.00.

And we further agree and consent that the Board of Directors of the Griffith Elevator Company shall enter into a contract and agreement with the Directors of the Owensboro Grain Company, and shall be fully authorized to take all steps and do all things necessary to carry out and perfect such consolidation.

H. E. O'Bryan

\_\_\_\_\_ Stockholders of Griffith Elevator Company.

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This indenture made and entered into this 16th day of October 1908, between Henry Rothchild a single man of the city of Chicago, Illinois, whose postoffice address is 187-188 Market Street, Chicago, Illinois, party of the first part, and The Griffith Elevator Co., a corporation organized and doing business in Owensboro, Kentucky, and whose postoffice address is Owensboro, Kentucky, party of the second part.

Witnesseth:

That the party of the first part, for and in consideration of one dollar cash in hand paid, and other valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, and the terms of an agreement on the part of the party of the second part to a lease and pay to John W. Roberts of the city of Owensboro, Ky., \$5,000 as follows, to-wit, \$1666.66 2/3 due one year after the 15th day of April 1908, \$1666.66 2/3 due two years after said date and \$1666.66 2/3 due three years after date, and being evidenced by the three promissory notes of the party of the first part, and bearing 5% interest from date until paid, interest being due and payable semi-annually and to secure the payment of which a lien is retained on the property hereinafter described, has this day bargained, granted and sold and by these presents does grant, bargain, sell and convey unto the party of the second part the following described lot or parcel of ground in the city of Owensboro, De Witt County, Kentucky, described and bounded as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at the southwest corner of Lewis and Water Streets, running thence westwardly with First or Water Street to a stake, corner to the Harris factory lot, thence northwardly with a line of Harris factory lot to a stake, corner to the Patton property, thence eastwardly with his line to a stake in the west margin of Lewis Street, thence northwardly to the beginning, containing one-half acre, more or less, and being the same property

conveyed to John F. Wilhoite by The John F. Wilhoite Company by deed dated 31st day of July 1907, and recorded in the Clerk's office of the Daviess County Court in Deed Book 86 page 244, and being the same property conveyed to the party of the first part by John F. Wilhoite and others by deed dated 15th day of April 1908, and recorded in the Clerk's office of the Daviess County Court in Deed Book 86 page 244.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the above described lot or parcel of ground, together with all the appurtenances thereto, belonging unto the party of the second part, who does assigns forever with covenants of General Warranty.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF witness my hand this the day and date first above written.

*Henry Rothchild*

State of Illinois, )  
County of Cook. )

I, *Ray Chapman*, a Notary Public in and for the County of Cook and State of Illinois, certify that the foregoing deed from Henry Rothchild (a single man) to The Griffith Elevator Co. was this day produced to me in my County by the said Henry Rothchild and acknowledged by the said Henry Rothchild to be his act and deed, all of which is hereby certified to the Daviess County Court Clerk's office for record.

Given under my hand this the 16th day of October, 1908.

*Ray Chapman*  
Notary Public.

My commission expires on the 30th day of *July*, 1912.

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**CERTIFICATE**

For Five Shares

Issued to *R.D. Florent*

*58 & 59*

Dated *1909*

FROM WHOM TRANSFERRED

Dated <i>1909</i>	No ORIGINAL CERTIFICATE	No ORIGINAL SHARES	No of SHARES TRANSFERRED
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Received Comm. No.

For *5* Shares

this *1909* day of *1909*

**GRIFFITH ELEVATOR CO.**

OWENSBORO, KY.

This Certifies that *A. E. Bryan* is the owner of *Five* Shares of the Capital Stock of *Griffith Elevator Co.* transferable only on the books of this corporation as provided by Attorney upon surrender of this Certificate properly signed. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said Corporation has caused this Certificate to be signed by its duly authorized officers and its corporate seal to be hereunto affixed this *7th* day of *Dec*, *1909*

*R.D. Florent*  
*L. Griffith Pres*

Owensboro Ky, Oct 20, 1901  
 G. W. Robinson, James Hill and J. J. Griffith three of the directors this day elected as such by the stock holders of the Griffith Elevator Co. having first qualified as same by having the oath required by law administered to them by Marvin May, a Notary Public, met for the purpose of transacting such business as came before them.  
 J. J. Griffith of Owensboro Ky was duly elected President, Henry Rothchild of Chicago Ill. was duly elected Vice President, James Hill of Owensboro, was duly elected secretary and G. W. Robinson was duly elected General Manager.  
 It was ordered that the regular meeting of the directors shall be held on the first Monday of Oct of each year, but other meetings shall be held as necessary, at the call of the President.  
 It is ordered and resolved

that while there is an office of General Manager, yet he is to have no more authority in the management of the affairs of the Company, and the directing of its policies than the other officers of the Co. and he is to consult with them in a general way, upon the manner in which the business of the Corporation shall be conducted.  
 On motion proposed seconded it was ordered, that the President and Secretary issue the stock of the Corporation to the parties entitled thereto.  
 Approved J. J. Griffith Pres

Owensboro Ky, Nov 13  
 At a meeting of the directors this day elected, there was present Henry Rothchild, Ed Brooks, R. W. Owen and J. J. Griffith.  
 On motion of Henry Rothchild seconded by Ed Brooks, J. J. Griffith was elected President.  
 On motion of Ed Brooks seconded by J. J. Griffith Henry Rothchild was duly elected Vice President.  
 On motion of Henry Rothchild seconded by Ed Brooks, R. W. Owen was duly elected Manager, and secretary until his successor shall have been elected and qualified.  
 Approved  
 J. J. Griffith Pres  
 R. W. Owen Sec.

Owensboro Ky, February 12, 1910  
 At a directors meeting this day held, by the call of the President, there was present, Henry Rothchild, R. W. Owen, and J. J. Griffith.  
 Ed Brooks one of the directors of the Co. tendered his resignation which was accepted.  
 On motion of R. W. Owen seconded by Henry Rothchild, H. E. Bryan was duly elected a director of said Co. to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Ed Brooks.  
 It appearing that there has been a vacancy of one director since the election of the present board of directors, on motion of Henry Rothchild seconded by R. W. Owen, R. L. Bryan was duly elected to fill said vacancy.  
 Approved  
 J. J. Griffith Pres  
 R. W. Owen Sec.



**GOES UP IN FLAMES**

**Enormous Loss of \$25,000**  
**With \$23,000 Insurance**

**FIREMEN WERE POWERLESS TO**  
**SUBDUCE RAGING BLAZE**

**SO FINE WAS A SPECTACULAR ONE**

Owensboro Grain Company Will Rebuild Plant on River Front

Fire at 6:25 o'clock Sunday night destroyed the plant of the Owensboro Grain company at the foot of Predoria street on the river front, resulting a loss estimated at \$25,000.

There was \$23,000 insurance on the building and the contents, but it is suggested that it was the result of an unfortunate combination. The fire was first seen in the section of the building where the hay was stored.

H. E. O'Driscoll, stockholder and manager of the company, stated Monday that the company intended to rebuild immediately and would commence as soon as the debris is cleared away. It is probable that insurance will resume business immediately if another location is secured.

**Speculative Blaze**

The fire Sunday night was one of the most spectacular ever seen in Owensboro and the crowd that saw the building burn was estimated to be 1,000. The river was illuminated across to the Indiana shore and the excellent loads of bowels Brothers' grain, which were being shipped to the city, were not damaged.

The first alarm of the fire was given by Andy Davis on the west side of the river when he observed a small flame breaking through the roof on the West side of the building. This was working toward the elevator section rapidly. The twenty tons of hay stored in the section where the fire was first seen caught and the flames were beating high when the fire alarm was given.

**Firemen Were Helpless**

When the fire walloped arrived the flames were high in the air and the firemen were powerless to do much to stop the conflagration. The fire was hard to handle as the building was encased in sheet iron. Four streams of water were thrown on the building. Not until after the elevator section of the building had fallen did the water show any signs of quenching the flames. The hay and grain were hard to get out and firemen worked a long time before extinguishing the flames.

The plant of the company is very close to the buildings recently burned that were supposed to have been set on fire. It was claimed by some people that the grain plant was set on fire, but this is disputed by the firemen and others.

Twelve miles, which were in the basement of the elevator, were gotten out safely. The mules were turned loose but all have been found. The company carried \$23,000 insurance. \$5,000 on the building and \$18,000 on the stock. This amount was with the Millers Mutual insurance company, which is not locally represented.

The estimate of the loss is hard to give according to Mr. O'Driscoll, as the goods had been received and shipped in such a way that he does not know just how much grain was in the elevator. The building is practically new, having been built three years ago at a cost of about \$12,000. H. E. O'Driscoll owns sixty per cent of the stock of the company and T. H. Hardy and R. W. Richards, of Rockport, Ind., the remainder of the company.

**No Gasoline in Ferry Building**

The report was given out during the burning of the building that but it doesn't seem to have been true. It was reported that the ferry company. The report was that the company had been storing things often without foundation as all the gasoline had been removed.

It is believed that a part of it can be seen in the office and was found to be in the best condition. The company had allowed, and two large loads of corn on the river at 3 p. m. on Monday. The books that were lost looked in the safe were a considerable amount.

The fire is believed to have been started by a spark from a stove or a lamp. The fire was removed to a safe place. Young Dugan's wife from 3400 Main street, Clayton, standing on a sidewalk on the right foot, pointed the trigger in this position. This was the end of from the first. Nearly every man dentally shot during the fire and as a result of the season.

**Thanksgiving**

Washington, November 22, was proclaimed by Thanksgiving day proclamation was from the state and received the official United States.

**A TIN**

can't tell you in trouble; but if you can't get a loss from him, you can be certain Give it White's guaranteed hair worms and puts healthy normal scalp & skin.

**SENSATION COUNCIL**

(Continued)

was in order to the election. He to the city light house. One for \$112.50 with a and a third was (discount of \$23.33)

**Inspection**

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As in Mr. Hudson's discounts to his paying for mine as the man who Mr. Hudson's letter to let off his power. The bill of the Mill company, and they thought and the count rate.

Mr. Hudson's Red credit foot Mr. Broder's commission to make the extra car to get the down his place.

Dr. Lambert got the money the check. In Mr. Broder's the bank they have had their for him to pay. Dr. Lambert's Mr. Broder's take a fellow's follows can go like to see you another for fifteen or more barrels of gasoline. We got up a report back.



Owensboro Grain Company, LLC



# FORMAL OPENING

Saturday, September 30, 9 a. m.-5 p. m.



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## FARMERS ELEVATORS

1440 West 7th St. Phone 3-8215 Owensboro, Ky.

"A Complete Farmer Grain Service"

### TO OUR FARMER and FEEDER FRIENDS:

We cordially invite you and your family to the Formal Opening of our new Grain Elevator and Feed Plant Saturday, September 30, 1950, from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m.

Farmers Elevators is a modern grain handling plant including the latest drying and storage facilities, available for the first time to the grain producers and feeders in this section. We have a modern custom grinding mill. It includes modern equipment to assure you of a scientifically controlled, well balanced ration. We are distributors of Wayne Feeds, and have available for your use laboratory tested feed formulas. Drop by and see us—it will be a real pleasure to see you and say "hello." With best regards, we are,

Yours Very Truly,  
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E. L. Harkness

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  - FIRST—Modern Grain Drier available to producers.
  - FIRST—Snap Core Shellers.
  - FIRST—Precision controlled custom feed mill.
  - FIRST—Wayne Feeds, a profit maker to balance home grown grain.

<p><b>To Farmers Elevators, Inc.</b></p> <p>We are proud that you are the exclusive distributor of our products in Owensboro and surrounding area.</p> <p><b>ALSO WE WISH YOU SUCCESS</b></p> <p><b>Allied Mills, Inc.</b></p> <p>Manufacturers of WAYNE FEEDS</p>	<p><b>Congratulations - - - Farmers Elevators, Inc.</b></p> <p>Even before the Farmers of Owensboro &amp; KY and HENRY'S Grain Elevator</p> <p><b>W. C. PITTS &amp; SON, Inc.</b></p> <p>SPECIALIZING IN GRAIN ELEVATORS, WOOD AND PLANTS &amp; ETC. 1414 South 7th St. Owensboro, Ky.</p>	<p><b>BEST WISHES and GOOD LUCK</b></p> <p>We are proud to say that we were the <b>ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS</b></p> <p><b>OWENSBORO ELECTRICAL SERVICE</b></p> <p>118 W. Main St. Phone 3-2172</p> <p>ELECTRICAL CONTRACTING</p>	<p><b>CONGRATULATIONS and GOOD WISHES</b></p> <p>For Success On Your Formal Opening And for the Future.</p> <p><b>MODERN WELDING CO.</b></p> <p>Welding Tanks</p>
<p><b>Best Wishes and Congratulations</b></p> <p><b>READY MIXED CONCRETE CO.</b></p> <p>203 S. 2nd St. Phone 3-1411</p> <p>"We Want The Foundation Of Your Business"</p>	<p><b>CONGRATULATIONS! FARMERS ELEVATORS, Inc.</b></p> <p>ON YOUR FORMAL OPENING</p> <p><b>SHEET METAL WORK BY—</b></p> <p><b>H. W. (WEAVER) BENNETT SHEET METAL WORKS</b></p> <p>Opposite County Jail</p> <p>128 W. 5th Street Phone 3-2011</p>	<p><b>HARTZ and KIRKPATRICK</b></p> <p>Phone 3-2313</p> <p>General Building Contractors</p> <p>For The <b>FARMERS ELEVATORS, Inc.</b></p>	<p><b>Good Luck! FARMERS ELEVATORS, Inc.</b></p> <p><b>TRANSIT-MIX CONCRETE CO.</b></p> <p>1113 Adams St. Phone 3-2424</p> <p>Ready-Mixed Concrete</p>

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**THE FRENCH OIL MILL MACHINERY CO.**  
INCORPORATED  
IMPROVED OIL-MILL MACHINERY  
Piqua, Ohio, U.S.A. February 15, 1950

Mr. William Morgan  
President  
Owensboro Grain Company  
Owensboro, Kentucky

Dear Sirs:

We have been a little late in representing our pleasure and satisfaction in receiving your order for delivery in our process (1949) (1950) as we were unable to make our order before delivery. It is now being shipped and we are sorry that we are not able to send them to you by the end of this month.

We will also make up a sketch showing correct line of division between the mill and the shaft of the sprocket and the sprocket for the mill. We will also make up a sketch showing correct line of division between the mill and the shaft of the sprocket and the sprocket for the mill. We will also make up a sketch showing correct line of division between the mill and the shaft of the sprocket and the sprocket for the mill.

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Very sincerely yours,  
THE FRENCH OIL MILL MACHINERY COMPANY  
Piqua, Ohio, U.S.A.

**ITEMS ORDERED**

1. System including 1st floor	100
2. 2nd floor	100
3. 3rd floor	100
4. 4th floor	100
5. 5th floor	100
6. 6th floor	100
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