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Jay C. Bixby Architectural Records 1910-1965 DADA 023

Title: Jay C. Bixby Architectural Records

Creator: Jay C. Bixby

Inclusive Dates: 1910-1965

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Biographical Note:

Jay C. Bixby (1889-1983) apparently began his career in Iowa and possibly apprenticed to J. B. MacKay, an architect in Waterloo. He then practiced on his own briefly in Nevada, Iowa in the 1910s.

By 1923, Bixby had moved to Vincennes, Indiana. By 1926 or 1927, he was employed in the office that John B. Bayard had begun in Vincennes at least a decade earlier. Rudolph W. Schucker joined Bayard's office about the same time. For a short period, ca. 1931-1933, the firm was known as Bayard, Schucker & Bixby.

Shucker & Bixby continued the practice after Bayard's death on April 26, 1933 until about 1952. Bixby then practiced independently until at least 1965.

Scope and Contents:

Collection contains architectural and business records from the architectural office in Vincennes, Indiana, begun by John B. Bayard and continued by Rudolph W. Schucker and Jay C. Bixby, ca. 1910-1965. Included are architectural working drawings by the firm for 15 projects in southwestern Indiana (in Knox, Davies, Sullivan, Spencer, and Greene Counties). At least 17

additional projects are represented by specifications, photographs, newspaper clippings, contracts, and bills for architectural services. Some of the photographs have not been identified.

Also in the collection are drawings for two houses in Nevada, Iowa, done by Bixby early in his career, Bixby scrapbook material, and plans by Hirons & Mellor (New York) for the George Rogers Clark Memorial in Vincennes, Indiana, 1931.

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Processing Information:

Collection processing completed

Finding aid created 1995/7/7 by Andrew R. Seager; revised 2011/10/20 by Julie Edwards and Carol Street.

Arrangement:

The Jay C. Bixby Architectural Records are arranged chronologically.

Collection Inventory:

<i>Catalog no.</i>	23-01	<i>Storage code(s)</i>	bx
<i>Project title</i>	Bayard, Schucker & Bixby: miscellaneous records, 1910s to 1964		
<i>Location</i>			
<i>Authorship, year</i>			
<i>Records</i>	<p>A. Lists of commissions, 1920s to 1960s / likely compiled by Jay C. Bixby; 1960s. -- 3 p.</p> <p>B. Affidavits concerning the work of Schucker & Bixby; 1933, 1957. -- 5 p.; 11 in.</p> <p>C. Bills for services rendered; 1937-1964. -- Ca. 60 items.</p> <p>D. Scrapbook material; 1910s to 1920s. -- 11 items. -- Includes photo of architect, possibly John B. Bayard</p>		
<i>Catalog no.</i>	23-02	<i>Storage code(s)</i>	bx
<i>Project title</i>	Unidentified buildings		
<i>Location</i>	Possibly Vincennes, Indiana vicinity		

- Authorship, year* John B. Bayard; Schucker & Bixby; Jay C. Bixby; 1920s to 1960s
Records >> Views. -- ca. 28 photos, 12 photo negs.: mostly b&w; 8 x 10 in. or smaller
- Catalog no.* 23- 03 *Storage code(s)* d
Project title Moran, Mr. John, house: additions and alterations
Location Nevada, Story Co., IA
Authorship, year Jay C. Bixby; 1910s
Records >> Working dwgs. -- 12 sheets: blueprint; 13 x 20 in.
- Catalog no.* 23- 04 *Storage code(s)* d
Project title Markland, C. E., house
Location 1204 9th St., Nevada, Story Co., IA
Authorship, year Jay C. Bixby, job 102; ca. 1918
Records >> Working dwgs. -- 24 sheets; ink on trace; 17 x 24 in.
- Catalog no.* 23- 05 *Storage code(s)* bx
Project title First National Bank
Location Possibly Vincennes, Knox Co., IN
Authorship, year John B. Bayard; 1910s
Records >> Exterior view / 1910s. -- 1 photo: b&w; 8 x 10 in.
- Catalog no.* 23- 06 *Storage code(s)* bx
Project title Vincennes Junior High School & Grade building
Location Vincennes, Knox Co., IN
Authorship, year John B. Bayard; 1916
Records A. Exterior view / ca. 1916. -- 1 photo: b&w; 8 x 10 in.
 B. Exterior rendering / ca. 1916. -- 1 clipping; 3 x 7 in.
- Catalog no.* 23- 07 *Storage code(s)* d, bx
Project title Vincennes Public Library
Location Vincennes, Knox Co., IN
Authorship, year John B. Bayard; 1917
Records A. Working dwgs. -- 15 sheets: ink on linen; 25 x 35 in., 18 x 34 in.
 B. Exterior view / Shores Studio; ca. 1917. -- 1 photo (b&w; 8 x 10 in.), 1 offprint (b&w; 6 x 8 in.); in legal-size document case
- Catalog no.* 23- 08 *Storage code(s)* bx
Project title Pantheon Theater
Location 428-430 Main St., Vincennes, Knox Co., IN
Authorship, year John B. Bayard; 1920s
Records >> Exterior and interior views / 1920s. -- 4 photos: b&w; 8 x 10 in. -- One photo mounted on board
Notes Includes three photos of the auditorium and one of the façade.

- Catalog no.* 23- 09 *Storage code(s)* bx
Project title Sacred Heart Church
Location Vincennes, Knox Co., IN
Authorship, year John B. Bayard; 1920s
Records >> Exterior view / Shores Studio; 1920s. -- 1 photo :
b&w; 8 x 10 in. -- 2 copies
- Catalog no.* 23- 10 *Storage code(s)* bx
Project title St. Simons school: proposed addition
Location Vincennes, Knox Co., IN
Authorship, year John B. Bayard; 1920s
Records >> Exterior views of existing building (2 photos: b&w; 4 x
5 in.), rendering of proposed addition (1 photo: b&w; 6
x 10 in.)
- Catalog no.* 23- 11 *Storage code(s)* bx
Project title Vincennes High School: addition & remodeling
Location Vincennes, Knox Co., IN
Authorship, year John B. Bayard; 1920s
Records >> Exterior view / Shores Studio; 1920s. -- 1 photo: b&w;
8 x 10 in. -- 2 copies
- Catalog no.* 23- 12 *Storage code(s)* d, bx
Project title Washington National Bank building
Location Washington, Daviess Co., IN
Authorship, year John B. Bayard, job 430; 1923
Records A. Working dwgs. -- 14 sheets: ink on linen, pencil on trace; 24 x 36 in.
B. Working dwgs.: bank fixtures & furniture. -- 4 sheets:
ink on linen; 19 x 33 in.
C. Working dwgs.: plans of vault work. --4 sheets: ink on linen; 18 x 22 in.
D. Exterior views. -- 2 photos: b&w; 4 x 5 in.
- Catalog no.* 23- 13 *Storage code(s)* bx
Project title Vermillion County Courthouse
Location Newport, Vermillion Co., IN
Authorship, year H. L. Fillinger, architect; John B. Bayard, assoc. architect; ca. 1924
Records A. Renderings / John B. Bayard; ca. 1924. -- 2 plates: col.
pencil on photographs; 8 x 10 in.
B. Views, under construction and on completion / ca. 1924
-- 9 photos: b&w; 8 x 10 in., 4 x 5 in.
C. Clippings from The Hoosier State, 16 Jan. 1924 (copy),
and American Public Official, 1925. -- 2 items
- Catalog no.* 23- 14 *Storage code(s)* bx
Project title Gibault School

- Location* Barrett St., Vincennes, Knox Co., IN
Authorship, year John B. Bayard; 1925
Records >> 4 photo negs. (b&w; 2.5 x 3.5 in.), 2 photos (b&w; 8 x 10 in.); 1 newspaper (Vincennes Sun, 3 Oct. 1925). -- 9 p. (copy); in legal-size document case
- Catalog no.* 23- 15 *Storage code(s)* bx
Project title Sullivan High School building
Location Sullivan, Sullivan Co., IN
Authorship, year John B. Bayard; ca. 1925
Records A. Exterior views / ca. 1925. -- 9 photos: b&w; 8 x 10 in., 3 x 5 in.
 B. Dedication pamphlet / 1925. -- 1 sheet
 C. Clipping from School Board Journal, Dec. 1925, pp. 59-60. -- 2 p. (copy)
- Catalog no.* 23- 16 *Storage code(s)* bx
Project title Washington School
Location Vincennes, Knox Co., IN
Authorship, year John B. Bayard; 1925
Records A. Exterior views / ca. 1925. -- 3 photo negs.: b&w; 2.5 x 3 in.
 B. Newspaper clipping / 1950. -- 2 p. (copy)
- Catalog no.* 23- 17 *Storage code(s)* d, bx
Project title Knox County Courthouse: remodeling
Location Vincennes, Knox Co., IN
Authorship, year John B. Bayard, job 445; 1925
Records A. Working dwgs. -- 30 sheets: ink on linen, pencil on trace; 28 x 44 in.
 B. Exterior and interior views / Shores Studio; ca. 1925. -- 2 photos: b&w; 8 x 10 in. -- 2 copies of each
- Catalog no.* 23- 18 *Storage code(s)* bx
Project title Sullivan County Courthouse
Location Sullivan, Sullivan Co., IN
Authorship, year John B. Bayard; 1926-27
Records A. Rendering. -- 1 plate (photograph): b&w; 7 x 9 in.
 B. Exterior and interior views / Shores Studio; 1927-28. -- 7 photos: b&w; 8 x 10 in. -- 2 copies of each
 C. Dedication pamphlet / 29 Sept. 1928. -- 1 sheet
- Catalog no.* 23- 19 *Storage code(s)* d
Project title Lincoln High School: addition and remodeling
Location Vincennes, Knox Co., IN
Authorship, year John B. Bayard, job 453; 1927
Records >> Working dwgs. -- 17 sheets: ink on linen; 23 x 36 in.

- Catalog no.* 23- 20 *Storage code(s)* d
Project title Sullivan High School: gymnasium building
Location Harris and Court Sts., Sullivan, Sullivan Co., IN
Authorship, year John B. Bayard, job 454; 1927
Records >> Working dwgs. -- 13 sheets (sheets 1 -11, seating plan,
rev. basement plan): ink on linen; 25 x 36 in. and smaller
- Catalog no.* 23- 21 *Storage code(s)* d, OVB
Project title Clark, George Rogers, memorial
Location Vincennes, Knox Co., IN
Authorship, year F. C. Hirons & F. W. Mellor (NY), job 301; 1931
Records A. Program of an architectural competition / Wm. E.
Parsons. Washington, D.C.: Government Printing Office,
1929. -- 29 p.; 11 in. + map; in legal-size document case
B. Working dwgs. -- 16 sheets: blueprint; 30 x 36 in.
C. Specifications / F. C. Hirons, F. W. Mellor, Architects.
Indianapolis: George Rogers Clark Sequicentennial
Comm., 1931 -- 108 p.; 11 in.; in legal-size document case
D. View under construction. -- 1 photo: b&w; 8 x 19 in.; in OVB box 11
- Catalog no.* 23- 22 *Storage code(s)* d, bx
Project title U.S. Post Office: extension and remodeling
Location Busseron and 5th Sts., Vincennes, Knox Co., IN
Authorship, year [John B. Bayard]; Schucker & Bixby; [ca. 1931-33]
Records A. Rendered elevations / Schucker & Bixby; [1933?]. -- 2
sheets; pencil on trace; 20 x 31 in. and smaller
B. Correspondence, 1930-33. -- 8 p.
- Catalog no.* 23- 23 *Storage code(s)* d, bx
Project title Knox County Hospital (Hillcrest Hospital)
Location Vincennes, Knox Co., IN
Authorship, year Sutton & Routt, job 10235; Schucker & Bixby; 1935-37
Records A. Working dwgs. / 1935. -- 22 sheets: blueline prints; 19 x 32 in.
B. Agreement of conditional acceptance / 1937. -- 2 p.; in
legal-size document case
C. Views. -- 3 photos: b&w; 8 x 10 in., 5 x 7 in.; in
legal-size document case
- Catalog no.* 23- 24 *Storage code(s)* bx
Project title Monroe City School: addition and remodeling
Location Monroe City, Knox Co., IN
Authorship, year Schucker & Bixby; 1936-37
Records >> Contract between architect and owner, construction
contracts / 1936-37. -- 4 items; 14 in.; in legal-size document case

- Notes* Addition to consist of a two-story, without basement school room addition and a one-story gymnasium
- Catalog no.* 23- 25 *Storage code(s)* d, bx
Project title Bierhaus, Edward G., house
Location Old Orchard Rd., Vincennes, Knox Co., IN
Authorship, year Schucker & Bixby, job R-210; 1937-38
Records A. Working dwgs. -- 17 sheets: pencil on vellum; 21 x 34 in.
 B. Specifications / 1937. -- 65 p.; 11 in.; in legal-size document case
 C. Construction contracts / 1937. -- 4 contracts (10 p.); in legal-size document case
- Catalog no.* 23- 26 *Storage code(s)* bx
Project title Fort Sackville Theater
Location Main St., Vincennes, Knox Co., IN
Authorship, year Schucker & Bixby; 1938
Records A. Specifications. -- 84 p.
 B. Views. -- 1 rendering (photo: b&w; 5 x 7 in.), 6 photos (b&w; 8 x 10 in.)
 C. Newspaper clipping, Vincennes Post, 19 Oct. 1938. -- 2 p. (copy)
- Catalog no.* 23- 27 *Storage code(s)* bx
Project title Steen Township Schools: water supply system, building repairs
Location Wheatland, Knox Co., IN
Authorship, year Schucker & Bixby; 1938
Records A. Specifications for water supply system. -- 39 p.
 B. Construction contracts. -- 4 contracts
- Catalog no.* 23- 28 *Storage code(s)* bx
Project title Bierhaus, Robert V., house: extension and remodeling
Location 1728 Old Orchard Rd., Vincennes, Knox Co., IN
Authorship, year Schucker & Bixby; 1939
Records >> Construction contract, 1939. -- 1 contract (2 p.); in
- Catalog no.* 23- 29 *Storage code(s)* bx
Project title Dogneaux, Rene J., house
Location South 9th St., Vincennes, Knox Co., IN
Authorship, year Schucker & Bixby; 1939
Records >> Construction contracts / 1939. -- 4 contracts (8 p.); in legal-size document case
- Catalog no.* 23- 30 *Storage code(s)* d, bx
Project title Knox County Tuberculosis Hospital (Hillcrest Hospital): superintendent's residence
Location Vincennes, Knox Co., IN

- Authorship, year* Schucker & Bixby, file H-103; 1939
Records A. Working dwgs. -- 10 sheets: pencil on trace; 21 x 36 in.
 B. Specifications. -- 45 p.; 11 in.; in legal-size document case
- Catalog no.* 23- 31 *Storage code(s)* bx
Project title Clark, George Rogers, memorial: repairs
Location Vincennes, Knox Co., IN
Authorship, year Schucker & Bixby; 1940s
Records >> Specifications. -- 41 p.; 11 in.; in legal-size document case
- Catalog no.* 23- 32 *Storage code(s)* d
Project title Curtis Candy house for Curtis Candy Company
Location Santa Claus, Spencer Co., IN
Authorship, year Schucker & Bixby; 1940s
Records >> Working dwgs. -- 10 sheets: pencil on trace; 19 x 26 in. and smaller
- Catalog no.* 23- 33 *Storage code(s)* bx
Project title Harmony Society building: addition
Location Vincennes, Knox Co., IN
Authorship, year Schucker & Bixby; 1940
Records >> Owner/architect agreement / 1940. -- 1 p.; in legal-size document case
- Catalog no.* 23- 34 *Storage code(s)* bx
Project title Miller, Edgar H., wholesale confections and apartment building
Location South 6th St., Vincennes, Knox Co., IN
Authorship, year Schucker & Bixby; 1940
Records >> Construction contracts / 1940. -- 2 contracts (4 p.); in legal-size document case
Notes Building to be located at the corner of South 6th and Nicholas Streets, Vincennes
- Catalog no.* 23- 35 *Storage code(s)* d, bx
Project title Hillcrest Hospital: nurses' home
Location Vincennes, Knox Co., IN
Authorship, year Schucker & Bixby, file H-104; 1946
Records A. Letter, architect-owner agreement, 1945-46. -- 2 items; 11 in.
 B. Prelim. plans & elevs., approved 2 April 1946. -- 5 sheets: blue line print; 9 x 14 in.
 C. Working dwgs. -- 13 sheets: pencil on trace; 24 x 26 in.
 D. Specifications. -- 81 p.; 11 in
- Catalog no.* 23- 36 *Storage code(s)* bx
Project title Blackford Window Glass Co.

- Location* Vincennes, Knox Co., IN
Authorship, year Schucker & Bixby; 1947
Records >> Contract for architectural services / 1947. -- 1 sheet
- Catalog no.* 23- 37 *Storage code(s)* bx
Project title Good Samaritan Hospital: additions and remodeling
Location Vincennes, Knox Co., IN
Authorship, year Lester W. Routt; Schucker & Bixby; 1948
Records >> Resolution / Board of Commissioners of Knox County; 1948. -- 1 sheet
- Catalog no.* 23- 38 *Storage code(s)* bx
Project title St. James Episcopal Church, rectory: alteration
Location Vincennes, Knox Co., IN
Authorship, year Schucker & Bixby; 1948
Records >> Construction contracts / 1948. -- 2 sheets
- Catalog no.* 23- 39 *Storage code(s)* bx
Project title Busseron Township high school building (Oaktown School): remodeling and improvements
Location Oaktown, Knox Co., IN
Authorship, year Schucker & Bixby; 1949
Records >> Correspondence, architect-owner contract, construction contracts. -- 10 items
- Catalog no.* 23- 40 *Storage code(s)* d, bx
Project title Watts, Florence G., house: extension and remodeling
Location 1222 Audubon Rd., Vincennes, Knox Co., IN
Authorship, year Schucker & Bixby, file R-502; 1949
Records A. Working dwgs. -- 14 sheets; pencil on trace; 21 x 36 in. and smaller
 B. Specifications. -- 54 p.; 11 in.
 C. Construction contracts. -- 3 contracts; 14 in.
- Catalog no.* 23- 41 *Storage code(s)* d, bx
Project title Bierhaus & Sons, wholesale grocers, warehouse building
Location Vincennes, Knox Co., IN
Authorship, year Schucker & Bixby, file W-504; 1950-51
Records A. Plot plans, working dwgs. -- 8 sheets: pencil on trace; 27 x 36 in. or smaller
 B. Construction contracts, correspondence; 1950. -- 5 items: 11 in.
- Catalog no.* 23- 42 *Storage code(s)* bx
Project title Stocker, E. R., & Son funeral home: remodeling

- Location* 225 N. 2nd St., Vincennes, Knox Co., IN
Authorship, year Schucker & Bixby; 1951
Records >> Letter, Bixby to Stocker, 14 March 1951. -- 1 p.
- Catalog no.* 23- 43 *Storage code(s)* bx
Project title Tresslar's 5 & 10 cent stores: additions & alterations
Location
Authorship, year Schucker & Bixby; Jay C. Bixby; 1951-ca. 1960
Records A. Certificate of approval for warehouse alterations, Bicknell (Knox Co.), Ind., 1951. -- 2 p.
 B. Specifications for extension and remodeling of store building, 1958. -- 66 p.
 C. Construction contracts for remodeling stores at Tell City (Perry Co.), 1955 and at Olney (Richland Co., Ill.), 1959. -- 3 contracts
 D. Remodeling of store at Boonville (Warrick Co.), ca. 1960. -- 2 clippings (copies), 8 photos (b&w; 3 x 3 in.)
- Catalog no.* 23- 44 *Storage code(s)* d, bx
Project title Greene County Courthouse: remodeling & improvements
Location Bloomfield, Greene Co., IN
Authorship, year Jay C. Bixby, file 601; 1953-[1955]
Records A. Working dwgs. -- 26 sheets: pencil on linen, sepia, vellum; 24 x 36 in.
 B. Supplementary working dwgs. -- 11 sheets: pencil on vellum, sepia; 24 x 36 in. or smaller
 C. Specifications, contracts, correspondence for architectural work, 1952-55. -- 12 items, 11 in., 14 in.
 D. Specifications, contracts, correspondence for furnishings, 1954-55. -- 7 items; 11 in., 14 in.
- Catalog no.* 23- 45 *Storage code(s)* bx
Project title First Presbyterian Church manse: additions & alterations
Location 715 Buntin St., Vincennes, Knox Co., IN
Authorship, year Jay C. Bixby; 1956
Records >> Specifications & contracts. -- 4 items
- Catalog no.* 23- 46 *Storage code(s)* bx
Project title Hillcrest Hospital: alterations and improvements
Location Vincennes, Knox Co., IN
Authorship, year Jay C. Bixby; 1957
Records >> Construction contracts, certificate of compliance / 1957. -- 3 itmes (7 p.)

<i>Catalog no.</i>	23- 47	<i>Storage code(s)</i>	d, bx
<i>Project title</i>	Bierhaus, Robert V., Sr., house		
<i>Location</i>	1802 McDowell Rd., Vincennes, Knox Co., IN		
<i>Authorship, year</i>	Jay C. Bixby; 1962-63		
<i>Records</i>	A. Working dwgs.: plot plans and details. -- 13 sheets: pencil on trace and blueline print; 7 x 18 in., 36 x 19 in. B. Working dwgs. -- 14 sheets: pencil on vellum; 30 x 36 in. and smaller C. Specifications, bids, contracts, correspondence, 1962- 65. -- 14 items; 11 in.		
 <i>Catalog no.</i>	 23- 48	 <i>Storage code(s)</i>	 d
<i>Project title</i>	First Presbyterian Church: additions and alterations		
<i>Location</i>	Vincennes, Knox Co., IN		
<i>Authorship, year</i>	Jay C. Bixby, file 608; 1956		
<i>Records</i>	>> Working dwgs. -- 6 sheets: blackline print; 17 x 24 in.		

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