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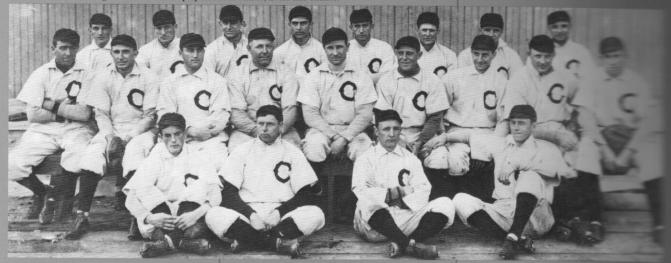


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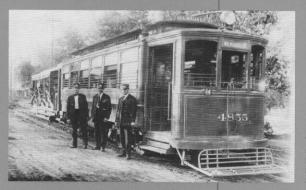
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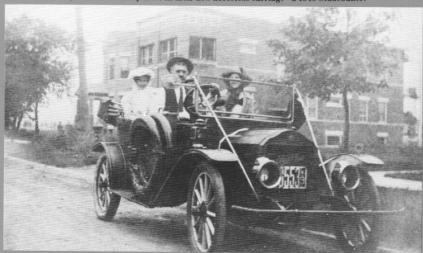
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The Depression years were trying times, and many Chicagoans turned to radio comedy shows for temporary escape. In 1931, Chicago's WMAQ first went on the air, and became the home of many of the shows that would become staples of this golden age of radio, including "Fibber McGee and Molly."

Chicagoans found another way to lift their spirits when the city's second World's Fair, this time called the Century of Progress Exposition, opened in 1933. The fair commemorated the 100th anniversary of Chicago's incorporation as a village, and in many ways, was even more dazzling than the Columbian Exposition.

And in 1935, Hoyne—now with assets in excess of \$250,000—moved to one of Chicago's most famous intersections, Milwaukee and Lawrence, the site of historic old Indian trails and just up the street from where Hoyne is located today.





Earl Weber accepts an award from the National League of Savings & Loan Executives in 1943.

This year, in a widely publicized bout fought at Comiskey Park, Joe Louis took the world heavyweight boxing crown from Jimmy Braddock, and Earl Weber was elected president of the Illinois League of Savings & Loan Executives. He was named president of Hoyne three years later.

By this time, America had once again become involved in a conflict in Europe, and Hoyne supported the efforts by selling War Bonds. In 1942, the beginning of the end of the war came when an elite band of scientists at the University of Chicago conducted the first successful

Another war, another War Bond Rally. Earl Weber is standing to the far right.



nuclear chain reaction. This dramatic breakthrough led to the development of the atom bomb, tipping the balance of power firmly into America's hands, and silencing the aggressions of its enemies.

In the years immediately after World War II, thousands of servicemen returned to Chicago to start their homes and families. Hoyne takes particular pride in knowing that its funds were used to build and finance many of these homes.



Typical of the post-war building boom was this block of bungalows, many of which were financed by Hoyne.

Hoyne's new main offices, undergoing extensive renovation, in 1954.



This was to be a year of glory for Chicago's other National Football League team, the Cardinals, who climaxed their season with a 28-21 victory over Philadelphia for the NFL championship.

The Fifties started out slowly enough, but change soon caught up with both Hoyne and Chicago. In 1951, Earl Weber was elected president of the National League of

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Savings & Loan Executives. In 1954, Hoyne's quarters could no longer contain its growth, and the Association bought the old Jefferson Park Bank building, remodeled it, and moved in.

And in 1955, Richard J. Daley was elected mayor of Chicago. For the next 21 years, he would shape local and national politics like no other city's mayor has done before or since.

Also in 1955, the Prudential Building, which at the time featured the world's fastest elevators, was built. Moving day.



And in 1956, the Congress Expressway (later to be named the Eisenhower) opened. It was a realization of yet another aspect of Burnham's Chicago Plan—a thoroughfare linking east and west—and with it, the age of the expressway had come to Chicago.

This year, the guys liked greasy kid stuff, the girls liked poodle skirts, and everybody liked Ike, with the possible exception of those who had voted for Illinois' native son Adlai Stevenson, Eisenhower's opponent in the 1956 election.

By 1960, Chicago was voting for a new president, but not before redefining the election process itself. That year, John F. Kennedy and Richard M. Nixon squared off in the CBS studios in Chicago for a series of four debates. The "great debates," as they came to be called, marked the first time presidential candidates had met face-to-face to discuss the issues, and established television as the dominant force in American presidential politics.

In 1961, Hoyne—by now known as Hoyne Savings—expanded and remodeled again. And in 1963, the Bears won the NFL championship; one of the game's stars was a feisty young tight end by the name of "Iron" Mike Ditka.

But not even the NFL champions could draw the kinds of crowds that a group of four mop-headed young Englishmen could. In 1964, the fab four came to Comiskey Park,

drove the standing-room only crowd into a frenzy, and for many among Chicago's youth, Beatlemania became a way of life.

Also in 1964, Chicago's reputation for inventive architecture was further strengthened with the addition to the skyline of Marina City, a twin-towered oddity that resembled nothing so much as the world's largest pair of corn cobs.

And in 1966, the National Basketball Association's newest franchise, the Chicago Bulls, won their first home game.

John F. Kennedy and Richard M. Nixon confer before the debates begin in Chicago.



This was the year O'Hare International Airport came into its own. United Airlines moved its head-quarters there in 1967, and soon, the world's busiest airport wasn't Midway, but O'Hare.

And while Chicago's airport ruled the sky, Chicago's architects reached for it. In 1968, the hundredstory John Hancock Center opened, giving Chicago the second tallest building in the world.

In 1969, men who reached not for the sky but the stars, visited Chicago. Hundreds of thousands of Chicagoans welcomed astronauts Neil Armstrong, Buzz Aldrin and Michael Collins—the first Apollo crew to land on the Moon—with a ticker tape parade in the Loop.

And in 1973, Hoyne welcomed two more generations of the Weber family into the fold. Earl Weber's daughter Lois Charlson, and her son Ralph Carstensen, both began working at Hoyne that year.

Lois M. Charlson

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1967

Hoyne's growth continued unabated, and in 1974, the Association built an addition to its main offices. Also in 1974, the 114-story Sears Tower opened, finally making Chicago the home of the world's tallest building.

And in 1976, Hoyne recognized the growing importance of Chicago's suburbs and acquired Pioneer Savings, giving the Association a presence in Wheeling.



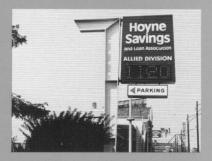
1977 was Michael Bilandic's first full year as mayor, an office he assumed after Richard J. Daley's sudden death in 1976. Jane Byrne replaced him three years later, becoming Chicago's first woman mayor. And she held the office until four years later, when Harold Washington, Chicago's first black mayor, was elected.

1979 brought Pope John Paul II to Chicago. Thousands greeted the Pontiff as his procession made its way down Milwaukee Avenue, taking him, in fact, directly past Hoyne's main offices.

Pope John Paul II leads Mass in Grant Park during his historic visit to Chicago in 1979.



In 1981, Hoyne acquired Allied Savings, giving the ever-growing Association yet another location, this time on Grand Avenue.



And while Hoyne was making strides in the banking field, the Bears were ruling the football field like no other team in recent history. The Monsters of the Midway lost but one game in 1985, and in January of 1986, trounced the New England Patriots 44-10 in the Super Bowl.



Today, Hoyne's assets stand at \$253,000,000; Chicago's population at 3,005,072. It is unlikely that the man who founded Hoyne, or the men who founded its city, ever dreamt of figures so high.

And in these numbers, there is strength. For Chicago today stands taller, prouder than ever before. Its skyline and parks, its lakefront and its neighborhoods are among the most beautiful in the world, and all hint at even greater things to come.

Hoyne, too, offers similar clues as to its future. For a hundred years, Hoyne has been "tried, tested and trusted." No saver has ever lost so much as a single penny. No shareholder has ever missed a dividend. And while the world of financial services is far more complex than it was a century ago, Hoyne has stayed ahead of the game, today offering one of the widest selections of investment and loan options in all of Chicago.

Hovne's main offices as they look today.



Through the years, one thing that hasn't changed is Hoyne's unwavering commitment to prudent management and customer security. That commitment is perhaps best expressed in the fact that Hoyne Savings' reserves-to-assets ratio, a key indicator of financial stability, is the highest of *any* financial institution its size or greater in the State of Illinois.

So what does tomorrow hold for both Hoyne and Chicago?

Noted Chicago historians
Herman Kogan and Lloyd Wendt
say that, for Chicago, "the future
is limitless." And the same can be
said for Hoyne. For no matter what
tomorrow brings, both Hoyne and
Chicago have started from a position
of strength. And history has proven
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"I Can Always Sleep On A Windy Night."

In the hours before dawn, the sky over the Russell farm turned black and angry. A howling wind bent low the trees surrounding the farmhouse, and as the wind grew ever stronger, the shutters beat a steady staccato against the darkened windows.

Mr. Russell, the owner of the farm, leaped from his bed, mentally ticking off the chores that had to be done before the storm's full fury arrived. He dressed quickly, and called for the young German immigrant who worked as his farmhand to come help him.

There was no answer to his shouts.

Grumbling, Russell stumbled out into the cold night, and was surprised by what he saw. Every lock had been properly fastened. Every hay mound had been tied securely. And every outbuilding was in condition to withstand the storm.

Then Russell remembered.
When he first interviewed the young immigrant for the job as a farmhand, Russell found him quiet and shy. When asked if he knew how to work on a farm, the boy made one

simple promise: That Russell could always sleep on a windy night.

And on that windy night in 1861, the farmer knew what young John Jacob Weber had meant.

There was a valuable lesson to be learned that night. Through the years, the moral of this story, passed from generation to generation in the Weber family, has been well remembered by those who have stood at the helm of Hoyne Savings.

The financial marketplace, too, knows cold winds and stormy nights. For a century, recessions, depressions and changes that come with lightning speed have been smartly weathered because Hoyne's management has prepared for them with conservative and prudent policies. Today, because of our secure and sound financial position, we can always sleep on a windy night. And so can our customers.



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Five Generations Serving The Sixth.

Over the last century, five generations of the Weber family have served an equal number of generations of Hoyne Savings customers. Every day, we see more and more young people—a sixth generation—in our city, and in our offices. We are proud of the role our family has played in this community's past. We are pleased to be helping a sixth generation find its way to financial security. And we look forward to the day we can serve a seventh generation of Hoyne Savings customers.

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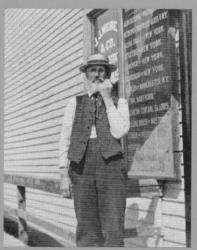
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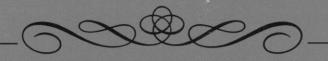
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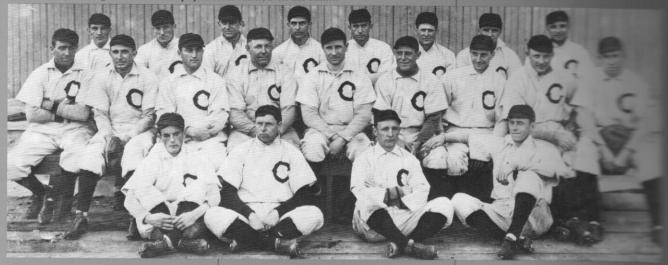


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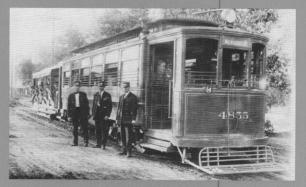
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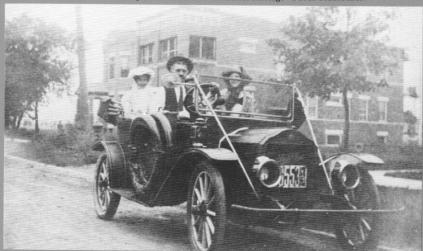
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Hoyne's new quarters, as they looked in 1935.

The Depression years were trying times, and many Chicagoans turned to radio comedy shows for temporary escape. In 1931, Chicago's WMAQ first went on the air, and became the home of many of the shows that would become staples of this golden age of radio, including "Fibber McGee and Molly."

Chicagoans found another way to lift their spirits when the city's second World's Fair, this time called the Century of Progress Exposition, opened in 1933. The fair commemorated the 100th anniversary of Chicago's incorporation as a village, and in many ways, was even more dazzling than the Columbian Exposition.

And in 1935, Hoyne—now with assets in excess of \$250,000—moved to one of Chicago's most famous intersections, Milwaukee and Lawrence, the site of historic old Indian trails and just up the street from where Hoyne is located today.





Earl Weber accepts an award from the National League of Savings & Loan Executives in 1943.

This year, in a widely publicized bout fought at Comiskey Park, Joe Louis took the world heavyweight boxing crown from Jimmy Braddock, and Earl Weber was elected president of the Illinois League of Savings & Loan Executives. He was named president of Hoyne three years later.

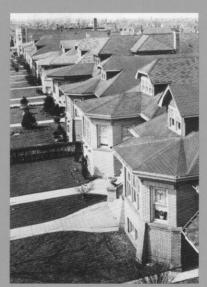
By this time, America had once again become involved in a conflict in Europe, and Hoyne supported the efforts by selling War Bonds. In 1942, the beginning of the end of the war came when an elite band of scientists at the University of Chicago conducted the first successful

Another war, another War Bond Rally. Earl Weber is standing to the far right.



nuclear chain reaction. This dramatic breakthrough led to the development of the atom bomb, tipping the balance of power firmly into America's hands, and silencing the aggressions of its enemies.

In the years immediately after World War II, thousands of servicemen returned to Chicago to start their homes and families. Hoyne takes particular pride in knowing that its funds were used to build and finance many of these homes.



Typical of the post-war building boom was this block of bungalows, many of which were financed by Hoyne.

Hoyne's new main offices, undergoing extensive renovation, in 1954.



This was to be a year of glory for Chicago's other National Football League team, the Cardinals, who climaxed their season with a 28-21 victory over Philadelphia for the NFL championship.

The Fifties started out slowly enough, but change soon caught up with both Hoyne and Chicago. In 1951, Earl Weber was elected president of the National League of

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Savings & Loan Executives. In 1954, Hoyne's quarters could no longer contain its growth, and the Association bought the old Jefferson Park Bank building, remodeled it, and moved in.

And in 1955, Richard J. Daley was elected mayor of Chicago. For the next 21 years, he would shape local and national politics like no other city's mayor has done before or since.

Also in 1955, the Prudential Building, which at the time featured the world's fastest elevators, was built. Moving day.



And in 1956, the Congress Expressway (later to be named the Eisenhower) opened. It was a realization of yet another aspect of Burnham's Chicago Plan—a thoroughfare linking east and west—and with it, the age of the expressway had come to Chicago.

This year, the guys liked greasy kid stuff, the girls liked poodle skirts, and everybody liked Ike, with the possible exception of those who had voted for Illinois' native son Adlai Stevenson, Eisenhower's opponent in the 1956 election.

By 1960, Chicago was voting for a new president, but not before redefining the election process itself. That year, John F. Kennedy and Richard M. Nixon squared off in the CBS studios in Chicago for a series of four debates. The "great debates," as they came to be called, marked the first time presidential candidates had met face-to-face to discuss the issues, and established television as the dominant force in American presidential politics.

In 1961, Hoyne—by now known as Hoyne Savings—expanded and remodeled again. And in 1963, the Bears won the NFL championship; one of the game's stars was a feisty young tight end by the name of "Iron" Mike Ditka.

But not even the NFL champions could draw the kinds of crowds that a group of four mop-headed young Englishmen could. In 1964, the fab four came to Comiskey Park,

drove the standing-room only crowd into a frenzy, and for many among Chicago's youth, Beatlemania became a way of life.

Also in 1964, Chicago's reputation for inventive architecture was further strengthened with the addition to the skyline of Marina City, a twin-towered oddity that resembled nothing so much as the world's largest pair of corn cobs.

And in 1966, the National Basketball Association's newest franchise, the Chicago Bulls, won their first home game.

John F. Kennedy and Richard M. Nixon confer before the debates begin in Chicago.



This was the year O'Hare International Airport came into its own. United Airlines moved its head-quarters there in 1967, and soon, the world's busiest airport wasn't Midway, but O'Hare.

And while Chicago's airport ruled the sky, Chicago's architects reached for it. In 1968, the hundred-story John Hancock Center opened, giving Chicago the second tallest building in the world.

In 1969, men who reached not for the sky but the stars, visited Chicago. Hundreds of thousands of Chicagoans welcomed astronauts Neil Armstrong, Buzz Aldrin and Michael Collins—the first Apollo crew to land on the Moon—with a ticker tape parade in the Loop.

And in 1973, Hoyne welcomed two more generations of the Weber family into the fold. Earl Weber's daughter Lois Charlson, and her son Ralph Carstensen, both began working at Hoyne that year.

Lois M. Charlson

Ralph C. Carstensen





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Hoyne's growth continued unabated, and in 1974, the Association built an addition to its main offices. Also in 1974, the 114-story Sears Tower opened, finally making Chicago the home of the world's tallest building.

And in 1976, Hoyne recognized the growing importance of Chicago's suburbs and acquired Pioneer Savings, giving the Association a presence in Wheeling.



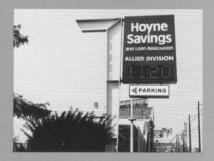
1977 was Michael Bilandic's first full year as mayor, an office he assumed after Richard J. Daley's sudden death in 1976. Jane Byrne replaced him three years later, becoming Chicago's first woman mayor. And she held the office until four years later, when Harold Washington, Chicago's first black mayor, was elected.

1979 brought Pope John Paul II to Chicago. Thousands greeted the Pontiff as his procession made its way down Milwaukee Avenue, taking him, in fact, directly past Hoyne's main offices.

Pope John Paul II leads Mass in Grant Park during his historic visit to Chicago in 1979.



In 1981, Hoyne acquired Allied Savings, giving the ever-growing Association yet another location, this time on Grand Avenue.



And while Hoyne was making strides in the banking field, the Bears were ruling the football field like no other team in recent history. The Monsters of the Midway lost but one game in 1985, and in January of 1986, trounced the New England Patriots 44-10 in the Super Bowl.



Today, Hoyne's assets stand at \$253,000,000; Chicago's population at 3,005,072. It is unlikely that the man who founded Hoyne, or the men who founded its city, ever dreamt of figures so high.

And in these numbers, there is strength. For Chicago today stands taller, prouder than ever before. Its skyline and parks, its lakefront and its neighborhoods are among the most beautiful in the world, and all hint at even greater things to come.

Hoyne, too, offers similar clues as to its future. For a hundred years, Hoyne has been "tried, tested and trusted." No saver has ever lost so much as a single penny. No shareholder has ever missed a dividend. And while the world of financial services is far more complex than it was a century ago, Hoyne has stayed ahead of the game, today offering one of the widest selections of investment and loan options in all of Chicago.

Hoyne's main offices as they look today.



Through the years, one thing that hasn't changed is Hoyne's unwavering commitment to prudent management and customer security. That commitment is perhaps best expressed in the fact that Hoyne Savings' reserves-to-assets ratio, a key indicator of financial stability, is the highest of *any* financial institution its size or greater in the State of Illinois.

So what does tomorrow hold for both Hoyne and Chicago?

Noted Chicago historians
Herman Kogan and Lloyd Wendt
say that, for Chicago, "the future
is limitless." And the same can be
said for Hoyne. For no matter what
tomorrow brings, both Hoyne and
Chicago have started from a position
of strength. And history has proven
that there is no better foundation
on which to build a future.

"I Can Always Sleep On A Windy Night."

In the hours before dawn, the sky over the Russell farm turned black and angry. A howling wind bent low the trees surrounding the farmhouse, and as the wind grew ever stronger, the shutters beat a steady staccato against the darkened windows.

Mr. Russell, the owner of the farm, leaped from his bed, mentally ticking off the chores that had to be done before the storm's full fury arrived. He dressed quickly, and called for the young German immigrant who worked as his farmhand to come help him.

There was no answer to his shouts.

Grumbling, Russell stumbled out into the cold night, and was surprised by what he saw. Every lock had been properly fastened. Every hay mound had been tied securely. And every outbuilding was in condition to withstand the storm.

Then Russell remembered.
When he first interviewed the young immigrant for the job as a farmhand, Russell found him quiet and shy. When asked if he knew how to work on a farm, the boy made one

simple promise: That Russell could always sleep on a windy night.

And on that windy night in 1861, the farmer knew what young John Jacob Weber had meant.

There was a valuable lesson to be learned that night. Through the years, the moral of this story, passed from generation to generation in the Weber family, has been well remembered by those who have stood at the helm of Hoyne Savings.

The financial marketplace, too, knows cold winds and stormy nights. For a century, recessions, depressions and changes that come with lightning speed have been smartly weathered because Hoyne's management has prepared for them with conservative and prudent policies. Today, because of our secure and sound financial position, we can always sleep on a windy night. And so can our customers.



John J. Weber



Charles M. Weber



Earl C. Weber President



Lois M. Charlson Asst. Treasurer



Ralph C. Carstensen

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Over the last century, five generations of the Weber family have served an equal number of generations of Hoyne Savings customers. Every day, we see more and more young people—a sixth generation—in our city, and in our offices. We are proud of the role our family has played in this community's past. We are pleased to be helping a sixth generation find its way to financial security. And we look forward to the day we can serve a seventh generation of Hoyne Savings customers.

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