

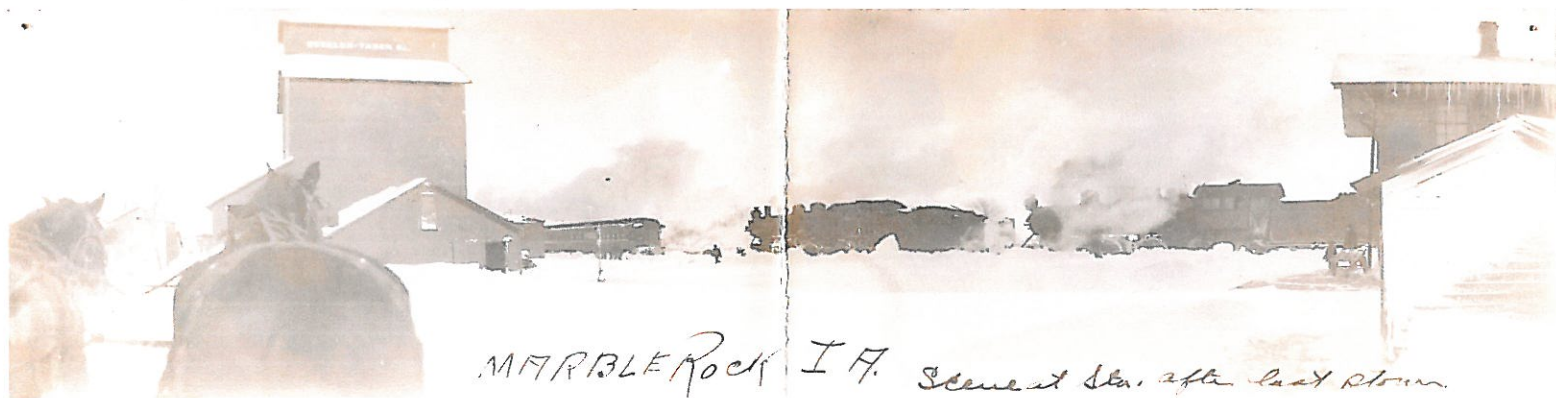
From the
Marble Rock
History book
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The buying and shipping of grain has always been big business in Marble Rock. About 1870 there were two grain dealers in Marble Rock, I.M. Hutches & Co. and Mr. Dawson. They eventually merged and sold out to Willard Bucklen Jr., who was in business nearly 20 years. At one time, Marble Rock was the most important grain shipping point on the shipping on the Cedar Rapids division of the Rock Island Railroad.

A stock company was formed in 1914 under chapter 384 of the Code of Iowa. Articles of Incorporation, Constitution and by-Laws for the Farmers Elevator Company of Marble Rock were adopted. This corporation was authorized to commence business on the 7th day of March, 1914 and continue 20 years with the right of renewal.

A CO-OP was formed when the company was incorporated on March 14, 1939, under Chapter 390-G-1 of the Code of Iowa 1935 with the fiscal year of January 1 to December 3. The Annual meeting was the second Saturday of February.



In March of 1976, under Chapter 499.25 of the Code of Iowa, the Articles of Incorporation were amended and substituted to bring the Corporation up to date.

The following building and equipment were added:

1952 Quonset Warehouse

1955 Office Building

1955 New Scales

1956 Concrete Elevator

1957 Dryer

1959 2 Warehouses

1960 Mill and Warehouse

1967 Grain Dryers

1969 Petroleum and Truck

1969 Bulk Plant

1975 Warehouse

In the late 1970's, the Farmers Coop Elevator had about 800,000 bushel storage capacity. The Coop moved to a full service Coop by 1980 with the construction of a liquid fert. facility and a dry fert plant in 1982.

