Guide to the Carson & Colorado Railroad Company records, 1881-1901

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Abstract: This fragmentary collection consists of correspondence, 1884-1901; station ledgers and accounts, 1886-1895; miscellaneous financial records, 1881-1896; register of waybills, 1896-1900; rate books, 1883-1884, 1892-1897; passenger statistics book, 1881-1884; and related materials.
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Scope and Content
This fragmentary collection of Carson & Colorado Railroad records comprises 1 box, 1 carton, and 3 packages and covers the period 1880-1901 when the railroad was primarily under the operation and control of the Virginia & Truckee. The collection was acquired by purchase from Grahame H. Hardy in 1948, 1952, 1953, and 1957; by gift of Louis B. Siegriest in 1954; and by a gift of Stephen E. Drew in 1972.

Brief Company History
The Carson & Colorado Railroad Company was incorporated in Nevada on May 10, 1880 as a narrow gauge extension of the parent Virginia & Truckee Railroad. Rails were laid south from Mound House, Nevada on the Virginia & Truckee during 1880-1883 through the communities of Wabuska, Hawthorne, Belleville, Candelaria, Laws, and Owenyo to Hawley, later renamed Keeler, California--some 300 miles south of Mound House. Consolidation of three separate operating divisions and reorganization as the Carson & Colorado Railway Company occurred on February 27, 1892. With general offices and shops at Carson City, Nevada, the Carson & Colorado was operated by joint V. & T. and C. & C. officers as a feeder or branch of the V. & T.; its sole President and General Superintendent was Henry Marvin Yerington. Control of the C. & C. was negotiated by major stockholder Darius Ogden Mills with sale on March 1, 1900 to the Southern Pacific Railroad which subsequently operated the line under the name of the Nevada & California Railway Company beginning in May 1905. In February of 1912 the Nevada & California was absorbed into the Southern Pacific System and portions of the original 1880 right-of-way continue in present operation.

Box 1
Correspondence & papers arranged by railroad officer or department. 1881-1901.
Assistant Secretary: Edward Boucher Yerington. 1888-1899. (1 folder)
Scope and Content Note
Includes correspondence, tax matters, & bills.

Chief Clerk to President: George F. Ford. 1881-1890. (1 folder)
Freight Bills for Transportation Rendered.
1882 (1 folder);
1883-89 (1 folder).

General Freight & Passenger Agent: David Almon Bender & Edward Boucher Yerington. 1882-1900. (1 folder)
Scope and Content Note
Includes bills & passenger statistics.

Miscellaneous. 1881-1901. (1 folder)
Scope and Content Note
Includes correspondence, notes, telegrams, train registers, time table reprint, check & some correspondence of Assistant Superintendent Robert James Laws.

Paymaster: Robert H. Wright & George Todd Mills. 1883-1887. (1 folder)
Scope and Content Note
Includes pay rolls, pay orders, & cash receipts.

Purchasing & Supply Agent: Marvin Hume Yerington & Lawrence Leroy Elrod. 1890-1899. (1 folder)
Scope and Content Note
Includes correspondence, shop & material supply orders.
Agency of the Bank of California in Account with C. & C. R.R.
Mar. 3, 1885-Feb. 24, 1886. 1 v.
Daily bank balance book at Virginia City, Nevada.
Freight Tariff: General Directions, Rules & Conditions Taking Effect Jan. 1, 1886. 1v.
Scope and Content Note
Issued by Henry Marvin Yerington, General Superintendent and by David Almon Bender, General Freight & Passenger Agent.

Paint Shop Account Books. 1890-1897.
Scope and Content Note
Account books of materials & supplies furnished from C. & C. stocks at the Virginia & Truckee Railroad's Carson City Paint Shops.

Oct. 1890-Feb. 1893. 1 v.
Aug. 1891-Aug. 1896. 1 v.
Aug. 1892-Dec. 1893. 1 v.

Letterbook, Apr. 23, 1880-Mar. 7, 1884.
Scope and Content Note
Incoming letters to General Freight & Passenger Agent David Almon Bender regarding freight tariffs & traffic.

Scope and Content Note
Incoming letters to General Freight & Passenger Agent David Almon Bender regarding V. & T. and C. & C. freight tariffs and traffic.

Scope and Content Note
Copybook of General Freight & Passenger Agent David Almon Bender regarding freight matters; includes bills, invoices, statements, notes, & waybills.

Record Book of Special Freight Rates Allowed Over the C. & C. R.R., Mar. 1882-Nov. 1886.
Scope and Content Note
Lists date, commodity, rate, & destination.

Special Freight Rate Circulars, July 1, 1892-Nov. 23, 1897. 1 v.
Scope and Content Note
Printed special rate circulars Nos. 1-105 sent to station agents with notes for posting.

Scope and Content Note
Information on passengers carried, including number of passengers, mileage traveled, & fares collected by V. & T. 1881-1883 and C. & C. 1883.

Daily Agent Cash Remittance Reports, 1884 (4 bundles); 1891 (5 bundles).
Scope and Content Note
Daily statement of receipt forms completed by station agents and forwarded to Secretary Edward Boucher Yerington at Virginia City.
Daily Conductor Cash Collection Reports, 1884 & 1887 (1 bundle).

Scope and Content Note
Daily statement of cash collection forms completed by train conductors and forwarded to Secretary Edward Boucher Yerington at Virginia City.

Register of Way Bills, Jan. 1896-July 1900. 1 v.

Scope and Content Note
Yearly record of train waybills, consecutively numbered and arranged for each issuing station.

Agent’s Ledger, Jan. 1886-Mar. 1888.

Scope and Content Note
Account book of daily cash transactions for each station, arranged monthly.

Station Accounts, Apr. 1888-Dec. 1889. 1 v.

Scope and Content Note
Account book of daily cash transactions for each station, arranged monthly.

Station Ledger, Jan. 1890-Nov. 1891. 1 v.

Scope and Content Note
Account book of daily cash transactions for each station, arranged monthly.


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