Guide to the Hopkins Transportation Collection M0175

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Abstract: Miscellaneous items once belonging to the Hopkins Transportation Library at Stanford.
Scope and Content
Material concerning railroads, shipping, automobiles, and transportation which was once part of the Hopkins Transportation Library at Stanford. This is one of several collections named the Hopkins Transportation Collection: see also M0097 (https://searchworks.stanford.edu/view/4082956) ; M0164 (https://searchworks.stanford.edu/view/4082992) ; M0200 (https://searchworks.stanford.edu/view/4082990) and others. This collection contains multiple accessions from various donors over many years, including a ledger from an English sailing vessel dated 1711-1757, railroad stock and bond certificates signed by Hopkins Huntington, deeds and legal documents involving a variety of rail companies (including a list of founding stockholders for the Oakland Railroad Co. in 1868), and a great deal of Southern Pacific Railroad material, some of which was sent directly to the Hopkins Library while it was under the care of director Jeanette Hitchcock in the 1940s. Stanford also holds Southern Pacific’s archive (M1010). Nearly all Hopkins Transportation photographs have been filed in M0234 (https://searchworks.stanford.edu/view/4082994).
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Railroads -- History
Shipping -- History
Automobiles -- History
Southern Pacific Transportation Company

Series 1. Railroad

Southern Pacific Railroad

box 2, folder 1

memo re: Drumm Street Station, San Francisco 1907

Immediate Source of Acquisition
"Found in wall of Merchant's Exchange Building during renovation, January-February 1974 ; SP had rented a floor in the building"
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program/menus 1916-1959

Scope and Contents

cards, notices, ephemera circa 1940-1950

Scope and Contents
Shasta Daylight press releases 1949

Physical Characteristics and Technical Requirements
Many of the press releases are torn and damaged

magazine and newspaper clippings
timetables 1888-1949

Scope and Contents
Southern Pacific-Central Pacific unmerging (pamphlets, proceedings and statements) 1922-1923

documents and pamphlets by or about SPRR 1878-1939

Scope and Contents
Letter From the Secretary of War Concerning the Location of Southern Pacific and Texas Pacific Railroads Through Fort Yuma Reservation and Across the Colorado River, January 18, 1878; Richard S. Spofford, Argument Before the Committee on Railroads of the US Senate, March 12, 1878; Letter From the Secretary of the Interior, Communicating In Answer to a Senate Resolution ... in Relation to the Construction of a Railroad through the Public Domain in the Territory of Arizona January 16, 1879; Completion of a Southern Pacific Railroad and Telegraph Line, June 3, 1880; Pacific Coast Law Journal Supplement, The Railroad Tax Case, County of San Mateo Vs. SPRR, September 25th, 1882; George Draper Stratton obituary reprint, 1905; “The System” and the Southern Pacific Incidentally E.A. Hayes and the Sorrows of the Prune Rancher [circa 1906]; Rules and Specification governing the Uniforming of Employees, 1910; United States vs. SPRR Opinion of Judge Bledsoe, August 28, 1919; Adequate Transportation Must Not Result in Wasteful Duplication of Facilities Under the National Transportation Act of 1920, April 2, 1929; Re-Issue of Special Notices and Circulars, 1939

advertising brochures, maps, etc. 1883-1949

Scope and Contents
SPRR-published booklets and brochures related to tourism and travel, especially in California and the West. Some include route maps, timetables, photographs and illustrations.

Coast Line Route, California (Denison News Co., photogravures by Albertype Co.) circa 1890s

Scope and Contents
23 leaves of mounted plates, 27 x 32 cm.

Foote, Cone & Belding advertisement proofs 1949

Postsers

Scope and Contents
Statement re: war 1943; Calendar 1949; Shasta Daylight advertisement [c.1949]

Other Railroads

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box 3, folder 1
Baltimore & Ohio Railroad briefs & report ca.1872-1873, 1887
Scope and Contents
legal publications re: State of Maryland suit 1872-1873 ; Report on Employee Library 1887

box 3, folder 2
Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Relief Dept. Statement of Receipts and Disbursements 1894-1897

box 3, folder 3
Baltimore & Ohio Railroad stockholders letters 1933, 1934

box 3, folder 4
Central New York & Western Railroad stock coupons circa 1897-1904

box 3, folder 5
Central Pacific Railroad
Scope and Contents
Includes C.H. Redington's Employee Season Ticket 1874 ; Huntington, Hopkins & Co. shipping receipt 1875 ; draft correspondence 1889 ; undated notes

Box 5, Folder 2
Central Pacific Railroad bond 1863, stamped paid 1893

Box 5, Folder 7
Central Pacific/Huntington article - Weekly Chronicle December 27, 1883

tariffs: California Pacific Railroad 1873 ; Central Pacific Railroad 1875

box 3, folder 6
Hawaii Consolidated Railroad, Ltd. deed 1916

box 3, folder 7

map-folder 8
Los Angeles-Pacific Railroad Balloon Route ad, Los Angeles Times May 11, 1901
Scope and Contents
Color, full page advertisement

box 3, folder 8
Mexican International Railroad Co. deed 1883

Box 5, Folder 9
Oakland Railroad Company stock subscription list 1868

box 3, folder 9
Ocean Shore Railroad documents re: grading & right-of-way 1905-1907 ; capital asset distribution 1926

box 3, folder 10
Ocean Shore Railroad research notes and clippings

box 3, folder 11
Pittsburgh Shawmut & Northern Railroad Company reorganization memo 1948

box 3, folder 12
misc. rail ephemera 1842-1956

box 3, folder 13
19th. c newspaper clipping re: sleeping car circa 1860s-1870s

box 3, folder 14
First Transcontinental Railroad - 75th Anniversary of Completion 1944

box 3, folder 15
railroad history organizations 1950s
Scope and Contents
Mostly fliers for events.

box 3, folder 16
Christmas Greetings [holiday cards from transportation companies; most sent to Hopkins Library] 1940s

box 3, folder 17
cable railways [photostats of articles, etc.]

Box 4
card file: manuscript bibliography of reports related to railroads circa 1880s
Scope and Contents
Index of articles and reports written on the back of unused SPRR freight forms, possibly by Hopkins himself. Paper is very brittle and in some cases damaged.

Box 5, Folder 4
handbill: Reduced Railroad Fares! Farmers! Colonists! And All Seeking Homes in the Great West, Can Purchase Colonist's Tickets From Ithaca...For Sale Only at the Ticket Office of F.W. Phillips

Box 5, Folder 6
Railroad bonds & stock certificates 1862-1902
Scope and Contents
Oakland, Brooklyn & Fruit Vale Railroad (Charles G. Lathrop) 1902 ; Oakland Railroad Company (H.E. Huntington) 1893 ; Portland & Willamette Valley Railway Co. (Timothy Hopkins) 1887 ; Pacific Cable Railway Co. (Charles G. Lathrop) 1899 ; San Joaquin Valley Railroad Co. (Pacific Improvement Co.) 1893 ; Bonds of the County of Santa Clara - San Francisco & San Jose Rail Road Co. 1862, Western Pacific Railroad Co. 1865
Box 6, items 1-2

**scrapbooks of newspaper clippings related to railroads 1954-1956**

**Scope and Contents**
Two volumes, one covering 1954-55 and the other 1956. Clippings are from San Francisco Examiner, Wall Street Journal, San Francisco News, etc. Many are loose.

Box 9, Folder 1

**lantern slide of elevated railroad, possibly New York**

**Scope and Contents**
Handwritten label is hard to read—may say "L-Road from Bandstand"?

Box 9, Folder 3

**misc. copy prints**

Box 9, Folder 4

**Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Museum ephemera**

### Series 2. Ships & shipping

**box 1, folder 1**

**ship ledger 1711-1757**

**Scope and Contents**
Ledger connected with shipping trade in the New World, recording particularly profits of ship Mermaid and sailings to Virginia and the Indies. Detailed trading with names: Benj'm. Robinson, William Woodford, Thos. Montague, Rev'd. Owen Jones, Hy Robinson, Reuben Walsh, Chas. Gryme, Thos. Griffin of Rappahannock River, Va. and of trade with people in St. Christopher, Barbados, Bilboa, Bayonne, Bengal. There are also detailed accounts of ship refitting, purchases of tobacco, rum, sugar and books from Va. Timothy [Ganer?] was master of the Mermaid which sailed from Liverpool and Whitehaven.

**box 1, folder 2**

**Signals for the Use of the United States Navy 1813**

**Scope and Contents**
Cloth-bound book entitled *Signals for the Use of the United States Navy*, as adopted by order of the Navy Dept. printed in Washington City in 1813. Included are handwritten and illustrated notes on flags, signals, etc.

**box 1, folder 3**

**National Federation of American Shipping Research Reports July 9, 1947-November 8, 1951**

**Scope and Contents**
22 reports on the U.S. Flag Merchant Marine.

**box 1, folder 3**

**Maritime Firsts of San Francisco Bay 1960**

**Scope and Contents**

**box 3, folder 19**

**ships, misc.**

**Scope and Contents**
Includes political handbill for "steamer Democracy" 1889; program for California Maritime Academy Graduation Exercises on Training Ship Golden Gate, 1943; Time & Tide Supplement to Glasgow Post-Office and Railway Tables 1894; newspaper clippings, etc.
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<td>Box 6, items 3-6</td>
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<td>Three volumes. The first is signed &quot;Frank S. Spring 3/13/22&quot; Volume two and three have indices. All 1920s-40s articles from Autocar, Automotive Industries, The Motor, etc. Two drawings were removed from the back of Volume II and are in Box 3 folder 23.</td>
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**Series 4. Miscellaneous**

| Box 3, Folder 18 | **Reconveyance, Union Trust Co. - Union Traction Co. 1914 ; Pacific Streamship Co. - County of Santa Cruz deed 1904** |
| **Physical Characteristics and Technical Requirements** |
| Documents are very dirty from probable flood damage |
| Box 3, Folder 24 | **postcards, clippings, etc.** |
| Box 5, Folder 8 | **poster: USS Los Angeles, The Navy's Mighty Sky Ship** |
| Box 9, Folder 2 | **Midwestern Old Settlers and Threshers ephemera** |
| Box 9, Folder 5 | **alphabetical file with lithograph of horse & carriage** |