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J. Orville Spreen was born on August 19, 1897. He began working for the Wabash Railway in February 1912 at the age of 15. He started as an office boy in the joint offices of the General Superintendent of the Missouri District and General Attorney of the Burlington Railroad. He gradually worked his way up the ranks until he attained an executive position with the company. He retired in 1962 after 50 years of service to the Wabash Railroad.

HISTORY OF THE WABASH RAILWAY COMPANY

The Wabash may well be considered the dean of all railroads in the Mississippi Valley. In 1838 the proposed 12 mile strip from Meredosia, Illinois to Monroe City, Illinois became the second strip of rail to be laid in the United States. This short railroad line was preceded only by the rail between Albany and Schenectady in New York which had been laid 12 years earlier. The Wabash, essentially a railroad of the Mississippi Valley, was the first in the field and the forerunner of all other lines. Although it was not originally conceived as a railroad by that name, its lineage may be traced without a break to that day in 1838 when the first quaint locomotive made a precarious run over the Northern Cross railroad with Meredosia at one end of the line and Morgan City at the other.

When the line was proposed, there was serious debate in the Illinois legislature whether it was more advisable to spend some money on the new steam engine or to invest state funds in their canals and river boats. Although the new locomotive was a wonder of modern science, Engine No. 1 was pretty unreliable. It was put out of commission a few weeks after its inauguration because the engineer put too much fire under the boiler and melted the flues.

The Northern Cross railroad, authenticated parent of the Wabash, was not born without travail. Some of the most eminent men of the state vigorously protested when it was suggested the railroad be built with state funds. Without the support from Governor Joseph Duncan, a rail project would not have been started in Illinois for many years. Most legislators preferred canals because they were less expensive to build and maintain, and canals lasted longer than railroads.

In spite of this apparent unwillingness to accept railroads in place of canals, Governor Duncan succeeded in forcing a bill of appropriations for state roads through the legislature. Using this bill as a base, Duncan and several associates secured a charter from the state to build a steam engine line from Meredosia to Morgan City. This little bit of iron road was not only the first built in Illinois; it was the first built in the Mississippi Valley.

The contract for building of the road from Meredosia to Springfield was let to Thomas T. January, James Dunlap, Miron Leslie, and Charles Collins. It was surveyed by James Bucklin, assisted by George W. Plant and John Van Horn. The profile of the work was drawn

by Edward Mehogelowski. The road was divided at the Illinois River and subcontracted to J.C. Thompson, S.C. Thompson, D. Waldo, J.E. Waldo, and Harvey Duncan. The actual grading work began in late autumn of 1837 and was completed in April of 1838.

The first locomotive was brought to Illinois in pieces. It was manufactured by Rogers, Grosvener, and Ketchum of Newark, New Jersey. A Mr. Fields accompanied the engine to assemble it. He made the first run on November 8, 1838 and continued as engineer on "The Rogers" for about a month. After Fields left, a Mr. Higgins took over and it was he who melted the flues. He was discharged for dissipation. Finally two young men by the name of Gregory were put in charge of it.

The line was extended from Springfield to Jacksonville in 1841. The state operated the road until 1847 when the legislature passed an act authorizing the sale of the road between the Illinois River and Springfield. One of the peculiar provisions of the act was that it provided for the first time in the history of railroads a forty year lien on the road to secure the amount for which it might be sold. The road was purchased by Nicholas H. Ridgely for \$21,000 and the name was changed to the Sangamon and Morgan railroad.

The Wabash was a consolidation of several different railroad lines. The Lake Erie, Wabash and St. Louis (organized in 1853) and the Toledo and Illinois (also organized in 1853) consolidated in 1856 to form the Toledo, Wabash and Western. In 1877 the TW&W was reorganized under the name of Wabash. In 1879 the Wabash consolidated with the St. Louis, Kansas City, and Northern to form the Wabash, St. Louis and Pacific Railway. In 1889 it was again reorganized as the Wabash Railroad Company.

SCOPE AND CONTENT

The J. Orville Spreen Railroad Papers include a variety of documents concerning railroad history. Although the collection is named the Spreen Railroad Collection, only a few photographs pertain to Mr. Spreen and his life. Spreen spent much of his leisure time collecting information on a variety of subjects. Because of his position as a Wabash railroad executive, he was very interested in railroad history. He also collected abundant information on St. Louis history, but that information can be found in the J. Orville Spreen Papers, which is a separate collection.

Spreen collected a vast array of information, but unfortunately, most of it is secondary sources. There are, however, some very important primary sources in this collection. The patents which were granted to James B. Eads for bridge improvements can be found in Series 1. The train orders concerning the assassinations of Presidents McKinley and Kennedy are in Series 4 under the Wabash Railroad. Stocks from various railroad lines can also be found in Series IV. Other primary sources include invoices, freight receipts, and photographs.

The photograph series is one of the most important parts of this collection. Several photographs of locomotives from various companies can be found in this collection. Spreen also collected photographs of freight and passenger stations throughout Missouri and Illinois. Along with this information, photographs from several town centennials are included.

To complement the photographs, there are several documents relating to town centennials. Some are Wabash centennials in the town, but most are not. Wabash, nevertheless, played a

large part in these celebrations because many of these towns grew up around the railroads. The bulk of the information on centennials is newspaper clippings.

The following series are comprised primarily of secondary sources, newspapers in particular: Eads Bridge, General Railroad History, Miscellaneous, St. Louis Railroads, and Transportation. Most of these also include correspondence, advertisements, brochures, pamphlets, and articles.

The Railroad Lines series includes all types of information on specific railroad lines. Any general information will be found in the General Railroad History series. The information on specific lines include centennials, correspondence, histories, newspapers, railroad passes, timetables, notices, advertisements, articles, company magazines, brochures, directories, maps, information on locomotives, and travelers' guides. The subseries on the Wabash railroad contains by far the most information.

The Railroad Museums series includes information on the Museum of Transport, the National Museum of Transportation, and several local museums. Documents include guides, correspondence, pamphlets, newspapers, notices, articles, and photographs. The information is broad and somewhat sketchy.

The Railroad Societies and Associations series contains information on several groups interested in railroad history and memorabilia. Most of the information concerns the National Railway Historical Society; the Railway and Locomotive Historical Society; the St. Louis Chapter of the Railway and Locomotive Historical Society; the St. Louis Railway Enthusiasts Club; the Terminal Railroad Association; the Lexington Group; the Wabash, Frisco, and Pacific Association; the Wabash Railroad Historical Society; and several smaller organizations. Documents include correspondence, newsletters, brochures, membership cards and rosters, ads, articles, and newspapers. The newsletters and membership cards are relatively complete as is the information on convention. The rest of the information tends to be rather vague.

The St. Louis Railroads series includes any information pertaining to railroads in St. Louis. Most of this information is secondary sources and sketchy. The newsclippings on various topics, such as bridges, is very helpful. The information on Union Station, while limited, is also very useful.

The Transportation series is brief and very sketchy. Most of the information is newspapers concerning Bi-State Bus Lines. It is little help to someone researching railroads other than as a comparison.

The microfilm series is a mixture of primary and secondary sources. This copy of the Wabash scrapbooks include correspondence and newsclippings for the most part. Also included is the Wabash Company's first cash book and a collection of mortgage notes and coupons. Two scrapbooks deal with specific topics: the purchasing committee and the reorganization of the company. These two are especially useful sources.

Although the Spreen Railroad papers are mostly secondary sources, there are several primary sources which are useful to researchers. Even the newsclippings are helpful because it is an

abundance of information contained in one place. The original documents and the scrapbooks are especially useful to researchers. The correspondence is sketchy, but helpful. Many of the articles will help researchers by pointing them to other sources. In sum, this collection contains a wealth of information.

SERIES DESCRIPTIONS

Series 1, Eads Bridge: This series includes articles, ads, newsclippings, the original patents, postcards, and general information on the bridge and the Eads family. The information dates from 1873 to 1981.

Series 2, General Railroad History: This series primarily consists of articles and histories concerning railroads in the United States. Also included is information concerning locomotives, postcards, and President Lincoln's association with railroads. Several Travel Guides are also included. The information dates from 1869 to 1961.

Series 3, Miscellaneous: The information in this series is topics which were not easily incorporated in other series. Topics include floods, Daniel Boone, Junior Chamber of Commerce of St. Louis, and the Mark Twain Shrine. Dates include 1903 to 1961.

Series 4, Railroad Lines: This series has been divided into the following subseries: Ann Arbor Railroad (1900-1931), Burlington Northern Railroad (1884-1982), Frisco Railroad (1948-1973), Illinois Terminal Railroad (1931-1978), Katy Railroad (1945-1982), Missouri Pacific Railroad (1926-1982), Norfolk and Western Railroad (1937-1981), Northern Cross Railroad (1845-1937), North Missouri Railroad (1850-1981), Wabash Railroad (1851-1980), and Other Railroad Lines (1850-1980). Any information which can be ascribed to a specific railroad line will be found in this series.

Series 5, Railroad Museums: This series has also been divided into subseries. The subseries are: Museum of Transport (1946-1982), National Museum of Transportation (1945-1982), and Other Railroad Museums (1952-1982). Any information which can be ascribed to railroad museums will be found in series 5.

Series 6, Railroad Societies and Associations: The following subseries are included in this series: National Railway Historical Society (1952-1982), Railway and Locomotive Historical Society (1934-1980), St. Louis Railway and Locomotive Historical Society (1938-1982), St. Louis Railway Enthusiasts Club (1943-1981), Terminal Railroad Association (1904-1928), The Lexington Group (1942-1982), Wabash, Frisco, and Pacific Association, Inc. (1941-1966), Wabash Railroad Historical Society (1978-1982), and Other Railroad Societies and Associations (1896-1982).

Series 7, St. Louis Railroads: This series contains information concerning the railroad industry in St. Louis. Topics include Conrail, Bridges, Union Station and a multitude of articles and newspaper clippings. The information dates from 1894 to 1982.

Series 8, Transportation: This series consists of material concerning transportation other than railroads. It includes bus lines and streetcars. Dates from 1977 to 1980.

Series 9, Recordings: This series consists of a lp and a cassette recording of locomotive sounds. The date of the recording is unknown.

Series 10, Photographs: This series consists of photographs of locomotives, centennials, celebrations, and railroad stations. The photographs date from 1899 to 1981.

Series 11, Microfilm: This series is a microfilmed copy of several scrapbooks. Also included is the first cash book of the Wabash Railroad along with mortgage notes and coupons from predecessor companies. Dates include 1855 to 1931.

Series 12, Buttons: This series consists primarily of buttons from various town centennials. They are primarily from the 1950s.

Series 13, Oversize Documents: Most of the information in this series are photostats--of ads, newspapers, and travel guides. A few originals are included. Railroad stamps from the Chicago Railroad Fair are encapsulated in this box. Most of this information is undated.

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- 8. Disasters Involving Eads Bridge, Newsclippings
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