MILTON E. CONKLING, COLLECTOR. NY, ONTARIO & WESTERN RAILWAY PAPERS, c. 1869-1958.

GUIDE
AUTHOR/NAME: New York and Western Railroad.

TITLE: New York and Western Railroad papers, 1869-1948.

DESCRIPTION: 18.6 cubic ft.; 3 v.; 2 rolls.

SUBJECTS: Railroads--New York (State)
          Railroads--Maintenance and repair--New York (State)
          Employees--New York (State)
          Brass checks
          Account books.
          Timetables.
          New York and Oswego Railroad.

NOTES: Includes collection #2058.

SUMMARY: Time tables, notices, circulars, employee agreements, material pertaining to the maintenance of equipment, freight and passenger account books, brass checks for non-English speaking employees, special passes, a typescript history of the two railroads, and other material for the New York and Oswego Railroad, its successor, the New York, Ontario and Western Railroad, and many connecting lines.

CITE AS: New York and Western Railroad Papers, #1443. Division of Rare and Manuscript Collections, Cornell University Library.
Operating time tables, notices, circulars (1869-1948) for the New York and Oswego Midland Railroad, its successor, the New York Ontario and Western Railroad and various connecting lines: New York Central (River Division) (1927-1947); Lehigh & Hudson River Railroad; Pennsylvania, Poughkeepsie and Boston; Central New England and Western; Orange County Railroad; New York, West Shore and Buffalo; Syracuse, Ontario and New York; middletown and Crawford; Utica, Ithaca and Elmira; Cesanovia, Canastota and DeRuyter; Delaware and Hudson Canal Company; Richelieu and Ontario Navigation Company; New York and Greenwood Lake; Syracuse, Chenango and New York; Midland Railroad of New Jersey; New York, Susquehanna and Western Railroad; Utica, Clinton and Binghamton; New York, Lake Erie and Western (now Erie Railroad); Rome, Watertown and Coldsburg; and New York Central and Hudson River Railroad. Printed materials concerning rules and general orders, employee agreements, and maintenance of railroad equipment of the New York and Oswego Midland and New York, Ontario and Western Railroads (1869-1937); also freight and passenger account books for the Delhi station (1872-1915); Brass checks for non-English speaking employees, record of special passes (1888), typescript history of the two railroads and Annual Reports to the stockholders (1880-1934); materials relating to the other railroads, United Railroad Employees Magazine (1936-1952), other magazines and miscellaneous photos, maps, etc.

Donated by M. E. Conkling 73 Sprague Ave. Middletown, N.Y.

Card entries:

Inventory, 3

approx. 6000 pcs. + items +

8 Miss. Vols.

5 photographs

104 periodicals

2 ref. Vols.

Note: only newspaper clipping of 1869. Utica, Ithaca, + Elmira R.R. employees. M.D. 7% per C.R.
New York, Ontario, and Western Railway
Records.

Shelf list — 6-16" box, 1 oversized box, 5 vols. and 2 rolls loose on shelf:

Box 1 — Pulp, Jervis, monticello cash book, 1873-74; Book of various notices and general orders, 1881-1902; Timetables.

Box 2 — Vacation tickets and printed material

Box 3 — Annual reports for N.Y.O & W. to stockholders, 1880-1934; Record book of special contract and life passengers N.Y.O & W., Book of rules, 1855; 2 brass checkers.

Box 4 — United Railroad Employee magazine, and Baldwin locomotive magazine

Box 5 — (oversize)

Box 6 — Photographs — 4 items, subjects are locomotives and employees

5 oversized vols. loose on shelf.

2 rolls on bonds loose on shelf. 5-27-01

Railroad accountant. These additional papers [see 1950-1954 Report] include a statistical record book of the New York & Oswego Midland Railway (1871-1878), which gives the opening dates of each section of the line and its branches and leased lines, rolling stock inventories, equipment bond subscription list, comparative data on twelve lines operating in the East and Mid-West, and other information; M.J. Edwards' dispatchers' memoranda book (1884), listing bridges, switches, and engines on the Middle Division; other handwritten dispatchers' reports for the Middle Division (1876) and Northern and Utica Divisions (1930); correspondence, memoranda, and other items pertaining to personnel administration (1933-1943) and to the activities of the N.Y.O.&W. Veterans Association, of which Mr. Conkling was treasurer (1925-1933). Also, pamphlets and other printed material, including instructions to employees, operating rules, agreements between railroad brotherhoods and the line, rate schedules, time tables, locomotive classification data, summer excursion posters, photographs, scattered railroad periodicals, and annual reports to the Interstate Commerce Commission (6 vols., 1947-1952). Unpublished guide available. 6 boxes (32").

Card entry:


Cross references to main entry:

New York, Ontario & Western Railway
Railroads (maintenance and operation)

Added entry:

New York & Oswego Midland Railway

Picture Collection Card:

Railroads (New York, Ontario & Western) #2058

Conkling, Milton E., Collector. NY, O & W Papers

Photograph of officers: Geo. L. Geer, R. W. Crans, M. E. Conkling, of the O & W veteran employees' group, taken at its 1925 Reunion held at Chenango Lake, Norwich, N. Y.

Hillig Studio, Liberty, N. Y.

7½" w. x 9½" h.

Retained with #2058; not in general Picture Collection.
CONKLING: COLLECTOR Box #1 (16")


The index lists subjects covered (opening of branches; distance between stations and to New York; opening dates of each section; comparison of earnings and rolling stock of different roads; etc.) and indicates page numbers of each item. Entries from 1871 to 1878. First section opened in 1869.


Blank form - N.Y. & Oswego Midland RR. - Daily report of cars received and delivered to other roads with list of names handwritten on reverse side.

Booklet of unused parlor car tickets (form G.P.A. 14) N.Y.O.&W. Ry. NOTE: 10 distributed, 43 unallocated.


N.Y.O.&W. Ry. Co. - Northern and Utica Divisions - Dispatcher's Record of Movement of Trains - Time Table #34, Thursday, Jan. 9, 1930. Mss. entries on printed form.


Constitution and By-Laws of N.Y.O.&W. Ry. Employees' Square Club and application blanks for same.

Pamphlet in envelope addressed to Conkling -- advertisement for The Erie Lt'd.

Booklet - round trip tickets for Firthcliffe on N.Y.O.&W. line. NOTE: 18 distributed, 14 unallocated.


N.Y.O.M. RR., Middle Division - Train Reports - (Moving North & Moving South Wednesday, April 19, 1876 (Form #16, movement of trains), 2 sheets). Mss. entries on printed form.

Agreement between N.Y.O.&W. and Brotherhood of Railroad Signalmen of America effective July 1, 1945, booklet - 28 pp.
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Agreement between Participating Eastern, Western & Southeastern Carriers and
Employees Represented by the 15 Cooperating Ry. Labor Organizations, Aug. 21, 1934,
booklet - 38 pp.

Middletown Times Herald, June 10, 1938.


Memo book - lists bridges, switches, engines of Middle Division, N.Y.O.&W. Ry.,

**Large brown envelope - correspondence and other papers, 1933-1943; included are
photostat of balance sheet of N.Y.O.&W. Ry. Sept. 30, 1942. This also may be
of interest -- letter, June 11, 1941, to Capt. W. W. Robinson, Troop A, N.Y.S. Police,
Batavia, N.Y. -- asks Capt. Robinson to assist Miss Barbara Kurtz who is writing
a these on railroads for Prof. Gates. Apparently Robinson has material on
N.Y.O.&W. RR. Mostly personnel matters.

Loose mimeo and printed material - 1931 - circulars to shippers and receivers
using N.Y.O.&W. line.

Sheet mounted on cardboard - Honor Roll - World War II, Accounting Dept.,
N.Y.O.&W. Ry., Middletown, N.Y.

Last public time table issued by the N.Y.O.&W. Ry for period June 22-Sept. 10, 1953.

Report of Chief Executives of 15 Cooperating Ry. Labor Organizations participating
in the Joint National Rules Movement, 1953, 8 pp. (strike ballot is included
as part of this circular). Printed.

Waybill - Bloomingburgh, June 30, 1858 - stage coach and letter.

American Express Co. - circular #74 - Buffalo September 2, 1874 -- Tariff
Department notices to agents and messengers.

Program - parade for Golden Jubilee Celebration of the incorporation of the
City of Middletown, 1888-1938, June 9, 1938.

Middletown Times Herald - Golden Jubilee issue, June 8, 1938.

' " " " - March 30, 1957 - headling "Old and Weary Calls it Quits".

Middletown Daily Record - April 1, 1957.

N.Y.O.&W. Ry. Co. - Schedule of Rates of Pay & Rules Governing Train and Yard

and Push Cars, April 1, 1931, 15 pp. Printed.

N.Y.O.&W. Ry. Co. - Supplemental Instructions for the Governing of the
Operating Department, revised July 1, 1922, 81 pp. Printed.


Blueprint type sheet - N.Y.O.&W. Ry. Co. - Motive Power Department Classification
of Locomotives, May 1926.
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Broadside - Spend July 30, 1899 in the Mountains, $1.00 Excursion to Midway Park (timetable of train given).

Handbills - Travel Diesel All the Way... to and from Orange and Sullivan County Mountain Resorts -- reverse side gives Summer Time Table, N.Y.O.&W., May 24-Sept. 10, 1953.


Poster - Summer Time-Table, N.Y.O.&W., 1953.

Notice - executive order, Dec. 27, 1943 - Pres. of U.S. takes possession and control of transportation facilities of the company. Action taken to avoid threatened interruption of vital transportation service...essential to successful prosecution of the war.


*Contents of Brown Envelope:

Photograph - O.&W. Veterans' Reunion, 1925, individuals identified.


Summary of Operations sheet - 3 months ending March 31, 1951 and 1952.

N.Y.O.&W. propaganda sheet (pictures & text), nd.

Program and menu - Erie Centenary Celebration, Middletown C. of C., May 26, 1943.


*Material transferred to jute folders, 12-7-64. N.D.
Contents of paper parcel:

Bound volume of Time Tables of N.Y. Central Railroad Co., River Division, Time Table #5 effective June 24, 1917 to Time Table #45, effective April 25, 1937. Bulletin Pamphlet #13, for employees only issued Jan. 1, 1918 is included.


N.Y. Central Railroad Co., River Division, Time Tables 68-76, 78-80 (including supplements to 76, 80) April 30, 1950-Nov. 15, 1956.

Published Annual Reports of N.Y.O.&W. Ry. to I.C.C. for years 1947-1952, 6 volumes.

The Courier Magazine, October 1953.

Railroad Magazine, September 1946.

N.Y., Susquehanna & Western Railroad --
   Time Table #1 - April 28, 1940, 5 copies.
   Time Table #2 - Sept. 29, 1940, 1 copy.
   Time Table #4 - Sept. 28, 1941, 3 copies.
   Supplement to #4 - Jan. 1, 1942, 3 copies.
   Supplement to #5 - May 24, 1942, 3 copies.
   Erie Railroad Co., Time Table #24, April 27, 1941, 1 copy.

Material in office:

1 photograph of track on waterfront which shows strings of coal cars and tracks extending onto pier Cornwall-on-Hudson Terminal.

Milton E. Conkling Papers

Box 4

Photographs — mainly relating to trains

Box 5

Typescripts of Articles of Incorporation of N.Y.O & W. Rly
Organisation Chart, 1954; Lists of employees, 1882-1935; photostats of Trial
Balances, 1937-1938; Reorganisation of railroad and sale of lands, 1952.
Train detours, 1955
Campaign to raise $250,000 for N.Y.O & W. Rly
Items concerning employees of O & W — birthdays, salaries, etc.
Railway passes and tickets, etc.
Track, freight and locomotive information
Radio interview, 1942 (A.E. Tompkins),
Railroadians of America, Vol. 1, No. 1. 1939
"The New Line between New York and the Thousand Isles" n.d. (Old illustrated
brochure including map)
Blank dispatchers' records and samples of letterhead and envelopes.
Broadsides and maps

Box 6

Scrapbook of General Orders of N.Y.O. & W. Rly, 1897-1909
Timetables
Vacation guides
Printed matter of various kinds
News clippings
Mortgage Bonds
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New York, Ontario and Western Railway Company. Records, 1866-1960. (Card 5)

Ithaca and Elmira Railroad; and Wharton Valley Railroad Company.

Described in Reports of the curator and archivist, Collection of Regional History and the University Archives, Cornell University (1950-54) p. 44 and (1958-62) p. 38, 54, 62-63.


New York, Ontario and Western Railway Company. Records, 1866-1960. (Card 4)

Connecting Railway Company; Pennsylvania, Poughkeepsie and Boston Railroad; Port Jervis, Monticello & Summitville Railroad Company; Poughkeepsie & Delaware Railroad Company; Richelieu and Ontario Navigation Company; Rome & Clinton Railroad Company; Rome, Watertown and Ogdensburg Railroad; Scranton & Forest City Railroad; Scranton Coal Company; Syracuse Chenango and New York Railroad; Syracuse, Ontario and New York Railroad; Utica, Clinton and Binghamton Railroad; Utica,

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