

**Title:** Bilty, Charles H. Papers

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**Historical Note:** Charles Bilty worked with the Chicago, Milwaukee, and St. Paul Railroad for 50 years. In 1911, he became Mechanical Engineer for the entire Milwaukee Road system and worked in that capacity until he retired in 1943. The records consist of clippings, a manuscript by Bilty on the Hiawatha, articles by Bilty, annual reports, patents, diagrams, publications re railroads in Wisconsin and in general, and miscellaneous records pertaining to company locomotives. There is also a file of Harley Davidson histories and brochures from Charles Bilty's son, George.

**Administrative Note:** The collection was reprocessed on August 17, 2002 by Kevin Abing.

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Miscellaneous Railroad and Personal Material	1	1
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Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul & Pacific Employee Magazines, 1934, 1938, 1952	1	4
Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul & Pacific Annual Reports, 1941, 1944, 1946	1	5
Diagrams/Blueprints (C.M.& St. P. Railroad)	1	6
Publications re: Railroads – Wisconsin - <i>Four Generations on the Line: Highlights Along The Milwaukee Road's First Hundred Years</i> , 1950 - <i>The Railroads of Wisconsin, 1827-1937</i> - <i>Railroad and Motive Power Historical Abstracts</i> , 1931	1	7
Publications re: Railroads – General - "The End of an Era," by L. K. Sillcox, 1935 - <i>The Story of the Royal Scot</i> , 1933 - <i>Life of James Watt</i> , by Duncan J. Kerr, 1938 - <i>The Story of the Brake Shoe: From Roman Carts to Streamlined Trains</i> 1938 - "The Railroad Passenger Deficit Problem," 1957 - <i>Fanny Kemble's Ride on the Liverpool &amp; Manchester Railway</i> , by William Bell Wait, 1939 - <i>Milepost 100: The Story of the Development of the Burlington Lines, 1849-1949</i> , by R. C. Overton, 1949	1	8

- <i>Highlights of American Railroad History</i> , ca. 1937		
- <i>Magna Carta for Transportation</i> , ca. 1960		
- <i>Diary of a Round House Foreman</i> , by T. S. Reilly, 1912		
Clippings re: Milwaukee Road, the Hiawatha, and Railroads in General	1	9
Harley-Davidson Histories, Brochures, etc. (from George Bilty)	1	10
Chicago, Milwaukee, & St. Paul Locomotive Related Records, ca. 1917-1918	1	11
<b>Technical Publications</b>	<b>Box #</b>	<b>Folder #</b>
<i>Lighting Engineers' Hand-Book</i> , comp. by L. R. Pomeroy, 1909	2	Loose in box
<i>The Electrical Solicitors' Handbook</i> , 1910	2	Loose in box
<i>Electric Welding</i> , 1916	2	Loose in box
<i>Heating and Ventilating Buildings. A Manual for Heating Engineers and Architects</i> , by Rolla C. Carpenter, 1907	2	Loose in box
<i>Electrification of C.M. &amp; St. P. Ry: Bi-Polar Type of Passenger Locomotive</i> , 1925	2	Loose in box
Report of Mechanical Advisory Committee to the Federal Coordinator of Transportation: Motive Power for Steam Railroads, 1935	2	Loose in box
<b>Oversize Items</b>	<b>Location</b>	
Mechanical drawings done by C. H. Bilty	MV F34	
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