Title: Chicago North Shore and Milwaukee Railway Collection

Call Number: Mss-1954

**Inclusive Dates:** 1920 – 1996

**Bulk:** 0.6 cu. ft.

Location: BV, Sh. 113

**Historical Note:** The Chicago North Shore and Milwaukee Railroad was an interurban railroad providing freight and passenger service between Chicago and Milwaukee. It was formed in 1916 and experienced periods of high ridership during the 1920s and World War II era, but the company suffered during the post-war period from competition with automobiles. The last trains on the North Shore line ran on January 22, 1963.

All of the material in this collection, which was turned over to the Milwaukee County Historical Society in 1984, comes from the files of the Milwaukee & Suburban Transport Corporation. M & STC and/or some of its officers apparently showed an interest in purchasing the North Shore when it requested permission from the ICC to abandon its service.

**Administrative Note:** The collection was processed on March 2, 1993 by Jeewon Schally. Steve Daily added material to the collection on July 11, 1995 and Feb. 17, 1996. Additional material was added to the collection on Jan. 2001 & Dec. 2003 by K. Abing. Additional material added to the collection on March 1, 2019 by Tia Stenson.

## **Arrangement:**

| Contents   | Box # | Folder # |
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|  |       |          |
| Booklets describing Railway (includes chronological history, description of                                      | 1     | 1        |
| property, services performed, employees, and financial information) (1958)                                       |       |          |
| Newspaper Clippings (1958-1960)  | 1     | 2        |
| Agreements between Railway and Commonwealth Edison Company (1957)  | 1     | 3        |
| Financial Statements (1932-1958)   | 1     | 4        |
| Correspondence (1958-1960)   | 1     | 5        |
| Proceedings before Illinois Commerce Commission (1959) and Interstate  | 1     | 6        |
| Commerce Commission (1958-1959)  |       |          |
| Aerotrain Sales Information (1958)   | 1     | 7        |
| Interurban to Milwaukee: Bulletin 106, 1962  | 1     | 7a       |
| Miscellaneous  |       |          |
| - Schedules (1960, 1977)   |       |          |
| - Pamphlet describing the Electroliner   |       |          |
| - Article from Reader's Digest describing the short haul passenger   | 1     | 8        |
| business (1958)  |       |          |
| <ul> <li>Pamphlet describing some of reasons Railway has applied for permission to abandon operations</li> </ul> |       |          |

- The North Shore Bulletin (1926)
- North Shore Line entertainment guide (1940)
- East Troy Trolley Museum (1976)
- Pamphlet from Railway "To our Patrons" (1920)
- North Shore Line time tables (1941)
- North Shore Line schedule of trains (1942)
- Locomotive & Railway Preservation magazine article on Arthur Gerber, architect of stations in the Chicago area (March/April 1996)
- Map of North Shore Line, 1940, 1956
- 12 Ride Weekly Commutation Book
- Party Ticket packet
- \$100 Stock Certificate, 1923
- First and Fastest Winter 2012 (The Final Day, January 20,1963)
- Trolleys to Milwaukee: A Pictorial Review of the North Shore Line (January 20, 1963)
- Scale Model Traction and Trolleys Quarterly, article on The North Shore Line's 5 cent Nickel Dinky (summer 1981)

Weekly ticket books, commutation books, transfers, and passage stubs.

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2 Loose
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