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**Abstract:** Milwaukee's early transportation history has always been dominated by its geographic relationship to certain waterways. Milwaukee is situated where three rivers meet Lake Michigan. This geographic situation connected Milwaukee with the other major waterways in the upper Midwest: the Great Lakes (and St. Lawrence Seaway) and the Mississippi. This collection traces Milwaukee's association with these various waterways. It also includes numerous pamphlets associated with specific steamship companies that sailed the Great Lakes.

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**Notes:** Collection originally processed by Jeewon Schally, July 1993.

**Arrangement:**

Folder Heading	Box #	File #
Mississippi Pamphlets <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Advertisements by Streckfus Steamboat Line regarding travel on the Mississippi River</li><li>- "Mississippi Stern Wheelers" compiled by Captain Frederick Way Jr. (1947)</li></ul>	1	1
St. Lawrence Seaway Pamphlets <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Informational Brochures</li><li>- Maps (1952, 1959)</li><li>- "Corridor of Commerce" - A Statement of Objectives of the National St. Lawrence Association</li><li>- "The St. Lawrence Seaway and Wisconsin" by The State Historical Society of Wisconsin (1960)</li><li>- "The 8th Sea" (1957)</li><li>- "The St. Lawrence Seaway" (1955)</li><li>- "A new frontier for world shipping"</li><li>- "The St. Lawrence Seaway" (1941)</li></ul>	1	2

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- "Domestic Commerce Advantages of the St. Lawrence Seaway to the Coastal Areas of the United States"</li> <li>- "The St. Lawrence Seaway: A Navigation and Power Project in the Interest of National Defense" (1940)</li> <li>- "Why do the Railroads Oppose the St. Lawrence Seaway?" (1946)</li> <li>- President Franklin Roosevelt's Message regarding the St. Lawrence Seaway (1940)</li> <li>- "A Gift to the Nations" by Hon. Chas. E. Townsend (1940)</li> <li>- Information prepared for the Committee on Foreign Relations, United States Senate regarding the St. Lawrence Seaway (1959, 1960)</li> <li>- Speeches of Harry S. Truman to the House of Representatives regarding the St. Lawrence Seaway (1952)</li> <li>- Seaway Conference in Detroit (1936)</li> <li>- "St. Catherine Ontario and the Welland Ship Canal" (1933)</li> <li>- Reading lists regarding the St. Lawrence Seaway compiled by the Milwaukee Public Library (1958, 1959)</li> <li>- Michigan Ocean Lines Brochure (1960)</li> <li>- The Crosby Transportation Co. (1897)</li> <li>- Rates of Transportation from New York through various canals (1853)</li> <li>- Buell's Scale of Prices for Equalizing Canal Freights (1854)</li> <li>- Union transportation Company (1852)</li> </ul>		
<p>St. Lawrence Seaway Pamphlets</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Steel and the St. Lawrence Seaway (1946)</li> <li>- For National Defense? (1941-1947)</li> <li>- The Way to The Sea: Book of Facts (1924)</li> <li>- Lest We Forget: The Michigan Great Lakes Tidewater Commission (1925)</li> <li>- President Harry S. Truman's Message regarding the St. Lawrence Seaway (1941)</li> <li>- Radio Address of Hon. Francis D. Culkin of New York (1941)</li> <li>- Waterways of the Democracies For Defense and Commerce (1941)</li> <li>- Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Deep Waterway Treaty (1933)</li> <li>- Remarks of Hon. Homer Ferguson of Michigan concerning questions (1944)</li> <li>- The Way To The Sea: Shall We Move The Atlantic? (1926)</li> <li>- The St. Lawrence Seaway and Power Project: For Defense and Commerce (1941)</li> <li>- Congressional Record: Seaway Is No "Pork-Barrel" Project" (1941)</li> <li>- Build The St. Lawrence Seaway Now!</li> <li>- Statement of Lachlan Macleay about St. Lawrence Seaway and Power Agreement (1946)</li> <li>- New England and The Seaway and The Seaway Treaty (1933)</li> <li>- The St. Lawrence Seaway Treaty: Its Effect On Agriculture-Mississippi Valley Association (1933-34)</li> <li>- Remarks of Hon. Louis C. Rabaut concerning questions (1941)</li> <li>- St. Lawrence Seaway Project: Digest of Hearings (1947)</li> </ul>	1	3

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The St. Lawrence Survey Part II. (1941)</li> <li>- St. Lawrence Ship Canal Proposition (1920)</li> <li>- America's Stake in the St. Lawrence Waterway (1945)</li> <li>- Remarks of Hon. Albert J. Engel of Michigan (1939)</li> <li>- Remarks of Hon. Bernard J. Gehrmann of Wisconsin (1942)</li> <li>- Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Tidewater Association (1934)</li> <li>- The St. Lawrence Waterway proponents' Side Remarks of Hon. Charles A. Plumley of Vermont (1941)</li> <li>- Remarks of Hon. Frank B. Keefe of Wisconsin and Address by Hon. William George Bruce (1939)</li> <li>- Remarks of Hon. Clarence E. Kilbourn of New York Concerning a letter from Hon. E. B. Crosby (1941)</li> <li>- Radio Address of Hon. Adolph A. Berie, Jr. and Remarks of Hon. Joseph J. Mansfield of Texas (1941)</li> <li>- Remarks of Hon. Francis D. Culkin of New York (1938)</li> <li>- Remarks of Hon. James H. Fay of New York (1939)</li> <li>- Questions and Answers On The St. Lawrence Seaway (1960)</li> <li>- Speech of Hon. Clarence E. Kilbourn (1940)</li> <li>- The Ogdensburg Journal: St. Lawrence--Great Lakes Seaway Edition</li> </ul>		
<p>Great Lakes Pamphlets</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- "The Great Lakes...the Main Artery in the Lifeline of American Industry" (1953)</li> <li>- "...the salt water U.S. Navy sails the...Inland Sea"</li> <li>- Picture of a 90 ton crane on the Great Lakes</li> <li>- Lists of Vessels lost: Lake Superior, 1845-1858, Great Lakes, 1868-1869, Great Lakes 1817-1930</li> <li>- "The Loss of the Lady Elgin" (1860)</li> <li>- "Terms and Synonyms used on Maritime Vessels Plying the Great Lakes" by Theo. Mueller</li> <li>- "Pilot rules for the Great Lakes and their Connecting and Tributary Waters" (1912)</li> <li>- "List of Lights and Fog Signals of the United States and the Dominion of Canada on the Northern Lakes and Rivers..." (1910)</li> <li>- "Great Lakes Sailing Ships" (1947)</li> <li>- "Water Way Tales" (1910)</li> <li>- "Ships of the Great Lakes" on exhibit at The Mariners' Museum, Newport News, Virginia (1943)</li> <li>- "Catalogue of the Robert L. Hague Collection" on exhibit at The Mariners' Museum, Newport News, Virginia (1941)</li> <li>- "The Saga of the J. T. Wing" by Robert E. Palmer</li> <li>- "Pictorial Marine History" (1926)</li> <li>- Announcing Publication of <i>Great Lakes Steam Vessels</i></li> <li>- "Marine Pictures, Ships, Harbor &amp; Lake Front"</li> <li>- "Telescope" published by The Great Lakes Model Shipbuilders' Guild (1954)</li> <li>- <i>Great Lakes and Inland Waterways</i> (1957)</li> </ul>	1	4

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- "Land of the Great Lakes"</li> <li>- <i>The Great Lakes News</i> (January 1949, April 1949)</li> <li>- "Interstate Port Handbook of Illinois and Indiana"</li> <li>- Changes in status of ships on the Great Lakes (1959)</li> <li>- Chippewa Hotel, Mackinac Island</li> <li>- "Lake Michigan Coastal Historical Tours"</li> <li>- "Wisconsin Exporters use Great Lakes Ports"</li> <li>- "Wisconsin Marine Historical Society's Marine Data Bases"</li> <li>- Postcard: "Building Wisconsin's Flagship!," 1996 (2 copies)</li> <li>- Wisconsin Coastal Historical Trails: Lake Superior, Lake Michigan</li> <li>- Racine Marine Project</li> <li>- "Shipyards at Manitowac"</li> <li>- "Examination and Survey of Sturgeon Bay and Lake Michigan Ship Canal, Wisconsin" House of Reps. Doc. No. 117, 1900</li> <li>- Clipping, "A Jules Verne Journey Across Lake Michigan's Bed," 1936</li> <li>- News Release re: Wrecks of <i>Rosinco</i> and <i>Fleetwing</i> Added to National Register of Historic Places, 2001</li> <li>- Wisconsin Great Lakes Chronicle, 2002 (2 copies)</li> <li>- Article on Milwaukee Lake Schooner, Ltd., 1993</li> <li>- The Sinking of the Linda-E" article, <i>Milwaukee Magazine</i>, 2000</li> <li>- "Our Great Lake" (a series of articles reprinted from the <i>Milwaukee Journal</i>), 1968 [2 copies]</li> </ul>		
<p>Great Lakes Harbor Association Pamphlets (G.L.H.A.)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Tenth Annual Meeting of the G.L.H.A. (1931)</li> <li>- Protest Meeting against Chicago Water Diversion (1926)</li> <li>- Withdrawal of water from Lake Michigan By the Chicago Sanitary District (1926)</li> <li>- A Great Protest Meeting Against The Colossal Chicago Water Steal! (1925)</li> <li>- Seventh Annual Meeting of the G.L.H.A. (1928)</li> <li>- Twelfth Annual Meeting of the G.L.H.A. (1933)</li> <li>- Convention Programs G.L.H.A. (1926) (1927)</li> <li>- Program Michigan Section G.L.H.A. (1931)</li> <li>- Eleventh Annual Meeting of the G.L.H.A. (1932)</li> <li>- The Colossal Diversion of Water into the Chicago Drainage Canal Address by William George Bruce (1923)</li> <li>- Proceedings of the Annual Convention G.L.H.A. (1926) (1928)</li> <li>- The Most Gigantic Engineering Blunder in America Address by William George Bruce (1925)</li> <li>- G.L.H.A and The Supreme Court of the United States (1933)</li> <li>- The Voice of Protest, Preamble and Resolutions Adopted by the G.L.H.A. (1926)</li> <li>- The Great Lakes Issue! by William George Bruce (1926)</li> <li>- Great Lakes Outlook a publication of the G.L.H.A. (1959)</li> <li>- Program, 1958 Annual Convention</li> </ul>	1	5

C & B Lines	1	6
C and O Auto Ferries (1957, 1956, 1960, 1972, 1980, 2003)	1	7
Chessie System Autoferry (1973,1974)	1	8
Chicago, Duluth & Georgian Bay Transit Co. (1916, 1917, 1944) - Menu/Post Card, Chicago, Duluth and Georgian Bay Transit Company, 1924	1	9
Crosby Line Steamers (1897, 1914, 1919)	1	10
D & C Lake Lines (1942, 1943)	1	11
Dominion Line (1907)	1	12
Graham & Morton Transportation Co. (1914)	1	13
Hamburg Amerika Line (1938)	1	14
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Pere Marquette Line Steamers (1896-97, 1914, 1932, 1939, 1942, 1943,1944)	1	17
S.S. Milwaukee Clipper & U.S.S. Milwaukee (1941, 1942, 1944-45, 1947, 1969, 1999, 2015)	1	18
Miscellaneous Steamship Companies	1	19
National Rivers and Harbors Congress, Great Lakes Commerce - Pamphlet WHAT IT IS WHAT IT DOES (1901) - Resolutions Adopted at a Special Session of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress (1933) - Program National Rivers and Harbors Congress Special Session (1933) - National Rivers and Harbors Congress Bulletin Number Two (1928) (1924) - National Rivers and Congress Twenty-Second Convention Bulletin Number One (1926) - National Rivers and Harbors Congress Bulletin Number One (1928) - National Waterways A Magazine of Transportation (1913) - A Menace to the Great Lakes Commerce - Proceedings of the Great Lakes Waterways Conferences (1914) - Report of Conference and Organization of the Great Lakes Commerce Ass'n (1919)	1	20
Wisconsin Marine Historical Society - "The 1979 Sinking and Subsequent Legal Saga of the S/S E.M. Ford" - Flyer, Day on the Shore of Lake Michigan, June 11, 2000 - "Winnibago Steamboat" Vol 30 N. 4, Winter 1990 - "Storm of 1929" Vol 31 No. 1, Spring 1991 - "Bump in the Fog" Vol 30, No. 3, Fall 1990 - The Wisconsin Marine Historical Society informational brochure - "The Whaleback Ship <i>Christopher Columbus</i> " Soundings Volume 64 No. 1, Spring 2024 - Biographical information for Todd Gordon	1	20A
Miscellaneous - "Instructions to Mariners in case of Shipwreck" by the U.S. Life-saving Service (1881)	1	21

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- "The Seamen's Bill"</li> <li>- "The Story of the Coast Guard"</li> <li>- Provincial Canals, Rates of Toll (1854)</li> <li>- "The Army and Navy Needle Book"</li> <li>- History of the U.S.S. Sablefish</li> <li>- "The Coast Guard: Small Service with a Big Mission" (1974)</li> <li>- "The Restoration of East India Marine Hall (1944)</li> <li>- Marine Poem with sewn cover</li> <li>- Sea Shanties</li> <li>- "Ships and Sailing" (1951)</li> </ul>		
<p>Miscellaneous</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A Canadian's Plan to Restore the Water Levels of The Great Lakes by Wallace J. Laut (1925)</li> <li>- United States Lake Survey (1962)</li> <li>- TELESCOPE Vol. 9 No.11 by the Great Lakes Maritime Institute (1960)</li> <li>- INCHES Key to Tonnage The Great Lakes Connecting Channels (1957)</li> <li>- The TELESCOPE Great Lakes Model Shipbuilders' Guild Vol. 2 No.7 (1953)</li> <li>- Model Tests of a fully Integrated River Tow by Rob A. Godfey (1967)</li> <li>- A Factory Ship For The Great Lakes Alewife Industry by John C. Chivvis &amp; Fred Y. Martin (1967)</li> <li>- Medusa Challenger 60,000 BBL. Cement Self-Unloader (1967)</li> <li>- Safety and Health Regulations for Maritime Work Injury Reporting and Other Provisions (1967)</li> <li>- Annual Report of The Inland Waterways Corporation (1939)</li> <li>- The New Jersey Ship Canal by Frederick W. Donnelly (1928)</li> <li>- Proceedings Lake Michigan Sanitation Congress (1927)</li> <li>- Reynolds Printing Second Edition (1944)</li> <li>- Welcome Aboard U.S.C.G.C. Mackinaw (1944)</li> <li>- International Waterways Commission Progress Report (1924)</li> <li>- The Passing of and Historic Waterway by F.E. Williams (1943)</li> <li>- Inventory of a car salvaged from the steamer <i>Norlond</i> out of Lake Michigan on July 18, 1923</li> <li>- Canadian inspection certificate for Steamboat <i>Glencairn</i> which was operated by Great Lakes Transportation Co., April 23, 1923 (original in OS SM "M")</li> <li>- "McDougall's Iron Whales" GLT&amp;L March 1989 article</li> <li>- Miscellaneous Clippings on the Coast Guard, 1959-1973</li> <li>- <i>Pull Together</i>, Newsletter of the Naval Historical Foundation, Spring/Summer 1995</li> <li>- <i>Schooner News</i>, Vol. 1, No. 1, 2-Vol. 2, No. 3, 1998</li> <li>- The <i>Christian Radich</i> of Oslo, Norway, ca. 1964</li> <li>- "Final Sailing Orders" on U.S.S. Wisconsin, 1999</li> <li>- Brochure, "Celebration Boarding Pass," n.d.</li> </ul>	1	22

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Clipping from Manistee Tribune on sinking of the Naomi in 1869</li> <li>- booklet, Coastweeks, 1988</li> <li>- 2007 Lake Express High Speed Ferry timetable</li> <li>- <i>Milwaukee Magazine</i> "Remembering the Brown God, October 1991(Milwaukee River)</li> <li>- <i>Surface Water Resources of Milwaukee County</i>, 1964</li> <li>- <i>Water Resources of the Milwaukee Area Wisconsin</i>, 1953</li> <li>- "Brief History of the Islay"</li> </ul>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>Newsweek Magazine</i> "Our New Inland Empire on the Sea: Milwaukee's Bid to the World" April 16, 1956</li> </ul>		
U.S.S. Wisconsin	1	23
<b>SCRAPBOOK</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>	
Scrapbook of marine-related clippings, 1940-1949	LC, Sh. 007	
<b>OVERSIZE MATERIAL</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>	
Poster: Pilot Rules for the Great Lakes, 1940	OS SM "M-2"	
Blueprints for a steel schooner	OS LG "M"	
Diagram of Hamburg-Amerika Line Ship <i>Milwaukee</i>	OS XLG	