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Steamboats and River History Collection, 1802-1986

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SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The Steamboats and River History Collection (formerly the Steamboats Collection) is an artificial, or subject-based, collection comprising a variety of documents that have been placed in this collection over the years due to their common subject matter. The bulk of the collection relates to river travel and commerce primarily in the vicinity of St. Louis and on the Missouri and Mississippi Rivers.

The collection includes more than 60 receipts and bills of lading, mostly dated pre-1900, for merchandise shipped on the rivers; letters, reminiscences, and journals, many of which contain accounts of nineteenth-century steamboat travel; brochures, booklets and other printed advertising material for tourist excursion boats, including the popular twentieth-century St. Louis steamboats *Admiral*, *President*, and *Delta Queen*; several twentieth-century newspaper clippings reflecting on the steamboat era in the West; menus; tickets; and licenses for steamboat officers.

Of particular note is a letter and petition of Robert R. Livingston and Robert Fulton to the governor of Upper Louisiana, dated 1810, requesting a monopoly to operate steamboats on the Upper Mississippi River.

The collection is arranged chronologically. In some cases, however, small groups of documents that are part of the same accession, or appear to be part of the same accession, have been retained together and filed by the date range of the documents.

Box 1, Folder 1

- 1802 Aug 27 Treasury Department circular signed Albert Gallatin to Robert Guerard, Beaufort, South Carolina. Contains regulations concerning Mississippi River trade. (1 item) (accession number 57-0054)
(OVERSIZE)
- 1804 Dec 19 Petition of John Boley (Boli) to the Justices of the Court of Quarter Sessions, St. Louis, requesting permission to run a ferry across the Meramec River from three miles below his dwelling house to the mouth of Fish Pot Creek. (1 item)
- 1805 Mar 19 Petition of Jean Baptiste Belan to the Judges of the Court of Quarter Sessions, St. Louis, requesting permission to establish a ferry across the Missouri River opposite St. Charles. (1 item)
- 1810 Aug 20 Letter signed Robert R. Livingston and Robert Fulton, Clermont, New York, to the governor of Upper Louisiana, petitioning the governor and legislature to grant them a monopoly to operate steamboats on the Upper Mississippi River. (1 item)
- 1810 Oct Printed petition of Robert R. Livingston and Robert Fulton to the Upper Louisiana Legislature for the exclusive right to navigate the waters of Upper Louisiana, and the printed Act of the Legislature “granting and securing to Robert R. Livingston and Robert Fulton, the sole right and advantage of making and employing for a limited time the steamboat or boats by them invented.” (1 item)
(OVERSIZE)
- 1813 July 6 Memorandum of agreement between James O’Hara and John Livingston, agent of the Mississippi Steamboat Company, regarding property in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. (1 item) (accession number 58-0048)
- 1814 Jan 14 Letter signed Edward Livingston, New Orleans, to Robert Fulton regarding raising money for the building of new boats and purchase of land. Includes typescript copy. (2 items) (purchased from Walter R. Benjamin, New York, April 29, 1952)
- 1814 July 19-Aug 4 Unsigned, incomplete journal describing travels to Turin, New York, including two one-day steamboat trips and intervening visit with Mr. McVickers, near Hyde Park, New York. (12 pages)
- 1819-1825 Bill of lading and receipts for the steamboat *General Pike*. (5 items)

Box 1, Folder 2

1819-1842

Typescript extracts (77 pages) from the *Missouri Intelligencer* and *Columbia Patriot* regarding steamboat travel and commerce on the Missouri River. Most of the articles relate to General William Ashley's expedition against the Arikara Indians in 1823. Includes duplicate copy of first 10 pages. (2 items)

Box 1, Folder 3

1821-1823

Four letters signed A. Saunders to wife, Catherine Saunders, in Lexington, Kentucky. Letters dated near the mouth of the Arkansas River, January 14, [1821], and Natchez, January 18, 1821, discuss his steamboat voyage on the Mississippi River en route to New Orleans. The other two letters are dated Chillicothe, January 18, 1823, and Wheeling, January 27, 1823. (4 items) (accession number 64-0036)

1823 Feb 24

Bill of lading for the steamboat *Maysville*, signed R. Buchanan, bound for St. Louis. (1 item) (accession number 64-0065)

1826 Oct 7

Bill of lading for keel boat *Water Witch*, signed Pemberton S. Bridges, bound for Franklin. (1 item)

circa 1830

Unsigned fragment of journal describing first few days aboard the steamboat *Lady of the Lake*, up the Mississippi from New Orleans to Natchez. (3 pages) (accession number 76-0061)

1832 Jan 17-June 12

Typescript copy of information concerning river conditions and related damage to steamboats, property, and farms, excerpted from the *Missouri Republican*. (3 pages)

1835

Photocopy of typescript extract from *Rambler in North America, 1832-1833* (published in 1835) by Charles Joseph Latrobe, describing first voyage of the steamboat *New Orleans* from Pittsburgh to Natchez. (2 items)

1836 June 23

Letter signed Fred. Frey and other cabin passengers on board the steamboat *Mogul*, Mississippi River, to Captain Sparhawk, steamboat *Majestic*, thanking the captain for removing the ship from a bar in Horse Shoe Bend. Also includes undated typescript article titled "Death of Captain George W. Sparhawk," newspaper clipping regarding his death, and letter signed Mrs. F.M. Leavenworth, to the Missouri Historical Society, March 9, [no year], telling of the activities of her father and his activities. (4 items)

- 1836 Sept 25 Manifest of cargo on board steamship *North Alabama* from Vicksburg to New Orleans. **(OVERSIZE)**
- 1837 Mar 27 Broadside copy of deposition of Laurent Provencal and Casetan Levesque stating that Charles Becket had told them that he sank the steamboat *Tiskilwa* for one hundred dollars paid him by the captain of the *Wisconsin*. **(transferred to Broadsides Collection)**
- Box 1, Folder 4**
1838-1876
- Bill of lading for nails shipped by Thomas Sloo, Jr., New Orleans, on board the steamboat *Vandalia*, to Bridge Rayburn & Co., St. Louis, October 13, 1838.
- Bill of lading for copper and tin shipped by Small & McGill, New Orleans, on board the steamboat *Julia Chouteau*, to Bridge & Hale, St. Louis, October 25, 1843.
- Bill of lading for hemp shipped by Henderson, Roberts, & Co., Lexington, Missouri, on board the steamboat *Nodaway*, to Bridge & Hale, St. Louis, February 21, 1844.
- Receipt for supplies sent by Jno. P. Sebree, Jr., on board the steamboat *Belle St. Louis*, to John Farrington, Franklin, [Missouri,] 1876.
- Box 1, Folder 5**
1838 Jan 3
- Typescript copy of notes related to commerce of St. Louis, 1831-1837, taken from the *Missouri Argus* on file at the St. Louis Mercantile Library. (1 item) (accession number 74-0054)
- 1838 Oct 31 Bill of lading for sundries, scissors, and glass, shipped by Jessee McKee, St. Louis, on board the keel boat *Little Red*, to Jessee McKee, Naples, Illinois. Notation on document states: "Received of William McKee, executor of the estate of Jessee McKee, deceased, \$2.57," March 27, 1839. (1 item) (accession number 64-0027)
- 1839 Mar 12 Broadside for the steam ferry boat *South St. Louis*. **(transferred to Broadsides Collection)**
- 1841 June 19 Letter signed Pope & West, St. Louis, to J. Geo. Kriechbaum, Burlington, Iowa Territory, regarding sale of oats, wheat, and bacon.
- circa 1842-1855 Business card of Wm. Alter, steamboat agent, St. Louis.

1842 Oct 6

Bill of lading for tobacco shipped by R.M. Hening & Co., Alexandria, Missouri, on board the steamboat *Rosalie*, to Gore & Ridgaway [Ridgway?], St. Louis. (1 item) (accession number 57-0146)

Box 1, Folder 6

1843-1864

Bill of lading for lead shipped by C.A. Mackenzie, Potosi, on board the steamboat *Chippewa*, to K. Mackenzie, St. Louis, November 16, 1843.

Bill of lading for corn shipped by Captain Jno. H. Ferry, Louisville, on board the steamboat *City Belle*, to Captain W. Mills, Nashville, February 17, 1863.

Bill of lading for corn shipped by Captain Jno. H. Ferry, Louisville, on board the steamboat *Glasgow*, to Captain W. Mills, Nashville, March 25, 1863.

Bill of lading for tobacco shipped by A. Fatman, Paducah, on board the U.S. Transport *Glasgow*, to Morris Ranger, Evansville, Indiana, March 22, 1863.

Receipt for cattle of Capt. Chas. W. Lyman, Memphis, to be delivered by the steamboat *White Cloud* to Capt. Henry S. Chubb, Vicksburg, July 11, 1863.

Bill of lading for corn shipped by Barrows, Millard & Co., Rockport Landing, on board the steamboat *Island City*, to Capt. S. Bagg, Long Lake, June 3, 1864.

Box 1, Folder 7

1843-1873

Typescript copies of manuscripts in the LaBarge Collection at the St. Charles County Historical Society, including the following: incomplete letter to the editor of the Missouri Republican containing an account of a trip up the Missouri River in 1843 on the steamboat Omega accompanied by John Audubon; Joseph LaBarge's account of a trip up the Missouri River on the steamboat Martha in 1848, in which they were attacked by the Yankton Indians; journal entries dated July 1873 regarding the seizure of Capt. LaBarge's steamer DeSmet by Deputy U.S. Marshal C.D. Hard at Fort Benton, Montana Territory; commercial agreement between Robert H. Lemon, agent for LaBarge, Harkness & Co., and Andrew Dawson, agent for P. Chouteau, Jr. & Co., dated August 31, 1863; Joseph LaBarge's undated reminiscences of a voyage up the Missouri River in 1863 on

the steamboat Robert Campbell, in which they were attacked by Indians at the Tobacco Garden; Joseph LaBarge's undated reminiscences of a voyage up the Missouri River in 1867 with a government commission to meet with the Indians; and business correspondence of John M. Lee with LaBarge, Harkness & Co., 1862. (22 pages) (accession number 62-0103)

Box 1, Folder 8
1845-1863

Bill of lading for clothing shipped by J.H. Siegrist, St. Louis, on board the steamboat *Die Vernon*, to Richardson & Pea, Keokuk, Iowa, June 8, 1854.

United States Order for Transportation for shipment of ordnance on board the steamer *W.H. Russell* from Jefferson City to Kansas City, dated October 3, 1862. Document contains the stamp of Capt. Charles Parsons, assistant quartermaster at St. Louis.

Receipt of payment of the steamer *Davenport* to Marshall & Bannon, St. Louis, for bread and yeast, November 12, 1862. Document contains the stamp of Capt. Charles Parsons, assistant quartermaster at St. Louis.

Bill of lading for muskets shipped by A. Meyer, on board the steamboat *Pocahontas*, to Col. F.D. Callender, Cairo, December 1862. Document contains the stamp of Capt. Charles Parsons, assistant quartermaster at St. Louis.

Receipt of payment of Col. F.D. Callender to the Regular Passenger Packet for shipment of guns on the steamer *Pocahontas*, December 13, 1862. Document contains the stamp of Capt. Charles Parsons, assistant quartermaster at St. Louis.

Receipt of the United States to the Regular St. Louis & New Orleans Passenger Packet for transportation of men and supplies on board the steamer *Ruth*, from Columbus, Kentucky, to Helena, Arkansas, January 24, 1863. Receipt includes engraving of the *Ruth*. Document contains the stamp of Capt. Charles Parsons, assistant quartermaster at St. Louis.

Bill of lading for cattle shipped on board the steamboat *Era*, St. Louis, to James M. Kellogg, Memphis, February 1863. Document contains the stamp of Capt. Charles Parsons, assistant quartermaster at St. Louis.

Receipt for military stores of Captain J. Lewis, to be delivered by the steamboat *Rocket* to Capt. B.F. Reno, Youngs Point, Louisiana, February 21, 1863.

Permit of the United States Custom House, Memphis, Tennessee, to John Wesley, master of the steamer *Upper Ferry*, en route from Memphis to St. Louis, April 5, 1863. Includes signed oath of Wesley. Document contains the stamp of Capt. Charles Parsons, assistant quartermaster at St. Louis.

Receipt of payment of steamboat *New Sam Gaty* to Sweney & Schneider, for pipes, wire, and forge, May 2, 1863.

Bill of lading for food shipped by R.D. McGee & Co., Memphis, on board the steamboat *White Cloud* to Com. G.W. Graham, Vicksburg, July 11, 1863. Document contains the stamp of Capt. Charles Parsons, assistant quartermaster at St. Louis.

Receipt for food of Capt. C. Parsons, St. Louis, to be delivered by the steamboat *White Cloud* and Barge to Capt. R.E. Davies, Vicksburg, July 30, 1863. **(OVERSIZE)**

Receipt for military stores of Capt. Charles Parsons, St. Louis, to be delivered on the steamboat *Die Vernon* to Rev. Lewis Hamilton, 2nd Colorado Cavalry, Kansas City, Missouri, November 25, 1863.

Box 1, Folder 9

- 1845 Mar 27 Contemporary copy of *An Act for Improvement of the Harbor of St. Louis*. (4 pages) (1 item)
- 1845 May 4 Receipt for wharfage of the steamboat *White Cloud*. (1 item)
- 1846-1857 Two ledgers recording transactions of James K. Boyles, Pittsburgh, on Ohio and Mississippi Rivers. (2 items) (accession number 75-0046)
- 1846-1860 Typescript list of number of steamboat arrivals, departures, and tonnage, by year, at port of St. Louis. (2 pages)
- 1846 July 7-28 "Journal of Trip of steamer *Clermont* from St. Louis to the mouth of the Yellowstone River on the Missouri," presumed to have been written by Daniel G. Taylor. (4 pages) (gift of Daniel G. Taylor's son, Hon. D.G. Taylor, January 1921)

Box 1, Folder 10

1847-1849

Letter signed J.I. Dales, Louisville, to J.T. Hogg, Brownsville, Pennsylvania, January 26, 1847, with instructions regarding alterations in a steamboat being built by Prinkle. Also includes five receipts for goods furnished for the steamboat *Alton*. (gift of Biederman Furniture Company, January 13, 1938) (6 items)

Box 1, Folder 11

1847 Jan 10

Menu from the steamboat *Missouri*. **(OVERSIZE)**

1847 Jan 16

Letter signed Rice & Headington, Cincinnati, Ohio, to William Dovenor, St. Louis, regarding debts created by the steamboat *Admiral* and requesting information about the boat's ownership. (purchased from Kelly's Antique Shops, St. Louis, April 1, 1951) (1 item)

1848-1849

Two stock certificates in the St. Louis Floating Dock and Insurance Company issued to Kenneth Mackenzie, with engraving of floating dock on the certificates. Dated November 2, 1948, and August 30, 1849, and signed Joseph Charless and Charles Mullikin, respectively, and witnessed by William G. Pettus. (2 items)

1848-1849

Letter signed Orton L. Stoddard, Steels Bayou, Yazoo River, Mississippi, to Oralenna Stoddard, Waitsfield, Vermont, describing adventures since leaving Lowell for Boston, New Orleans, and Vicksburg, where he hired out a raft. Includes typescript copy. (2 items) (purchased from Symmachus Trading Co., Boston, Massachusetts, August 1942)

1848-1851

Receipt book of steamboat *Columbian* for wood and coal purchased on several voyages between Pittsburgh and the following cities: Cincinnati, Nashville, St. Louis, Louisville, and Wabash. Also includes a passenger list for a trip from Pittsburgh to Cincinnati and a list of officers of the steamboat *Potomac*. The receipt book was later used as a scrapbook, and newspaper clippings have been affixed over many of the pages. The book was kept by John Reno of Rochester, Pennsylvania. (132 pages) (1 item) (accession number 60-0029) **(shelved with bound volumes)**

- 1848 Feb-Mar Typescript copy of article titled “Henry Miller Shreve: Political Portraits With Pen and Pencil” (28 pages) by Honorable Samuel Treat, published in *The Democratic Review*, February-March 1848. Includes note by Treat, an engraved portrait of Shreve, and a newspaper article dated circa 1851 titled “Navigation on the Mississippi Forty Years Ago.” (4 items)
- 1848 May 30 Letter signed Elijah Dunbar, Memphis, Tennessee, to his sister, Chloe Dunbar, Canton, Massachusetts, giving an eyewitness account of the burning of the steamboat *Clarksville*, about 600 miles above New Orleans. (1 item)
- 1848 June 16, 27 Two letters signed Jas. S. Watson, Boonville, to G.W. Garriott, St. Charles, Missouri, regarding the sale of wheat. (2 items) (accession number 57-0146)
- 1849 Jan 31 Typescript copy of letter by Thaddeus C. Gray, St. Louis, to Samuel Gordon, Montebello, Illinois, describing experiences as part of the crew on the river boat *Martha*. (1 item) (purchased from Pearl Avis Gordon Vestal, Hamilton, Illinois, May 15, 1953)
- 1849 Apr 25 Letter signed John D. Wilson, New Orleans, to J.G. Weld, St. Louis, discussing business and grocery prices. (1 item) (accession number 57-0146)
- 185- Blank bill of lading form of Stock and Pfeiffer, wholesale grocers and commission merchants, St. Louis. (1 item)
- 185- Bill of lading, *William H. Russell*, Parkville, Missouri. (1 item)
- circa 1850 Broadside advertisement for the passenger steamer *Leander*, departing twice a week for Hannibal, Quincy, Warsaw, and Keokuk. (1 item) **(transferred to Broadside Collection)**
- circa 1850s-1870s Lithograph of Le Gouteux, Havre, titled “Plan of the Saloons and Cabins of the steamer *Arago*.” (1 item) **(OVERSIZE)**
- 1851 Apr 30-1852 Aug 16 Passage book of the steamboat *Patrick Henry* for 18 trips between New Orleans and St. Louis. Entries include passenger’s name, city of embarkation, city of destination, amount for ticket, amount paid, and occasional additional remarks. (35 pages) (1 item) **(shelved with bound volumes)**

- 1852 Circular letter of a committee appointed by the “Rapids Convention” held in St. Louis to “collect statistical and reliable information in regard to the Commerce, Navigation, &c., of the Mississippi River, above St. Louis, and the country depending thereon.” Committee members are A.B. Chambers, Wm. M. Morrison, Wm. L. Ewing, N. Ranney, M. Kennett, and Wm. G. LeDuc.
- 1852 Feb 22 Letter signed Dave [Johnson], St. Louis, to his brother, Dan W. Johnson. (1 item) (accession number 75-0053)
- 1853 Jan 20 Typescript copy of *St. Louis Republic* newspaper article describing destructive fire on the St. Louis riverfront, three steamboats burned—*Brunette*, *New Lucy*, and *New England*. (1 item)
- 1853 Nov 23-1855 Dec Record book of wages paid to the crew of the steamboat *Glendale*, operating between Cincinnati and New Orleans. Entries include crew man’s name, occupation, term of service, number of days, monthly pay rate, total wages, amount paid, and signature. (88 pages) (1 item) **(shelved with bound volumes)**
- [1854] Printed card showing the schedule of the St. Louis & LaSalle regular passenger packet *Messenger No. 2*. Verso contains chart of distances from St. Louis to Ottawa, Illinois.
- Box 1, Folder 12**
- 1854 Nov 2 Deed of sale of land of Charles Wood in Lakeland, Suffolk County, New York, to Frederick Sebastian of St. Louis, recorded in the Suffolk County clerk’s office January 9, 1855. (1 item) (accession number 61-0042) **(transferred to Wood, Charles, deed, December 2004)**
- circa 1855 Typescript copy of account of a trip on the steamboat *Clara* from St. Louis to Weston, and on the steamboat *Emigrant* from Weston to St. Joseph, and then overland to Plattsmouth, Nebraska. (4 pages) (1 item) (accession number 74-0057)
- 1855 Two photostat copies of fragmentary manuscript notes titled “Chapter 1” (2 pages), which discuss the history of Indian tribes and the Yellowstone River. (possibly written by Edwin T. Denig, formerly at Fort Union, Upper Missouri, about 1855-56)

- circa 1855-1864 “New Illustrated River Guide,” published by Conrad Witter’s Book, Paper & Stationery Store, St. Louis, Missouri. Contains charts of distances of towns from St. Louis on the Missouri, Ohio, Mississippi, and Illinois Rivers. Also includes engraved images of the St. Louis riverfront and other scenes, and a map showing river and rail routes in the northeast quadrant of the country. Map engraved by George A. Bauer; published by John T. Fiala. (1 item)
- circa 1856 Ticket for the Missouri River steamboat *John Warner*.
- 1857-1866 Letter signed M.L. Virden, Galena, Illinois, to brother, April 4, 1857, recounts his steamboat experiences on numerous ships, including *Midas*, *Avondale*, *Altamont*, and *Northern Belle*; letter signed M.L. Virden, Canton, Mississippi, to his sister, June 24, 1866, discusses his family, health, and fondness for his Delaware friends; and Ruth Ferris’s undated typescript notes regarding first letter’s contents. (3 items) (accession number 62-0005)
- 1857 Feb 15 Dinner bill of fare on board St. Louis–New Orleans passenger packet *Wm M. Morrison*, John N. Bofinger, commander. Verso includes letter signed Dolly, New Orleans, to her husband, dated February 23. **(OVERSIZE)**
- 1857 Mar 4 Application of Blount & Shanks to the St. Joseph Insurance Company for the steamboat *Star of the West* from St. Louis to St. Joseph. (1 item) (accession number 62-0042)
- 1857 Apr Bill of lading, steamboat *Falls City*, St. Louis.
- 1857 Apr 2 Application of R.L. McDonald to the St. Joseph Insurance Company for the steamboat *John Warner* from St. Louis to St. Joseph. (1 item) (accession number 62-0042)
- 1857 Apr 13 Typescript copy of extracts (11 pages) from the journal of Dr. Hiram Mills while traveling on the steamboat *St. Clair* to Cincinnati in 1853, which includes accounts of gambling on the boat. Later note of Dr. Mills is dated April 13, 1857. Also includes copy of the journal that was published in the *Bulletin of the Missouri Historical Society* (Volume XIII, No. 4, Part I; July 1957). (2 items)
- 1857 Apr 18 Bill of lading, steamer *Spread Eagle*, St. Louis. (1 item) (accession number 77-0004)

- 1857 Apr 24 Receipt of payment of T.C. Pollock to the St. Louis, Memphis & New Orleans Packet for shipment of provisions on the steamer *Aleck Scott*, dated Natchez, April 1857. (gift of Captain Charles M. Berkley, November 1931)
- 1857 Apr 25 Printed request for insurance on the steamer *Minnehaha* from St. Louis to Brownsville for McAllister & Dozier in the St. Joseph Insurance Company, signed Scarrit & Mason, Nebraska City Office.
- 1857 May 4 Bill of lading, steamer *Omaha*, for hides, bales of hemp, and packages of merchandise. (1 item) (accession number 77-0004)
- 1857 June 16 Bill of lading, steamer *Meteor*, St. Louis, for one box of merchandise. (1 item) (accession number 77-0004)
- 1857 June 23 Bill of lading, steamer *Kate Howard*, St. Louis, for hemp, hides, and skins. (1 item) (accession number 77-0004)
- 1857 Nov 1 *Steamboat Wages Calculator*, published by Maxwell & Co., Louisville, Kentucky. (1 item)
- Box 1, Folder 13**
- 1858 Sept Receipt of payment of T.C. Pollock to the Regular St. Louis and New Orleans Packet for shipment of freight on the steamer *R.J. Lackland*, dated Natchez. (gift of Captain Charles M. Berkley, November 1931)
- 1859 Apr 9 Facsimile reproduction of steamboat pilot's certificate for Samuel Clemens on the Mississippi River between St. Louis and New Orleans. (Original is in the Mariner's Museum, Newport News, Virginia.) (1 item)
- 1859 May 2 Receipt of payment of Mr. Shurtleff to the Regular Saturday Evening Packet for shipment of soda and acid on the steamer *Natchez*, dated Natchez. (gift of Captain Charles M. Berkley, November 1931)
- circa 1860-1863 Printed advertisement for the steamboat *Alhambra*, departing from St. Louis to Fort Benton. Includes engraving of the steamboat. (accession number 61-0033)
- 1860s Ticket for the steamboat *Emilie La Barge*, bound for St. Louis.
- 1862 Mar 6 Copy of enrollment certificate of the steamboat *Aleck Scott*, Port of St. Louis. (1 item)

- 1862 Mar 6 Copy of license for the steamboat *Aleck Scott*, Port of St. Louis, to be employed in the coasting trade for one year. (1 item)
- 1862 Oct 14-1863 Nov 18 Minutes of the Western Boatmen Benevolent Association, St. Louis. Note on minutes reads, "Referee's Exhibit 'F,' Nathl. Myers, referee, June 8, 1875." (26 pages) (1 item)
- 1863 Feb Portage book of the steamer *Henry von Phul*. (1 item) **(OVERSIZE)**
- 1863 May 2-June 19 Account of the steamboat *New Sam Gaty* with Stone & Howe, St. Louis, May 2, 1863. Order from Quartermaster's Department, St. Louis, to Stone & Howe to prepare crank of *Sam Gaty*, June 15, 1863. Account for repair work by Stone & Howe on *New Sam Gaty*, June 19, 1863. (3 items)
- 1863 Aug 3 Copy of Tariff No. 1, *Rates of Government Transportation* from St. Louis to various points, for officers, men, horses, cattle, mules, wagons, freight, and hay. (1 item)
- 1863 Aug 3 Copy of Tariff No. 2, *Rates of Government Transportation*, with 10% deducted from Tariff No. 1. Rates for transport from St. Louis to various points, for officers, men, horses, cattle, mules, wagons, freight, and hay. (1 item)
- circa 1863 Aug 6 Copy of a report written shortly after the burning of the steamboat *Ruth* near Cairo, Illinois, on August 6, 1863, in which millions of dollars of government currency destined for the sub-treasury at St. Louis were lost (4 pages). Note on report reads, "Copied for dear Edith by her Auntie Brinton in her 83rd year." Also includes letter signed James W. Foster, director of the Maryland Historical Society, to Charles van Ravenswaay, director of the Missouri Historical Society, October 22, 1957, enclosing fragments of currency. (4 items) (accession number 57-0127)
- Box 1, Folder 14**
1864 Photocopy of Government Rates of Transportation from St. Louis to Memphis and points in between, for officers, men, horses, cattle, mules, wagons, freight, and hay. (1 item)

- 1864-1867 Three pilot's license certificates of renewal for Benjamin F. Thornburg, on the Mississippi River from St. Louis to New Orleans, January 11, 1864; on the Mississippi River from St. Louis to New Orleans, September 12, 1866; and on the Mississippi and Missouri Rivers, between St. Joseph and St. Louis, April 25, 1867. (3 items) (accession number 69-0051)
- circa 1864-1868 Ticket for deck passage on the steamer *St. Patrick* from Cairo to Louisville.
- circa 1864-1870 Ticket for the steamboat *Hibernia*, regular Illinois River passenger packet, Alex. M. Grant, master. Verso shows distances from La Salle to St. Louis on the back. (1 item)
- 1864-1894 Photocopy of Special Order No. 19, Headquarters First Military District, Enrolled Missouri Militia, authorizing John J. Witzig to issue certificates of exemption from military duty to steamboat officers, St. Louis, May 10, 1864. (accession number 65-0026)
- Photocopy of United States Supervising Inspector certificate to Joseph Thomas, employed as an assistant engineer on the steamer *Kate Kinney*, July 23, 1864. (accession number 65-0026)
- United States Inspectors certificate of license issued to Lee Anshutz, to act as master on the western and southern rivers, and pilot on the Ohio River between Pittsburgh and Louisville, January 13, 1892. (accession number 65-0026)
- United States Inspectors certificate of license issued to William J. Moore, master on the western and southern rivers, and pilot on the Ohio River between Pittsburgh and Cincinnati, October 26, 1894. (accession number 65-0026)
- Blank United States Inspectors certificate to pilots. (accession number 65-0026)
- Blank United States Inspectors license to special engineers. (accession number 65-0026)
- Box 1, Folder 15**
1864 Mar 1 Deed of lease between Wiggins Ferry Company, Illinois, and Frederick Sebastian for a piece of land at the northern end of Bloody Island to be used as a boat yard. (1 item) (accession number 61-0042)

- 1864 Mar 1 Debarkation license, Vicksburg, Mississippi, to ship cotton on the steamboat *Metropolitan* to New Orleans. (1 item)
- 1864 Mar 21 Issue of *The Red River Rover*, printed onboard the steamboat *Des Moines*, describing battles around Alexandria. **(transferred to Civil War Collection, December 1999)** (accession number 59-0033)
- 1864 Nov 1 Bill of lading, steamboat *M[ary] E. Forsyth*, Sunnyside, Arkansas.
- 1864 Dec 22 Statement of barge *Ocean Spray* for repair by firm of F. Sebastian, ship carpenter and caulker. (1 item) (accession number 61-0042)
- circa 1865 Card of the Merchants' and People's Line, St. Louis & New Orleans Packet, advertising the passenger steamer *M.S. Mepham*. Printed on the back are distances on the Mississippi River from New Orleans to St. Louis. (1 item)
- 1865 Diary of R.M. Frazier describing trip on steamer *Deer Lodge*, up the Missouri River to Ft. Union, Yankton, and other port cities and return to St. Louis. (66 pages) (accession number 59-0017)
- circa 1865-1868 Card of the St. Louis, Ste. Genevieve, and Chester Tri-weekly Packet advertising sailing of the steamboat *Gold Finch*. Printed on the back are distances on the Mississippi River from St. Louis to points on the way to Liberty, Illinois. (1 item)
- 1865 Apr 23 [*Missouri Republican*] newspaper clipping regarding the steamboat *City of Alton* surpassing the time record of the steamboat *Mollie Able* from Memphis to Cairo. (1 item)
- Box 1, Folder 16**
1865 July 17-Aug 28 Log Book, Transportation Office, Little Rock, Arkansas. Numerous entries mention the steamboat *Annie Jacobs*. Book was later used as a scrapbook with newspaper clippings, many including household tips and poetry, pasted over and obscuring the original notes. (1 item)
- Box 2, Folder 1**
circa 1866-1869 Printed manifests for the *Fannie Scott* and *Peter Balen*, listing consignees and numbers of bales. Includes sketches of the boats. (3 items)

- circa 1866-1873 Two business cards for Fred Sebastian, superintendent, Union Sectional Dock Co., and proprietor, Fred Sebastian, Union Docks, St. Louis, Missouri. (2 items)
- 1866 Mar 23 Pilot's certificate of John T. Duff, Osage River. **(transferred to Alphabetical Files—Duff, John T., June 1999)** (accession number 71-0010)
- 1866 Mar 24 Dinner bill of fare of the steamboat *Ruth*, New Orleans to St. Louis. (1 item) (gift of William Glasgow Bruce Carson, April 1949)
- 1866 Mar 28 Card of M.S. Mepham & Bro., St. Louis, advertising sailing of the steamboat *Iron City*, leaving St. Louis for Idaho and the gold mines. Printed on the back are distances on the Missouri River from St. Louis to points on the way to Fort Benton. (1 item)
- 1866 May 20 Tickets for a grand excursion to Sulphur Springs on the steamboat *M.S. Mepham* in aid of the Southern Relief Fund for the benefit of the destitute women and children of the South. (22 items)
- 1866 Sept 19 Two petitions recommending John T. Duff for command of boat in Mississippi River survey. **(transferred to Alphabetical Files—Duff, John T., June 1999)** (accession number 71-0010)
- circa 1867-1870 Business card for Mississippi Valley Transportation Co. and St. Louis & New Orleans Freight Line, listing officers. (1 item)
- 1867 Mar 6-Oct 3 Receipts and related business papers pertaining to commodities shipped on the steamboat *Evening Star*. (7 items) (gift of Dr. E.B. Trail, compiler of Missouri River steamboat history, Berger, Missouri, January 1950)
- 1867 Apr 18-Aug 5 Log book of the steamboat *Lilly* kept by Engineer Eben B. Hill on a trip on the Missouri River from St. Louis to Fort Benton and back to St. Louis. Also includes two letters, dated December 5, 1917, and October 18, 1918, regarding the donation of the log book. (41 pages)
- circa 1868 Reminiscences of Joseph Barclay, an old riverboat man who came to St. Louis on a keel boat from Pittsburgh in 1818. Describes his services on the steamboat *Mandan* in the early 1820s and a keel boat or barge named *Antelope* built in St. Louis in 1824 or 1825. (3 pages) (1 item)

- 1868 July 6 Freight bill of Alton & St. Louis Packet Company. (1 item)
- 1868 July 17 Typescript copy of letter signed "A Man on Board" and printed in the *Missouri Democrat*, describing "A Memorable Trip. The First Steamer at the Great Falls of the Missouri River." (2 pages) (1 item) (courtesy of Charles A. Murray, Kirkwood, Missouri, April 13, 1954)
- 1868 Dec 9 Ticket for the steamboat *Phil. Sheridan*. (1 item)
- [1869] Journal of William Hall Delano titled "Tramp in the Northwest" (23 pages), describing his Mississippi River trip on the steamboats *Phil Sheridan*, *Addie Johnson*, and *Key City* from St. Louis to St. Paul, Minnesota. Journal includes accounts of races with the steamboats *Andy Johnson* and *Jennie Baldwin* and descriptions of numerous towns and cities along the route. Also includes typescript letter signed Clara Brown, Rolla, Missouri, to Charles Van Ravenswaay, director of the Missouri Historical Society, November 21, 1959, which includes a biographical sketch of William Hall Delano. (2 items) (accession number 59-0121)
- Box 2, Folder 2**
- [1869] Mar 25-Apr 1 Seven cards of M.S. Mephram & Bro., St. Louis, advertising sailings of the steamboats *Fannie Scott* and *Peter Balen*, leaving St. Louis for Fort Benton and the gold mines. Printed on the back are distances on the Missouri River from St. Louis to points on the way to Fort Benton. (7 items)
- 1869 Sept 6 & 30 Two receipts of Halliday & Co., Columbus, Kentucky, for coal and cotton shipped on the steamboat *St. Louis* and on the Iron Mountain Railroad. (2 items) (accession number 62-0074)
- 1869 Dec 21 Letter signed Felix Coste, Custom House, Port of St. Louis, to Thomas Allen, president of the St. Louis & Iron Mountain Railroad Company, regarding the need to surrender the current license and take out a new one for the steamboat *St. Louis*. (1 item) (accession number 62-0074)

- circa 1870 Circular advertisements for steamboats including the Naples Packet steamboat *Belle of Pike*; the St. Louis and Tennessee River Packet steamboat *David Watts*; the St. Louis and Keokuk Packet Company steamboats *Andy Johnson*, *Lucy Bertram*, *Bayard*, *Rob Roy*, and *J.H. Johnson*; the St. Louis & Peoria Packet Company steamboats *Schuyler*, *City of Pekin*, and *Illinois*; the Miami Packet Company steamboats *Post Boy*, *W.B. Dance*, *W.J. Lewis*, and *Clara*; the Northwestern Union Packet Company; and the Memphis & Arkansas River Packet Company. (4 items) (accession number 77-0004)
- circa 1870 Business card of James O. Alter, steam syphon and fire pump manufactory, St. Louis.
- circa 1870 Printed card of the St. Louis, Davenport, Dubuque and St. Paul, Northern Packet Line Company, steamer *Muscatine*. Verso contains chart of distances from St. Louis to St. Paul.
- 1870-1873 St. Louis and New Orleans Packet Company pass issued to Hudson E. Bridge, 1870; Keokuk Packet Company pass issued to H.E. Bridge, 1870; ticket from St. Charles Hotel for free bus and baggage to and from boats and cars, August 1872; and excursion ticket for the steamer *Spread Eagle* to Hannibal and return, June 11, 1873. (4 items)
- 1870-1886 Letters signed O.S.W. [Captain Oliver S. Watt], to his wife and daughter, 1870 to 1872 (several dated Alton). Also includes letter signed Ella Reyland, Meredosia, Illinois, to Mr. and Mrs. Watt, September 21, 1886, offering condolences on the loss of Emma. (7 items) (accession number 79-0004)
- [1870] July 4 Announcement of the arrival of the steamboat *Lee* at St. Louis at the end of the famous race from New Orleans with the steamboat *Natchez*. (1 item) (gift of Dudley A. Bragdon, St. Louis, June 2, 1952)
- 1871-1885 Two freight bills of the steamboat *Cherokee* dated June 3, 1871, and July 10, 1872; stationery for the steamboat *Belle of La Crosse*, St. Louis and St. Paul Packet, 1872; excursion ticket for the steamboat *Helena*, August 1, 1885. (4 items) (gift of Mr. and Mrs. Edmond L. Rost, St. Louis, December 1954)
- 1872 Partial list of the steamboats in E.W. Tallmon's collection. Also includes a list of rafters that passed through draw since 1872 at Davenport, Iowa, and Rock Island, Illinois. (5 pages) (2 items)

- 1872-1874 Saloon passenger lists for White Star Line steamboat *Celtic* and *Oceanic* listing Todd and Keemle families from St. Louis. Also includes *Celtic's* plan of rooms, wine card and bill of fare, and list of officers. (4 items)
- 1872 June 13 Receipt of Union Docks to the steamboat *Park Painter* for materials and labor. (1 item) (accession number 61-0042)
- [1876-1877] Circular advertisement for "Dancing and Roller Skating on the Steamer *Grand Republic*" including engraving of people skating on the boat. (2 items)
- Box 2, Folder 3**
1876-1877 Printed monthly supplementary tariffs of the Memphis and St. Louis Packet Company, dated St. Louis, Cairo, and Vicksburg (19 pages); and printed chart of rates from St. Louis on the St. Louis, Iron Mountain & Southern Railway (verso contains Green Line classification of freight). (Latter item filed **OVERSIZE**.) (These items were removed from Volume 5 of the St. Louis Vicksburg and Anchor Line Record Books.)
- Box 2, Folder 4**
1878 Quarantine notices and city ordinances restricting landings of steamboats or other water craft at or near Providence, Cape Girardeau, Arkansas City and New Madrid, Missouri. These notices likely relate to the yellow fever epidemic of that year. Also includes list of landings between Memphis and Vicksburg. (Latter item filed **OVERSIZE, AMD**) (5 items)
- 1878-1949 Letters of Thomas H. Griffith of St. Louis to his niece Mrs. Belle Resor in Cincinnati, which mostly discuss family news. Also contains two biographical sketches and an autobiographical sketch of Griffith. (35 items) (gift of Misses Sallie and Marguerite Resor, Cincinnati) (**transferred to Thomas Hawkes Griffith Papers, November 2004**)
- 1879 Letter signed William F. Davidson, Keokuk Northern Line Packet Co., to George H. Morgan, St. Louis, offering free transportation to the delegates appointed by the Merchants Exchange to attend the River Improvement Convention to be held at Quincy on October 15, 1879. Letterhead includes engraving of the steamboat *Golden Eagle*. (1 item)

- circa 1880s Handwritten and typescript copy of the reminiscences written by Mrs. [Narcissa] Garrett recalling her experiences as a passenger on the steamboat *Buckeye* when it sank after being struck by the steamboat *Desoto* on the Mississippi River above the mouth of the Red River on March 1, 1844. Reminiscences also discuss the rescue efforts following the sinking, and subsequent medical treatment she received for her injured arm. (original, 19 pages; typescript copy, 9 pages) (accession number 95-0086).
- Box 2, Folder 5**
1880-1895
- Ticket for dancing and roller skating on the steamboat *Chas. P. Chouteau*, August [1880].
- Invitation for an excursion ticket given by the employees of the St. Louis Malleable Iron Co. on the steamer *Helena* to Ihorn's Grove, to benefit Joseph Giberson, an injured employee of the company, August 24, 1884. (gift of Andrew Keller, December 4, 1952)
- Three excursion tickets for the steamboat *Grand Republic*, on July 18, 1889.
- Brochure of Diamond Jo Line Steamers, June 1895, includes rates, distances, populations, connections, two Mississippi River maps, and cabin diagrams of the steamers *Pittsburgh*, *Sidney*, *St. Paul*, and *Gem City*. (6 items) (gift of William and Katherine Haren, December 1954).
- 1880 Mar 2 Receipt for shipment received from A. Griesedieck & Co. on the steamboat *Emma C. Elliott*, at Harrisonville, Illinois. (1 item) (accession number 63-0074)
- 1881 Apr 6 Commercial traveler's half fare ticket of Joseph Boyce on the steamers of the New Orleans Anchor Line from St. Louis to New Orleans. (1 item)
- 1881 Nov 30 Letter signed James O'Neal, Office of New Orleans Anchor Line, to Daniel Able, steamer *City of Alton*, giving detailed instructions for conducting business (6 pages). Also includes undated newspaper clipping that provides excerpts of a letter of J.P.O. of Taylor Falls, in relation to early boating on the Minnesota River. (2 items)

- 1882 Bill of sale for one-sixth interest in the steamboat *Key West*, by Fannie Maratta, Columbus, Ohio, to Mrs. Ella Todd, East St. Louis, Illinois, July 19, 1882 (**OVERSIZE**); notarized transfer of the power of attorney from John Todd and wife, Margaret E. Todd, of Wellsville, Ohio, to Josephus Todd of East St. Louis, Illinois, with regard to the steamboat *Key West*, August 8, 1882; and typescript letter signed Josephus S. Todd, St. Louis, to the Missouri Historical Society regarding the donation of the aforementioned items. (3 items) (gift of Josephus M. Todd, St. Louis, January 1949)
- 1882 July 17 Bill of lading, steamboat *Hope*, Hermann and Missouri River Packet, from Bridgeport, Missouri, to John Wahl & Co., St. Louis. (1 item)
- 1882 Dec 23 Letter signed Brazee & Ralston, Memphis, to the master or owner of the transfer steamer *St. Louis* regarding attached order requiring two licensed engineers to be on watch when underway. Also includes copy of the order (dated December 8, 1882) mentioned in the letter. (2 items) (accession number 62-0074)
- circa 1885-1919 Typescript article titled “Early Steam-boating on the Mississippi, Captain George Barnard, A Brief Sketch of His Life” (12 pages), written by Clayton Keith. (**transferred to George Barnard Collection**)
- 1885 Apr 23 Bill of lading, steamboat *Charles C. Carroll*, St. Louis. (1 item) (accession number 77-0004)
- 1885 May-Sept Freight bills of W.P. Howard & Co., to steamboats *C.C. Carroll* [*Charles C. Carroll*] and *Dacotah*, the latter of which includes an engraving of the *Dacotah*. Also includes notice to receive freight to W.P. Howard & Co. from steamboat *Sidney*. (4 items) (accession number 62-0042)
- 1886 Mar 26 Bill of lading, steamer *Chas. C. Carroll*, St. Louis. (1 item) (accession number 77-0004)
- 1886 Apr 21 Bill of lading, steamer *Calhoun*, St. Louis. (1 item) (accession number 77-0004)
- 1886 June 10 Bill of lading, steamer *General Meade*, St. Louis. (1 item) (accession number 77-0004)
- 1886 Aug Bill of lading, steamer *Wyoming*, St. Louis. (1 item) (accession number 77-0004)

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- 1887 July 2 Invitation from the Ladies of the Trinity Church to Walter B. Douglas, dated June 25, for a moonlight steamboat excursion on the *Charles P. Chouteau* on July 2. (1 item) (accession number 65-0026)
- 1887 July 18 Bill of lading, steamer *Dacotah*, St. Louis. (1 item) (accession number 77-0004)
- 1887 Aug 24 Bill of lading of the Benton Transportation Company for the steamer *Judith*, St. Louis. (1 item) (accession number 77-0004)
- 1888 Sept 8 Notice to receive freight, steamer *City of Baton Rouge*, St. Louis. (1 item) (accession number 77-0004)
- 1889 Aug 27 Bill of lading for wheat shipped by F. Heberle, on board the steamboat *Fawn*, to M. Jordan, Hermann, Mo. (1 item)
- [1890] Advertisement for "The Great River Route" on the Diamond Jo Line Steamers and the St. Louis, St. Paul and Minneapolis Packet Co., with information about rates and routes. (1 item)
- 1890 July 27 Typescript copy of affidavit of Geo. E. Townsend, which recounts his involvement in the organization of the 1st United States Marine Corps at St. Louis in 1861, the disbandment of the unit by General Halleck, and his subsequent service as a pilot on several government transports. (2 pages) (gift of Townsend's daughter, Mrs. H.S. Bolles, St. Louis, Missouri)
- 1890 July 28 Bill of lading, steamer *Benton*, St. Louis. (1 item) (accession number 77-0004)
- 1890 Aug 7 Bill of lading, steamer *Cherokee*, St. Louis. (1 item) (accession number 77-0004)
- 1890 Aug 25 Bill of lading, steamer *Idlewild*, St. Louis. (1 item) (accession number 77-0004)
- 1890 Aug 28 Bill of lading, steamer *Spread Eagle*, St. Louis. (1 item) (accession number 77-0004)
- 1891 June 9 Ticket for the second grand complimentary excursion given by May Queen Circle on the steamer *Oliver Beirne*, St. Louis. (2 copies) (accession number 65-0026)

- 1891 Oct 2 Bill of lading, steamer *D.H. Pike*, St. Louis. (1 item) (accession number 77-0004)
- 1892 Ticket for the excursion steamer *Grand Republic*, St. Louis. (1 item) (accession number 2003.161)
- 1892 Aug 1 Ticket for a “grand complimentary evening excursion given by The Nationals on the elegant new excursion steamer *Paul Tulane*.” (1 item)
- 1893 July 26 Receipt, steamboat *Bald Eagle*, St. Louis, Missouri. (1 item)
- [1894 Apr] Booklet for the St. Louis & New Orleans Anchor Line, which includes a list of landings between St. Louis and New Orleans and an engraving of the steamboat *City of St. Louis* on the back cover. (21 pages) (gift of Perry Post Taylor, October 1931)
- 1895 July 5 Ticket for a “grand complimentary evening excursion given by St. Louis Paper Rulers’ Union No. 32, on the elegant first-class side-wheel excursion steamer *City of Vicksburg*.” (1 item)
- 1895 July 22 Booklet for the St. Louis & New Orleans Anchor Line, which includes a list of landings between St. Louis and New Orleans and an engraving of the steamboat *City of St. Louis* on the back cover. Booklet is stamped “Steamer *City of Cairo*, July 22, 1895.” (21 pages) (1 item) (gift of H.L. Rozier)
- 1896 July 22 Photocopy of *Omaha Weekly Bee* clipping titled “Under the River’s Sands, Work of Hunting Treasure Well Under Way,” regarding steamboats *Cora* and *Bertrand*. (2 pages)
- 1897 July 31 Bill of lading, steamer *Bob Dudley*, Nashville. (1 item) (accession number 62-0006)
- 1897 Aug 21 Invitation to the third annual complimentary excursion of the Bank Clerks’ Association of Missouri to Montesano on the steamer *City of Providence*, St. Louis. (1 item)
- 1898-1900 Typescript copy of manuscript of Captain Sobieski (“Beck”) Jolly. **(transferred to Alphabetical Files—Jolly, Sobieski, 6-21-2000)** (accession number 65-0074)

- circa 1898-1902 Two information booklets for the Diamond Jo Line Steamers, between St. Louis and St. Paul. Booklets include maps, ticket rates, landings, distances, elevations, population, connections, etc. (2 items)
- 1899 Oct 18 Publicity material stating the goals of the upcoming convention on the improvement of Western waterways, November 14-15, 1899, Memphis, Tennessee. (4 pages) (1 item)
- 1901 Nov 26 Letter signed John B. Arntzen, World's Fair Marine Engineers' Beneficial Association, St. Louis, Missouri, to Bud informing him that he has been accepted and now must send his initiation fee. (1 item) (accession number 66-0046)
- circa 1903-1905 Complimentary round trip ticket on the *Corwin H. Spencer* and return on the *City of Providence*. (1 item)
- Box 2, Folder 7**
circa 1903-1910 Pamphlet titled "A 750 Mile Panorama, The Wonderful Scenic Beauties of the Upper Mississippi between St. Louis and St. Paul from the Steamers of the Diamond Jo Line." (20 pages) (gift of Walter B. Johnson)
- 1903 Jan 13-14 Typescript and negative photostat copies of reminiscences of several Missouri River men gathered for the 25th annual meeting of the Nebraska State Historical Society, January 13-14, 1903. Includes "Memorys of Steam Boat Days" by William J. Kennedy (10 pages); "Memorandum of R.R. Massie" (5 pages); reminiscences of A. Overton (2 pages); "Personal Recollections of Early Days in Decatur, Nebraska" by Capt. S.T. Leaming (5 pages); reminiscences of David L. Keiser (4 pages); interview of Capt. James Kennedy (4 pages); notes about William Massie compiled by Joel F. Overholser (2 pages). Also includes correspondence of Eugene Stephens with the Nebraska State Historical Society, dated 1955, and photostat copy of letter of A.E. Sheldon, Nebraska State Historical Society, to Dr. E.B. Trail, compiler of Missouri River steamboat history, dated August 25, 1939. (accession number 58-0060)
- Box 2, Folder 8**
1904 July 2 Bill of sale of the steamboat *Meeker* by owners Byrd Burton, St. Louis, Missouri, and G.W. Hill, Alton, Illinois, to William Dipple. (1 item) (accession number 58-0036)

- circa 1905 Promotional booklet of the St. Louis and Tennessee River Packet Co. titled "Eight Delightful Days through Six States, Outing on Three Beautiful Rivers." (32 pages) (1 item) (gift of Rebecca M. Sieners, 1958)
- Box 2, Folder 9**
circa 1905-1960s Tickets, advertisements, theatrical programs, and other papers for the *Goldenrod* showboat. Also includes a photocopy of a letter of Isaac P. Lusk, St. Louis Steamboat Managers Association, to B.F. Lester, Ryman Line Steamers, Nashville, Tennessee, October 23, 1905, announcing upcoming annual meeting of the National Board of Steam Navigation; and undated broadside for the *Hollywood* showboat (14 items) (accession number 66-0073)
- Box 2, Folder 10**
1905 Four letters signed Phil E. Chappell, Kansas City, Missouri, to Miss Dalton. Dalton requested a list of Missouri River steamboats and supplied Chappell with two typewritten copies of the manuscript list. (8 pages) (1 item)
- 1905 Aug 7 Bill of lading, steamer *Lora*, St. Louis, Missouri. (accession number 77-0004)
- circa 1905 Dec 29 Typescript copy of obituary titled "Fall Causes Death of Capt. Mason B. Chapman." (1 item)
- 1906-1927 Papers of long-time river man James Kennedy, including his reminiscences about his Civil War service in the Confederate army and several newspaper clippings. (9 items) (gift of Marvin G. Kennedy, Henrietta, Missouri, February 1928) **(transferred to James Kennedy Papers, November 2004)**
- 1906 May 9 Typescript copy of notes taken by Mary Louis Dalton in an interview with Captain Grant Marsh. (3 pages) (1 item)
- 1906 July 5 Letter signed C.J. Atkins, Cando, North Dakota, to Mary Louise Dalton, librarian, Missouri Historical Society, St. Louis, describing his experiences as a steamboat man on the Missouri River in the 1860s. Includes an account of the killing of one of the crew by a mate named Miller on the steamboat *Robert Campbell* on the Missouri River in 1863. Also includes an account of Atkins being shot by Sioux Indians on May 19, 1865, while on board a steamboat near Fort Rice. (11 pages) (1 item)

- [1906] July 14 Newspaper clipping titled "Captain Wesley Connor, Pilot of the *Robert E. Lee*, Tells of Famous New Orleans–St. Louis Race with the *Natchez*." Article datelined New Albany, Indiana.
- 1907 Oct 2 Ticket of Hon. Jno. P. Boyce for the steamer *Mark Twain* to visit the President of the United States. (1 item)
- 1908 Mar 31 *St. Louis Times* newspaper clipping titled "Georgia Claims First Steamboat," concerning William Longstreet and Isaac Briggs, who received a patent from the General Assembly of Georgia in 1788 for "constructing and operating boats propelled by paddles driven by steam engines." (1 item) (gift of Miss Stella Olshausen, St. Louis, October 1954)
- 1908 June 4 Letter signed Thomas L. Rodgers, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, to Mr. Pettus, recalling that in June 1858 the "old river covered the whole country on the Illinois side away back to the bluffs of Illinois, a width of about seven miles." (1 item)
- circa 1909 *The World Mirror* article titled "The Fame of Fulton: The True Story of the Steamboat—Familiar Traditions Upset by Sifting of Old Records—New and Interesting Facts Brought to Life," by James L. Davis. (5 pages) (gift of Miss Stella Olshausen, St. Louis, October 1954)
- circa 1909 Oct 4 Typescript copy of newspaper obituary of T.K. Voorhees, "cabin boy, gold digger, and river man." (1 page)
- 1909 Oct 26 Photograph of steamboats lined up at Cape Girardeau when President William Howard Taft arrived, with page from the *Cape Girardeau Southeast Missourian*, October 29, 1949. Included in the photo are the steamers *Cape Girardeau* and *Mississippi*. (2 items)
- Box 2, Folder 11**
circa 1910s-1930s Typescript unsigned, undated letter on *Golden Rod* showboat stationery to "dear friend," offering a job; printed invitation to the gala opening of the *Golden Rod* showboat, dated July 12, [no year]; and undated program for a play titled "The Drunkard" to be performed on the *Golden Rod* at St. Louis. (3 items) (accession number 68-0033)
- 1910 Aug 17 *St. Louis Republic* clipping titled "Today in History, Our First Steamboat—August 17." (1 item) (gift of Miss Stella Olshausen, St. Louis, October 1954)

- 1910 Aug 22, 26 Manuscript notes on John Fitch, including biographical timeline of his life and extracts from the *St. Louis Republic* (2 items) (gift of Miss Stella Olshausen, St. Louis, October 1954)
- [1910] Nov 25-26 Printed directions to the armory where the Lakes-to-the-Gulf Waterway Convention is to be held. 1 item
- 1911 May 14 *Leavenworth Times* clipping titled “Military Trip Up Missouri in 1819 in 3 Steamboats,” a recollection by Henry Shindler. (1 item)
- [1912] May 14 Announcement for “Moonlight Excursion” on the steamer *Grey Eagle* for the benefit of Manning Kimmel. (1 item) (accession number 58-0133)
- 1912 June 13 Mimeograph letter signed W.H. Lamont, Davenport, Iowa, to the George Ertel Company, Quincy, Illinois, regarding the company’s claim for \$19.45. (1 item) (accession number 77-0004)
- 1914 Typescript extracts prepared by Martin Shaughnessy, from a pamphlet presented at the Congressional Session of 1914, suggesting a method for deepening the channels of the Missouri and lower Mississippi Rivers, by means of hydraulic dredging. (4 pages)
- 1916 Aug 6 Photocopy of newspaper clipping with cartoon illustrations, from *St. Louis Republic* about Captain William H. Thorwegen, captain of the *Grey Eagle*. (3 pages)
- circa 1917 Promotional brochure of the St. Louis & Tennessee River Packet Co. advertising tourist trips on the new steamer *St. Louis* to Shiloh National Park. Includes photograph of the *St. Louis* (4 pages).
- 1917-1920 Marine Ways Carondelet, monthly reports of “Philip A. Rhoan, lessee, to the St. Louis, Iron Mountain and Southern Railway Company, lessor” for steamboat repairs (36 items) (accession number 58-0076) (**OVERSIZE**).
- Box 2, Folder 12**
1919-1936 Correspondence of Missouri Historical Society staff with numerous individuals and institutions regarding reference questions on various steamboat-related topics. (approximately 80 items)
- Box 2, Folder 13**
1919 Mar Typescript list of pictures of steamboats in the files of the Missouri Historical Society; manuscript list of E. Boehl’s steamboat pictures; and receipt of E. Boehl to the Missouri Historical Society. (3 items)

- 1919 July 22 *St. Louis Globe-Democrat* clipping titled “First Barge Ready for St. Louis.” (1 item)
- circa 1920s-1930s Promotional brochure of the Streckfus Steamboat Line (St. Louis) titled “All Aboard for a Night of Pleasure,” advertising excursions on the *St. Paul*.
- circa 1920s-1930s Streckfus Steamers advertisement card titled “Springtime and the Boats—Both Are Welcome,” promoting excursions of the steamers *St. Paul* and *J.S.* at St. Louis. (1 item)
- 1920 Feb 7 *Waterways Journal* clipping titled “Records of Old Time Steamboats” (4 pages). Also includes letter from compiler of records, Sam Smith, to Mrs. Beauregard, Missouri Historical Society, providing dates of other issues containing records. (2 items)
- 1921 Jan 20 Typescript copy of statement made by Philip W. Coyle, traffic commissioner of the St. Louis Chamber of Commerce, before the Rivers and Harbors Committee of Congress in support of the Newton Bill. (3 pages)
- 1921 Dec 28 Letter signed Mrs. Addie Carver McConnell, St. Louis, to Miss Nettie Beauregard, [Missouri Historical Society], discusses the life of her father, John Leroy Carver, and other ancestors. Also includes a photograph of John Leroy Carver and an undated *St. Louis Globe-Democrat* newspaper clipping titled “A Veteran River Man Has Passed,” which contains a biographical sketch of John L. Carver. (3 items)
- [1922?] Reminiscences of Captain A.G. LaBarge, Jennings, Missouri, of a voyage of the steamboat *Emilie* from St. Louis to Fort Benton in 1862. Also includes *St. Louis Globe-Democrat* clipping titled “Steamboat Captain Recalls W.H.H. Pettus. Tells of Trip Up Missouri River to Fort Benton Sixty Years Ago,” February 4, 1922. (gift of R.J. Boylan, *St. Louis Globe-Democrat*, February 1922)
- 1922-1947 Correspondence of Carl W. Veale and Alice Wientge with the Missouri Historical Society, relating to their Piggott family ancestors. Includes Missouri Historical Society family history form filled out by Mrs. Cora Jones Heltzell of St. Louis, which records the descendants of Capt. James Piggott. (10 items) (gift of Mrs. Cora Jones Heltzell, February 1923) **(transferred to Piggott Family Papers)**

- 1922 Sept 15 License to Master of Steam Vessels and Pilot Harry N. Crane. (1 item) (accession number 58-0056)
- 1923 Apr-May Correspondence of Harkness family members with Mrs. N.H. Beauregard of the Missouri Historical Society regarding an Indian riding whip that the family donated to the society, which was owned by James Harkness. Harkness had captured the whip from an Indian chief in the battle of the Tobacco Garden along the Upper Missouri River in 1863.
- after 1924 Printed card with illustration and description of “The Green Tree, Largest Rock Elm on Record” at LeClaire, Iowa, on the Mississippi River. (accession number 65-0026)
- circa 1925 Typescript biographical sketch of Mississippi River steamboat captain George F. Carvell (died 1920). Also includes brief correspondence of Mrs. George F. Carvell and the Missouri Historical Society, dated circa 1927. (5 items)
- 1925 Apr 13 Telegrams (one handwritten and one typescript) to the captain of the Showboat *Goldenrod*, asking for routing information. (2 items)
- 1925 June 26 Tickets for the steamer *J.S.* (4 items)
- 1926 Nov *Valley Trust Magazine* article titled “The Steamboat ‘Days Befo’ de Wah’,” concerning the early days of St. Louis. (3 pages) (1 item)
- circa 1928 Typescript address (author not indicated) describing the goals of the joint committee of the Mississippi Valley Association and the Chamber of Commerce for improvement of the St. Louis riverfront. (6 pages)
- 1928-1947 Tickets and membership cards of Edward Koenig for the Propeller Club (1928, 1936, 1938-1939), the Pilots, Masters, & Mates Association of Inland Rivers (1938), and the St. Louis Outboard Club (1932); band member ticket for the steamer *City of St. Louis* (1933); and admission ticket for all games of the Ozark Amateur Athletic Union District (1947). Also includes blank membership card to the St. Louis Yacht Club (1928). (8 items)

- 1928 June 3 Letter signed S.W. Coleman, St. Louis, Missouri, to director [of the Missouri Historical Society] describes silver locket in the possession of his grandmother Mrs. Mary S. Watt and briefly discusses the careers of her husband, Captain Oliver S. Watt, and her nephew, Frank Hernandez, both of whom were longtime steamboat men. Undated biographical sketch of Captain Oliver S. Watt, written by S.W. Coleman. Undated notes written on the stationery of Mrs. N.H. Beauregard, Missouri Historical Society, regarding a photograph of her mother, Marie Cayou, and a pin and earrings that belonged to her mother. (3 items)
- 1929 Sept 1 Photocopy of editorial from *Louisville [Kentucky] Journal*, describing the collision of the steamboats *United States* and *America* at Hobbs Landing, opposite Florence, Indiana, close to the Kentucky shore, circa 1865. (1 item) (accession number 71-0046)
- 1929 Nov 12 List of boats arriving at port of New Orleans, 1806, compiled by Raymond A. Philibert, U.S. Veterans Bureau, New Orleans. List includes names of captains and employees, period of time each man was engaged, and the sum retained out of his wages for hospital fee. Includes letter signed Raymond A. Philibert, New Orleans, Louisiana, to Miss N. Beauregard, Missouri Historical Society, November 12, 1929. (gift of Raymond A. Philibert) (2 items)
- Box 2, Folder 14**
circa 1930 Incomplete typescript address (author not indicated) regarding steamboats and river history in St. Louis and on the Western rivers in the nineteenth century. (10 pages)
- 1931 Sept 5 *St. Louis Globe-Democrat* clipping titled "Towboat Which Pulls 10,000 Tons Freight in St. Louis on Visit," describes *Herbert Hoover*, the largest diesel powered towboat afloat. (1 item)
- 1931 Nov 20 Typescript copy of address delivered by Paul W. Brown, publisher of *The Executive's Magazine*, before the Missouri Historical Society, November 20, 1931 (5 pages). Also includes letter signed Paul W. Brown to Mrs. Nettie Beauregard, [Missouri Historical Society], December 4, 1931, regarding donation of address. (2 items)
- 1932 Feb 28 *St. Louis Globe-Democrat* clipping titled "A Half Century of Glorious Adventure on the Mississippi," as told by E.C. Van Nott. (1 item)

- 1932 June 22 *St. Louis Globe-Democrat* clipping titled “Hurley Inaugurates River Channel, Sets out for Kansas City.” Secretary of War Hurley defends Hoover and his policies. (1 item)
- 1933 Oct 29 *St. Louis Post-Dispatch Sunday Magazine* clipping (with color images) titled “Mike Fink—Colossus of the Mississippi.” (4 pages) (1 item)
- [1934?] Promotional card of the Eagle Packet Company (St. Louis), advertising excursions of the *Golden Eagle*.
- 1934 Blueline elevations and plans of the Mississippi River steamboat *Robert E. Lee*, drawn by Boucher-Lewis Precision Models, Inc., New York, New York. (2 pages) **(OVERSIZE, AMD)**
- 1934 Prospectus for the steamer *President*, which includes interior and exterior views. (1 item) (accession number 68-0045)
- 1934-1935 *Streckfus Line Magazine*, volume XII, no. 1. **(transferred to library, January 18, 2001)**
- 1934 May Manuscript list of Missouri River steamboats compiled by Ruth Ferris. (5 pages)
- 1938 Typescript letter of the Boston Antique Shop, Boston, Massachusetts, to the Missouri Historical Society, offering to sell the Victory Bowl won by the *Robert E. Lee* in its famous race against the *Natchez*. (1 item)
- 1938 Brochure for moonlight excursions on the steamer *St. Paul* at Pittsburgh. Includes interior and exterior photograph of the *St. Paul*. (accession number 65-0026)
- 194- Stationery for the steamer *Golden Eagle*, Eagle Packet Company, and blank bill for the steamer *Cape Girardeau*, Eagle Packet Company. (2 items) (accession number 62-0064)
- 1940 Printed schedule of excursions on the steamer *Golden Eagle*, Eagle Packet Co., St. Louis. (2 copies) (accession numbers 65-0026 and 73-0031)

Box 3, Folder 1

- 1940 Jan Typescript address titled "Steamboat Tales" by Ruth Ferris, delivered before the Missouri Historical Society, October 1939. (38 pages) (1 item)
- 1940 June 10 Brochure for the excursion steamer *Admiral*, St. Louis. (accession number 65-0026)
- 1941 Printed card of the Steamboat Photo Company, Sewickley, Pennsylvania, announcing their 1942 catalogue of packet photographs. Verso contains printed poem titled "Jumpin' Joe," written by Will S. Hays, the noted song writer and river reporter of Louisville, after he had seen the new packet *Joe Fowler* in 1888. Poem is dedicated to his friend, Capt. Joe Fowler. (1 item) (gift of Dick Lemen, 1941)
- 1941 Streckfus Steamers announcement of "Red Letter Days for Organization Fun and Profit," promoting dance excursions on the *S.S. President*. (1 item)
- 1941 Printed schedule of river cruises on the steamer *Golden Eagle*, Eagle Packet Co., St. Louis. Includes photograph of the *Golden Eagle*. (accession number 65-0026)
- 1942 Advertisement and schedule of sailings from St. Louis of the steamer *Golden Eagle*. (2 items) (gift of Mrs. Frederick A. Jostes, St. Louis, November 15, 1954)
- 1942 Mar 23 License to Chief Engineer of Steam Vessels Thompson G. Martin. (1 item) (accession number 65-0032)
- 1942 Oct 20 *St. Louis Globe-Democrat* clipping titled "Lee and Natchez Race Recalled by River Men."
- 1943 May 28 Reproduction of membership application of Irvin Cobb in the Propeller Club of the United States, Port of Paducah, Kentucky. (1 item)
- 1944 Oct 18 *St. Louis Commerce* (magazine), vol. 18, no. 35. Includes article titled "Shipbuilding in St. Louis." (1 item) **(transferred to library, November 2004)**

- 1946 Printed schedule of river cruises on the steamer *Golden Eagle*, Eagle Packet Co., St. Louis. Includes photograph of the *Golden Eagle*. (accession number 65-0026)
- 1948 Mimeographed copies of two letters and a memorandum of William Thornton, Washington, D.C., 1802-1810, relating to his part in the origin of the invention of the steamboat. Letter dated December 16, 1807, is addressed to Robert Fulton. (Letters were transcribed in 1948 from the William Thornton Papers in the Manuscript Division, Library of Congress.) Also includes *St. Louis Star-Times* article titled "Crazy John Fitch's River Dream," July 7, 1948. (2 items) (gift of Charles Peterson, July 1948)
- 1948 Travel brochure for the steamer *Gordon C. Greene*, providing itineraries, fares, and map of cabin decks for cruises on the Ohio, Mississippi, and Tennessee Rivers. Travel brochure for maiden voyage of the steamer *Delta Queen*, June 30-July 9, providing itineraries and fares. (2 items)
- 1949 Travel brochure for the steamer *Delta Queen*, providing itineraries, fares, and map of cabin decks. (1 item)
- Box 3, Folder 2**
circa 1950s Pencil sketches of various parts of steamboats with captions, drawn by Louis Martin Reitz, Bourbon, Missouri. Includes a sketch of the chimney of the *Natchez*. (7 items) (gift of Louis Martin Reitz, Bourbon, Missouri, 1954)
- Box 3, Folder 3**
circa 1951-1952 Advertisement brochure describing club commission and group discount plans for excursions on the *Admiral*. Includes interior and exterior views of the *Admiral*. (2 items)
- circa 1952 Printed notice of the Bureau of Marine Inspection and Navigation, Department of Commerce: "Station Bills, Drills, and Reports of Masters. Section of Rule V (Great Lakes; Bays, Sounds, and Lakes other than the Great Lakes; and Rivers), Rules and Regulations of the Board of Supervising Inspectors." (2 copies)

- 1952-1953 Three printed Treasury Department notices: "Pilot Rules for Certain Inland Waters of the Atlantic and Pacific Coasts and of the Coast of the Gulf of Mexico," 1952 (**OVERSIZE, AMD**); "Station Bills, Drills, and Reports of Masters," 1953 (**OVERSIZE**); "Persons Allowed in Pilothouse and on Navigation Bridge," 1953. (3 items) (accession number 65-0026)
- 1952 Feb 17 Typescript letter signed Ruth Ferris, Brentwood, Missouri, to Mr. Van Ravenswaay about steamboat lists. (2 pages)
- 1954 Oct 22 Typescript copy of press release titled "Mississippi River Steamboat Mail to be Revived for America Philatelic Congress Session in St. Louis, Missouri." Also includes two *Zephyr* cancellations. (4 items) (gift of William H. Semsrott, St. Louis, October 23, 1954.)
- 1956 May 25 Program for "Ten Nights in a Barroom," on the *Goldenrod* showboat. (1 item) (accession number 68-0033) (**OVERSIZE**)
- 1958 Illustrated travel brochure announcing the 1958 season of river cruises on the steamship *Delta Queen*. (2 copies) (accession number 65-0026)
- 1958 Missouri Historical Society steamboat list, compiled by Ruth Ferris, from sources including the Mesker list of *Steamboats on Western Waters, 1818-1850*. (4 pages) (1 item)
- 1958 Sep 5 Inspection trip pass of Charles Van Ravenswaay for travel on the Merchant Vessel *Lachlan Macleay*, from St. Louis to Kansas City. (1 item)
- 1958 Nov 23 *St. Louis Post-Dispatch* article titled "Old Man River," written by Robert A. Hereford.
- circa 1959 Advertisement card for excursions on the *Lake Queen*, operating on the Mississippi River out of Pere Marquette State Park near Grafton, Illinois. Card includes a photograph of the *Lake Queen*. (accession number 65-0026)
- 1959 Printed announcement and prepublication order form for book titled *Advertisements of Lower Mississippi River Steamboats, 1812-1920* by Leonard V. Huber, published by the Steamship Historical Society of America. (accession number 65-0026).

- 1959 Brochure for sightseeing trips on the excursion steamer *Admiral* at St. Louis. Includes photographs of interior and exterior of the *Admiral*. (2 copies) (accession number 65-0026)
- circa 1960 Advertisement card for sightseeing trips on the excursion steamer *Admiral* at St. Louis. Includes photographs of interior and exterior of the *Admiral*. (accession number 65-0026)
- circa 1960s Broadside: "Greene Line Steamers, Inc., of Cincinnati, Ohio, presents southern steamboat tunes of the steam calliope; the great stern wheel steamer *Delta Queen* will be at the steamboat landing. . . performance by Prof. E. Jay Quinby." (1 item) **(OVERSIZE)**
- circa 1960s Brochure titled "Your Visitor's Guide to New Orleans, Compliments of the Steamer *President*."
- 1960 Apr 28 Photocopy of *St. Louis Post-Dispatch* clipping titled "No Roll, No Pitch on *Delta Queen*," April 28, 1860, and newspaper clipping titled "*Delta Queen* Sold, Will Continue River Operation," datelined Cincinnati, February 22, [1958?].
- 1960 Aug 31 Typescript copies of two press releases concerning the history of the steamboat *Mississippi* from the Missouri River Commission. (5 pages) (accession number 66-0019)
- 1961 Typescript account by Ruth Ferris on the background of the *Golden Eagle* pilot house. (1 item)
- 1961 June 21 Copy of typescript letter signed J.W. Pumphrey. U.S. Army Engineers, Memphis, Tennessee, to Eric P. Newman, St. Louis, giving an advance notice to bidders on the former steamboat *Mississippi*. Letter includes "Notice to Prospective Bidders" with general description of the vessel and request card. (2 pages) (1 item)
- 1961 Dec Community School newsletter with story "The *Golden Eagle* Moves," about the Pilot House moving to the Missouri Historical Society. (6 pages) (1 item) (accession number 59-0066)
- 1962 Advertisement for private cruises on the *Mississippi Belle*, St. Louis. (1 item)
- 1963 Jan 25 Typescript genealogical notes on the family of Joseph Dryden, steamboat pilot, captain, and master. Also includes typescript copy of page from the *Waterways Journal*, December 26, 1925. (5 pages)

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- 1963 Apr 30 Broadside of steamboat race between the *Delta Queen* and the *Belle of Louisville* on the Ohio River at Louisville, followed by competition of famous calliopists. (1 item) **(OVERSIZE)**
- 1963 June 20 Envelope of the Wheeling, Sistersville, Charleston Packet Boat Co., addressed to Miss Ruth Ferris, Missouri Historical Society, bearing the canceled stamp of the steamboat *Lady Grace*. Enclosure: printed card of Walter W. McCoy, Sistersville, West Virginia, which briefly discusses packet boat mail history, the steamer *Lady Grace*, and the commemorative stamp. (2 items) (accession number 63-0044)
- 1963 Nov 1 Copy of typescript excerpts, concerning steamboat *Damsel*, from article submitted to the State Historical Society of North Dakota on Missouri River steamboating. (1 item)
- [1964] Promotional brochure titled "What to See and Do in St. Louis," issued by the Chamber of Commerce of Metropolitan St. Louis. **(transferred to St. Louis History Collection, November 2004)**
- 1964 Brochure for the *River Queen*, with information on tours of the ship and its new Mark Twain Lounge. (1 item)
- 1964 May 5 Invitation of Cargill Incorporated and Cargo Carriers Incorporated to the christening of the 8000 H.P. Towboat, *M.V. John H. Macmillan, Jr.* (1 item)
- [1968] Souvenir program for the *Goldenrod* showboat production titled "Brother Against Brother." (2 copies)
- [1968] Press release of the Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service Regional Information, Minneapolis, Minnesota, titled "Sunken Steamer Sought at DeSoto Refuge." Discusses the efforts to excavate the steamboat *Bertrand*, which reportedly sank April 1, 1865, at Bertrand Bend on the Missouri River near Missouri Valley, Iowa.
- 1969 Nov 9 *St. Louis Globe-Democrat Sunday Magazine* clipping titled "The Bertrand Yields Its Treasure." (5 pages)
- 1970 Advertisements for excursions on the steamboats *Admiral* and *Huck Finn*. (2 items)

- 1970 Apr 3 Invitation to cocktail party honoring the *Lt. Robert E. Lee* Riverboat Restaurant on the St. Louis waterfront, with menu and wine list. (3 items)
- 1970 Apr 20 *New York Times* clipping titled “*Delta Queen*, Link to Twain Era, Doomed.” (1 item)
- circa 1971 Letterhead and illustrated envelope of the steamer *Delta Queen*. (accession number 73-0031)
- 1971 Feb 19 Copy of typescript speech titled “Steamboatmen Who Helped Make the West,” prepared by James V. Swift for the *Waterways Journal*, and delivered by George Brooks at a meeting of the St. Louis Westerners. (18 pages)
- Box 3, Folder 5**
- 1972 Feb 27 *The New Yorker* article titled “The River World,” describing river trip from Kansas City, to Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on towboat *Lesta K*. (20 pages)
- 1973 Papers regarding the Women’s Association of the St. Louis Symphony Society’s *Delta Queen* cruise, including itinerary and passenger list. (7 items)
- [1974] Circular letter, advertisement card, and color brochure of Streckfus Steamers, promoting excursions of the *Huck Finn* and *Sam Clemens*. (3 items)
- 1974 Essay titled “The Loss of Government Greenbacks on the Steamer *Ruth*,” by Ronald Horstman. (3 pages) (1 item) (accession number 74-0058)
- 1976 Advertisement card showing rates for group discount plans for excursions on the *Admiral* (1976), and undated color brochure for river trips on the *Admiral*. (2 items)
- 1978 Advertising material of the Delta Queen Steamboat Company, Cincinnati, for excursions on the *Delta Queen* and *Mississippi Queen* for the 1979 season. (4 items)
- Box 3, Folder 6**
- [1986] *River Yarns* (Volume 1, Number 3 [1986]), newsletter of the National Rivers Hall of Fame, Dubuque, Iowa. (1 item)

- 1986 Promotional packet for the *Admiral*, containing news releases, fact sheets, pamphlet, and graphic images of interior and exterior of the *Admiral*. (10 items)
- no date Printed announcement regarding the proper wearing of life preservers (accession number 65-0026).
- no date Ticket for the steamboat *Golden Gate* (accession number 61-0033).
- no date Notebook titled "Navigation on Missouri," which contains handwritten descriptions of several types of river vessels (i.e., keelboat, piroge, canoe) (9 pages).
- no date Three business letterheads of the Streckfus Steamboat Line in St. Louis, Cincinnati, and New Orleans. (3 items) (accession number 65-0026)
- no date Typescript biographical sketch of Captain George W. Atchison, extracted from E.W. Gould's *Fifty Years on the Mississippi*, with appended notes about his family. (1 item)
- no date Blank bill of lading of the Luedinghaus-Espenschied Wagon Co., St. Louis.
- no date Printed station bill of *Golden Eagle*, Eagle Packet Co. Contains emergency instructions for the crew. **(OVERSIZE)**