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Records, 1789-1930**

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Mail route and postmaster records

Microfilm reel 1

Original records and data

Part A. Mail route registers for Massachusetts, Kentucky, Indiana, Missouri, and Illinois from the Bureau of the Second Assistant Postmaster General (includes names and routes of mail deliverers), 1814-1859

Part B. Postmaster appointment records in Illinois and Kentucky (organized by county), 1832-1930

Box 1

Transcripts of Microfilm

Part A. Mail route registers, 1814-1859

Part B. Postmaster appointment records, 1832-1930

Book 1, 1830-1845.

Book 2, 1845-1855.

Book 3, 1855-1865.

Book 4, 1865-1878.

Book 5, 1878-1993.

Book 6, 1893-1931 Counties A-Li.

Book 6, 1893-1931 Counties Lo-W.

Correspondence with the Postmaster General's Office

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Part C. Transcripts of correspondence sent to the Postmaster General's office (reports, requests, or complaints about mail service in the Midwest), 1856-1861.

Part D. Transcripts of correspondence sent from the Postmaster General's office (information regarding the logistics pertaining to mail service across the Midwest), 1789-1893.

Illinois post office historical data cards, 1800-1917.

This series consists of 6 boxes of 3x5" index cards with data about Illinois post offices. Each card includes the location of the post office, date of establishment, first postmaster, date if discontinued, and any change in name. The cards are filed by number. In order to match a post office with its assigned number, consult the cards located in the first half of box 2, which are arranged alphabetically by post office name.

Box 1 (cont.)

DVD Indices by post office number, county, date, and place name, 2008.

Box 2

Alphabetical index of corresponding post offices & numbers
Post office numbers 0-300.

Box 3

Post office numbers 301-1100.

Box 4

Post office numbers 1101-2000.

Box 5

Post office numbers 2001-3000.

Box 6

Post office numbers 3001-4000.

Box 7

Post office numbers 4001-4806.