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Records, 1914-1935

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I. Correspondence

Incoming and outgoing correspondence is arranged in one alphabetical run by name of organization, company, or correspondent. Illinois organizations are filed under the city or town name, out-of-state organizations by state, then by city. (For example, the Mattoon Chamber of Commerce is under "Mattoon," while the Denver Chamber of Commerce is filed under "Colorado.")

Box 1

1. A

- 2. Addressograph Company (Chicago)
- 3. Adkins, Congressman Charles D.
- 4. American Multigraph Company (Cleveland)
- 5. Aurora Chamber of Commerce
- 6. B
- 7. William Beck and Sons Co. (Cincinnati)
- 8. Big Four Railway System
- 9. Black, William z. (State Representative)
- 10. Bloom, P. E. (Catlin, Illinois)
- 11. Bloomington Chamber of Commerce
- 12. Butler Bros. (Chicago)
- 13. C.
- 14. California
- 15. Canada
- 16. Carson Pirie Scott & Co.
- 17. Chain Store Age
- 18. Chamber of Commerce of the United States
- 19. Champaign
- 20. Champaign Chamber of Commerce
- 21. Champaign County Farm Board
- 22. Chevrolet
- 23. Chicago and Eastern Illinois Railway Co.
- 24. Chicago Association of Commerce
- 25. Chicago Better Business Bureau

- 26. Chicago Daily News
- 27. Chicago Motor Club
- 28. Chicago World's Fair
- 29. Colorado
- 30. Connecticut
- 31. Cook, Deborah (New York City)
- 32. Craig, Edith (Normal, Illinois)
- 33. Cutter, Edgar (Chicago)

34. D

- 35. Danville
- 36. Danville Chamber of Commerce
- 37. Dartnell Corporation (Chicago)
- 38. Decatur
- 39. Decatur Chamber of Commerce
- 40. Disabled American Veterans
- 41. Dry Goods Merchants Trade Journal
- 42. Dunlap, H. M. (State Senator)

Box 2

43. E

- 44. Governor Louis Emmerson
- 45. Executives' Club of Chicago

46. F

- 47. Fantus Factory Location Service (Chicago)
- 48. Farmers Grain Dealers Association of Illinois
- 49. Federation of Illinois Colleges
- 50. Finfrock, Chauncey L. (Urbana lawyer, Little & Finfrock)
- 51. Ford
- 52. Furniture Record
- 53. G
- 54. Galesburg Chamber of Commerce
- 55. Gasthoff, Earl W., Gasthoff Decorating Co. (Danville)
- 56. Gem City Business College (Quincy)
- 57. General Motors
- 58. Governor Emmerson's Commission on Unemployment Relief
- 59. Great A&P Tea Co.
- 60. Green & Palmer (Urbana law firm)
- 61. H
- 62. Hageman Publicity Agency (St. Louis)
- 63. Heffernan, Maj. L. E. (Chanute)

64. I

- 65. Illinois
- 66. Illinois Association of Elks
- 67. Illinois Association of Ice Industries
- 68. Illinois Bell
- 69. Illinois Central Railroad
- 70. Illinois Chamber of Commerce

- 71. Illinois Commerce Commission
- 72. Illinois Council of Religious Education
- 73. Illinois Farmers' Institute
- 74. Illinois Journal of Commerce
- 75. Illinois Library Association
- 76. Illinois Municipal League
- 77. Illinois Power
- 78. Illinois Press Association
- 79. Illinois Retail Clothiers' and Furnishers' Association
- 80. Illinois Traction System
- 81. State of Illinois Agencies (excludes University)
- 82. State of Illinois-Adjutant General
- 83. State of Illinois-Department of Public Works
- 84. State of Illinois-Division of Highways
- 85. State of Illinois-Governor
- 86. State of Illinois-Secretary of State

Box 3

- 87. Indiana
- 88. Crawfordsville (Indiana) Chamber of Commerce
- 89. Indianapolis
- 90. Indianapolis Better Business Bureau
- 91. Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce
- 92. Iowa
- 93. Davenport Chamber of Commerce
- 94. Des Moines
- 95. International Paper Company (New York City)
- 96. Intertype Corporation (Chicago)
- 97. J
- 98. K
- 99. Kankakee
- 100. Kansas
- 101. Kay, Hobart (father of Gerald, the "amazing boy wonder who can both whistle and eat at the same time")
- 102. Kewanee
- 103. G. H. Kirk Co.
- 104. Kline Brothers Co.
- 105. Kroger Grocery & Bakery Co.
- 106. Jos. Kuhn & Co. (Champaign merchant)

107. L

- 108. Little, Roger F. (Urbana lawyer, Little & Finfrock)
- 109. Ma
- 110. Malloch, Douglas (Chicago)
- 111. Mattoon
- 112. Mc
- 113. Me-Mi
- 114. Michigan

- 115. Battle Creek Chamber of Commerce
- 116. Grand Rapids Store Equipment Co.
- 117. Minnesota
- 118. Missouri
- 119. St. Louis Better Business Bureau
- 120. Mo-Mz
- 121. Montgomery Ward
- 122. Modern Display Equipment Co. (Chicago)

Box 4

123. Na-Nat

- 124. National Association of Better Business Bureau
- 125. National Better Business Bureau
- 126. National Recovery Administration
- 127. National Tea Company
- 128. Nb-Nz
- 129. New Jersey
- 130. New York
- 131. New York Central Lines
- 132. Nielson, Knud (Evergreen, Alabama)
- 133. O
- 134. Ohio
- 135. Oklahoma
- 136. P
- 137. Pace, Anderson; Pace Inc. (Chicago)
- 138. Paris, Ill.
- 139. Pennsylvania
- 140. Peoria
- 141. Peoria and Eastern Railway
- 142. Polley, Frederick A. (Indianapolis)
- 143. Pullman Co.
- 144. R
- 145. Rantoul
- 146. Rickey, Branch (St. Louis Cardinals, see also #230)
- 147. Rockford

Box 5

148. Sa-Sl
149. Sm-Sz
150. Scott Stores Inc.
151. Smith, George C. (Industrial Club of St. Louis)
152. Standard Paper Manufacturing Co. (Richmond, Virginia)
153. Sweeney, Professor O. R. (Iowa State College)
154. T
155. Tennessee
156. Texas
157. U

158. University of Illinois

159. Urbana
160. City of Urbana
161. Urbana Daily Courier
162. Urbana High School
163. Utterback, R. M. (Utterback's Business Colleges, Danville)
164. V
165. W
166. Wisconsin
167. X - Y - Z
168. YMCA

II. Minutes and Reports of Committees

Box 6

169. Annual Election Committee 170. Annual Meeting Committee 171. Annual Primary Election Committee 172. Armistice Day Committee 173. Board of Directors, Minutes of Meetings 174. George Chapin's notes from Directors' Meetin 175. Christmas Activities Committee 176. Decoration Committee 177. Emergency Relief Committee 178. Football Banquet Committee 179. Fraternity Credits Committee 180. Joint Committee on Taxation (with Champaign County Farm Bureau and Champaign Chamber of Commerce) 181. Leal School Committee 182. Membership Committee 183. National Affairs Committee 184. Committee on Outlook Sanitarium 185. Committee on Retail Instruction 186. Retail Trade Council 187. Rooster Day Committee, 1932 188. On to St. Joseph Committee 189. Secret Committee of 200 190. School Relations Committee 191. Committee on Solicitations 192. Twin City Unemployment Committee 193. University of Illinois Athletic Relations Committee 194. Urbana Golf and Country Club Membership Committee 195. Urbana High School Athletic Relations Committee 196. Urbana High School Band/Parents of the Band Committee 197. Urbana National Recovery Administration Investigating Committee 198. Miscellaneous Committees

III. Miscellaneous Materials

Box 7
199. Annual Meeting, 1934
Introductions, awards, promotional material
200. Annual Meeting, 1934
Correspondence
201. Farm Census Preliminary Announcements, U. S. Census Bureau Press Releases,
1930, includes 85 of 102 Illinois counties; alphabetical
202. Holaday Post Roads Bill, 1928-1932
Correspondence dealing with bill proposed by W. P. Holaday, Congressman from
Illinois, concerning construction of a national system of hard surface roads
203. Indianapolis Better Business Bureau Bulletin
Scattered issues, May 1929-January 1930; July 1935
204. Indianapolis Better Business Bureau Radio Talks
205. Junior Chamber of Commerce Survey Correspondence
Chapin's letters to organizations around U.S. asking for information that would help
him start a Junior Chamber of Commerce in Urbana
206. Trip Reports, 1928
Reports of Chapin's business trips to Chicago and Danville
207. Twin-City Labor Survey, 1930
208. Uncategorized (includes a paper by Chapin, "If I were an Editor Again," press releases, 1932 Annual Report, newsletters of the Urbana Women's Club, biographical sketches of Mr. & Mrs. Potter Palmer, programs, invitations, insurance policy receipt, second pages of unidentified letters, handbills of the East Green Street Grocery, and other materials)
IV. George Chapin's Records of Other Organizations

Box	8

209. Civil Works Administration
Primarily memoranda and statistical forms
210. Illinois Commercial Secretaries Association
211. National Recovery Administration-Urbana
Meetings of the Urbana NRA Compliance Board
NRA General Committee, and Retail Trade Council; question and answer publicity
material; Retail Code Authority forms
212. National Recovery Administration-Urbana Merchant Agreements
213. Twilight Baseball League, 1931
Urbana Community Chest
214. Minutes, budgets, reports
215. Correspondence
216. Publicity, solicitations, bulletins, miscellaneous
217. Illinois Commercial Secretaries Association Survey, 1928
218. Red Cross, YMCA
219. Urbana Golf and Country Club
220. Urbana Playground Association, 1930-1932

Urbana Rotary Club

221. Committee reports and membership correspondence

222. Conference of 45th District

- 223. Chapin paper, "Thoughts About Rotary"
- 224. Rotary International Directives, instructions, correspondence from headquarters in Chicago
- 225. Classification rules, publications
- 226. Rotary International Boys Work Committee and Conference, 1924-1925
- 227. December 1932 Monthly Attendance Reports for the 45th District

V. Managing Secretaries' Personal Correspondence

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228. George Chapin correspondence, 1914-1925 Floyde D. Sperry correspondence 229. Correspondence, 1932-1934, A-L

- 230. Correspondence from Cameron Harmon (includes letter from Branch Rickey to Harmon, January 11, 1934 (see also #146)
- 231. Correspondence, M-Z

232. Sperry-Miscellaneous

Includes his resume, photo negative, lists of prominent men in Illinois, interviewing tips