

**PRELIMINARY INVENTORY  
ACCESSION CA5812  
THOMAS M. BINGER COLLECTION**

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**Dates:** 1893-2018

**Creator:** Binger, Thomas M., collector

**Collection Size:** 26.4 cubic feet, 1 audio disc

**Introduction**

Collection of U.S. railroad timetables, publications, promotional material, photographs and miscellaneous material, and newsletters of Missouri railroad enthusiast organizations, Mid-Missouri Railfans and the St. Louis chapter of the National Railway Historical Society. Also includes some personal and family material.

**Donor Information**

The collection was donated by Thomas M. Binger to the University of Missouri on 10 May 1999. Additional material has been donated by Binger several times over the years, most recently on 23 July 2018.

**Box List**

**Box 1**

- Amtrak
- Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe
- Burlington Northern
- Missouri Pacific
- Missouri-Kansas-Texas
- Norfolk Southern
- Other US railroads
- Union Pacific

**Box 2**

- Mid-Missouri Railfans, *The Waybill*
- Miscellaneous organizations and events
- Photographs/Slides
- St. Louis Chapter, National Railway Historical Society, *The Gateway Railletter*

**Box 3**

- Arkansas Railroad Club
- Mid-Missouri Railfans, *The Waybill*
- St. Louis Chapter, National Railway Historical Society, *The Gateway Railletter*
- Timetables and related items
- Unsorted promotional material and guidebooks related to railroad travel tours and excursions in the U.S. and Europe

**Box 4**

- Maps

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Unsorted promotional material and guidebooks related to railroad travel tours and excursions in the U.S. and Europe

**Box 5-6**

Railroad publications, catalogs, etc.

**Box 7**

Books  
Burlington Northern/Missouri Pacific  
Frisco Days History Festival Poster  
National Railway Historical Society Convention, 2001  
Negatives, 1970s  
Transportation Zone Maps (2)

**Boxes 8-11**

Railroad publications  
Magazines- *National Railway Bulletin, Trains, Railroad Modeler*, etc.  
Newsletters  
Books- *Engineers Exams, Knowledge is Power, Team Passenger Directory, Down at the Depot*  
*Official Railway Guide*, 1960-1980  
Tickets, patches, timetables, postcards, maps, and other railway memorabilia

**Box 12 (OVERSIZE)**

Chronological map of the Civil War  
Newspaper clippings  
Scrapbooks [3]  
Cub Scout  
Kansas City

**Box 13**

Personal papers  
Bank books  
Boy Scouts  
Boys State  
Correspondence  
Graduation—Fulton High  
Graduation—MU, School of Journalism  
Hallmark Cards, Inc.  
Maps  
Obituary  
Playbills & Programs  
Rotary Club  
Teaching materials  
Travel documents

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Railroad memorabilia

Alton Railroad company freight bills  
Children's ABC book—Railroad  
Photographic slides  
*Railroad Curves & Earthwork*, C. Frank Allen, S.B., published by McGraw  
Hill, New York, 1931  
Railroad weather charts, 1970s [6]    OVERSIZE

**Box 14**

Railroad publications

*All Aboard: The Trains that Built America*, by Mary Elting, published by  
Scholastic Book Services, New York, 1951  
*An American Journey By Rail*, Timothy Jacobson and Dudley Whitney, W.  
W. Norton and Company, New York, 1988  
*Business Logistics, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition*, Heskett, Glsgowsky aand Ivie, published by  
the Ronald Press Company, New York, 1973  
*Civil War Railroads*, by George B. Abdill, Bonanza Books, New York, 1961  
*Economics of Transportation*, D. Philip Locklin, Business Publications, Inc.,  
1977  
*Railway Track and Track Work, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition*, by E.E. Russell Tratman,  
published by the Engineering News Publishing Company, New York,  
1901  
*The Empire that Missouri Pacific Serves*, Missouri Pacific Lines, published by  
Von Hoffman Press, St. Louis, Missouri, not dated  
*To Santa Fé by Narrow Gauge: the D&RG's "Chili Line,"* reprinted from  
Colorado Rail annual 1969

**Box 15**

Directories

Independence, 1956  
William Woods University, Alumnae, 1993

Travel Guides—Europe

Baedeker: Austria, Rome, Vienna, Paris, Switzerland, Madrid  
DK: Great Britain  
Fodor: London

Travel Guides—United States

Alaska, Boston

**Box 16**

Historical documents, 1905, 1927

Insurance papers  
Post cards

Railroads

American Association of Private Railraod Car Owners, Inc.  
Amtrak—system timetable, fall 2003-summer 2004  
Car reports

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Magazines

*Trains*: April 2003; Aug 2004; April-Dec, 2005; Jan-June, Aug 2006

Maps

Mid-Missouri Railfans

*Waybill*, 2006

Miscellaneous memorabilia

National Railway Historical Society

*Bulletin*, 2003-2005

*Gaitway Rail Letter*, 2004-2006

Piedmont Eagle—miscellaneous materials

St. Louis chapter membership roster

Yearbook

Newsletters

Newspaper clippings

Publications & Programs

*All Aboard*: Royal Gorge Route Railroad, 2004

*Arkansas Railroader*, 2004-2006

*Mixed Train*, 2004-2005

*Private Varnish*,

*Ticket to Toltec*: Mile for Mile guide/Cumbres & Toltec Scenic  
Railroad

*Train Festival* program, 2004

Twentieth Century Railroad Club—Catalogs

**Box 17**

Correspondence, general

Miscellaneous personal papers

University of Missouri

Fraternity

Articles written by Tom Binger

Newspaper clippings—written by Barbara Binger

Newspaper clippings—photos by Tom Binger

Mix, Tom

Photographs—Miscellaneous

Railroad memorabilia [8]

Calendars

Arkansas Railroad, 1999

Museum of Transportation, 1993

Chicago & Eastern Illinois Railroad—Safety rules

Correspondence

Magazines

*Passenger Train*, 1991

*Rail Fan & Railroad*, 1989

*Rail News*

*Trains*, 1994

Miscellaneous maps

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MO Pacific Railroad Company—Record of car seals  
Negatives & Contact sheets  
Newsletters—*Turntable Times*  
Newspaper articles  
Photographs [Fulton High School and Fulton area]  
Photographs [MU School of Journalism projects]  
Post cards  
Posters  
Publicity brochures  
Schedules & times  
Ticket stubs  
Travel maps

**Box 18**

University of Missouri  
Personal papers  
Sigma Alpha Epsilon

**Box 19**

Railroad timetables, Time Books, 2006-2013 (10 folders)  
Journals, Instructions, 1893-1964  
Slides, 1993-1997, n.d. (4 folders, 1 envelope)  
Rosters, 1938-2011 (3 folders)  
Certificates, 1938-2011 (3 folders)  
Photos, 1903, 1936, n.d.  
Maps, Brochures, 2002-2010 (2 folders)  
Correspondence, 1972, 1993-2010 (4 folders)  
Conventions, Specifications 2010, 2012

**Box 20**

Railroad Publications and Newsletters, 2008-2012 (19 folders)  
Timetables, Time Books, Tours, 1951-2012 (7 folders)  
Engines, Specifications, Rules, Histories, 1944-1999

**Box 21**

Railroad Publications and Newsletters, 1986-2003 (21 folders)

**Box 22**

Railroad Publications and Newsletters, 2003-2008 (34 folders)

**Box 23**

Railroad Travel/Trips  
Travel documents  
Barbara Binger  
George Binger  
Florence Binger

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Fulton (MO) High School, Class of 1975, 40<sup>th</sup> Reunion  
Thomas Binger, Correspondence, 1970-2015

Certificates

Railroads

Forms

Clippings

USA—Penna—Gettysburg

National Railway Historical Society, St. Louis Chapter, 1992-2015

Fort Wayne Railroad Historical Society, 2012-2014

Monticello Railway Museum, 2013-2014

“Iron Horse Times,” 2013-2016

“The Yella Board,” 2014-2015

“The Pullman News,” 1945-1951 (2 folders)

“GM&O News,” 1950-1963

Timetables and brochures (6 folders)

Rules Books, 1981-1982

Miscellaneous ephemera

**Box 24**

Publications

*St. Louis Union Station and Its Railroads*, Centennial Edition by Norbury L. Wayman

*The St. Louis-San Francisco Transcontinental Railroad: The Thirty-fifth Parallel Project, 1853-1890* by H. Craig Miner

*Missouri-Kansas-Texas Lines in Color* by Raymond B. George, Jr.

*Kansas City Southern in the Deramus Era* by Louis A. Marre and Gregory J. Sommers

*Railroads of Kansas City* by Terry Lynch

Newsletter, Terminal Railraod Association of St. Louis Historical and Technical Society, Summer 2005

*Union Station Kansas City* by Jeffrey Spivak

*The Texas & Pacific Railway: Super-Power to Streamliners 1925-1975* by Joe G. Collias

*MOPAC Power: Missouri Pacific Lines, Locomotives and Trains 1905-1955* by Joe G. Collias

*Frisco Diesel Power* by Louis A. Marre and John Baskin Harper

*Frisco Power: Locomotives and Trains of the St. Louis-San Francisco Railway 1903-1953* by Joe G. Collias

*Katy Power: Locomotives and Trains of the Missouri-Kansas-Texas Railroad 1912-1985* by Joe G. Collias and Raymond B. George, Jr.

Railroads

Photographs, Trains

Polar Express/Santa’s Express

Miscellaneous railroad organizations

Railroad magazines and newsletters (2 folders)

Brochures, pamphlets, timetables, miscellaneous (2 folders)

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Engine diagrams

**Box 25**

Publications

*The Official Guide of the Railways and Steam Navigation Lines of the United States, Canada, Mexico, and Cuba*, August 1924

*The Historical Guide to North American Railroads* compiled by George H. Drury

*Train Watcher's Guide to St. Louis*

Railroad timetables, 1930s-1980s

Railroad brochures, pamphlets, timetables, and miscellaneous ephemera (binder)

**Box 26**

National Railroad Historical Society, St. Louis Chapter

State Farm Insurance

Correspondence, 1990-2017

Sales statistics and agent rankings, 1986-2010 (7 folders)

Miscellaneous

Programs

Sigma Alpha Epsilon-Missouri Alpha, 2016-2017

Publications

*The Trains We Rode* by Lucius Beebe and Charles Clegg

*The Rainbow Route: An Illustrated History* by Robert E. Sloan and Carl A. Skowronski

*Whistling Through the West* by Phylis Bowman

*Railroads: The History of the American Railroads in 500 Photos* by Steve Barry

**Box 27 (gray)**

Railroads

Regulations, time books, etc.

Pamphlets and brochures

Miscellaneous

Polar Express/Santa's Express, 2017

National Railroad Historical Society, 2017-2018

Monticello Railway Museum, 2017-2018

Publications

*Granger Country: A Pictorial Social History of the Burlington Railroad*  
edited by Lloyd Lewis and Stanley Pargellis

*The Lake Superior Iron Ore Railroads* by Patrick C. Dorin

*All Aboard America: Classic American Trains* edited by Melville Wheaton

*On the Railroad* by Robert S. Henry, 1936

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LOCATION: UO-2

Photograph, Missouri Boy's State, 1975

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LOCATION: UO-6

Promotional poster, "See the Country, Travel Amtrak"  
Amtrak calendars, 1976, 1987, 1988

LOCATION: UO-9

Calendars, Union Pacific System and Burlington Northern, 1980s-1990s  
"Onboard Times," Norfolk Southern Railroad  
Illustration, Norfolk and Western Bicentennial Unit 1776, 1974

LOCATION: Unprocessed Rolls, Box 1

Missouri Pacific Railroad Company, Dispatcher's record of movement of trains (6 sheets)

**AUDIOVISUAL MATERIAL (Location: Unprocessed A/V)**

Audio disc

Fulton Public Schools, "Concert and Stange Bands in Concert," not dated