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CARLI Book Digitization Initiative

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The University of Illinois at Chicago Library proposes the digitization of 34 pre-1900 titles whose subject is railroads in Illinois. Included in the selection are texts related to legal proceedings, land sales, and commercial affairs of historic rail lines and companies, including the Illinois Central Railroad. The set also includes several works related to the Pullman strike of the late 19th Century. The items include a wealth of statistical tables as well as names of key figures in some companies. Several of the titles do contain fold outs, including maps, and though there are few other illustrations within the selected items, two of the more whimsical books are railroad-related plays handsomely illustrated with color drawings. One particular title, a set of annual reports of the Railroad and Warehouse Commission of Illinois, numbers 13 volumes. Some related items from the UIC Library collections (and other libraries' collections) have been digitized and placed with the Open Content Alliance. These additional materials would suitably complement the existing digitized texts. The texts, moreover, would complement the selection of items built around the themes of Transportation Planning in Illinois, 1910-1970 (as proposed by the Illinois Institute of Technology Library) and Illinois Transportation Studies and Reports (as proposed by Northwestern University Library).

The expansion of railroads into Middle America in the 19th Century opened Illinois and surrounding states to greater settlement and rapid growth. The city of Chicago especially benefited from this movement. Several of the titles in the selection concern the Illinois Central Railroad, an especially interesting case for being the nation's first land-grant railroad. Though it is now part of the Canadian National Railway company, at one point it boasted the longest rail line in the world, and eventually connected much of the Midwest and Gulf Coast. An additional subset of the proposed items relates to the Pullman Strike, setting the history of railroads in Illinois within the greater framework of late 19th Century labor movements. The Strike resulted in the deaths of rail workers, thousands of dollars (at that time) of damage, and the eventual annexation of the company town of Pullman by the city of Chicago. Among the noteworthy events of 19th century Illinois, the Strike is a dark and significant moment. All together, these texts provide a multiple perspectives on what the railroad meant to early Illinois. For its role in the settlement, growth, and development of the state, the railroad is an essential part of Illinois heritage and, therefore, strongly fits the CARLI Book Digitization Initiative theme of Illinois Culture and Heritage.

Title	Publication Year	# of Volumes	Edition	Publisher	OCLC #	Checked OCA site yes/no
Illinois Central Rail-road Company : to accompany bill H.R. no. 519	1837			Blair & Rives, Printers	15069066	Yes
Memorial of the Galena and Chicago Union Railroad Company, asking a right of way through the public lands : January 3, 1837 : referred to the Committee on roads and canals : January 20, 1837 : ordered to be printed	1837			s.n., Gales and Seaton, print.	15062888	Yes
Message from the governor to the General Assembly of Illinois, transmitting the semi-annual reports of the Board of Commissioners of Public Works, made in compliance with the tenth section of the act establishing a general system of internal improvements.	1838			William Walters, Public Printer	12698959	Yes
Report of the Select Committee on the Proposed Change of the Southern Termination of the Central Railroad : submitted to the House of Representatives, January 28, 1839	1839			William Walters, public printer	37259643	Yes
In Senate of the United States, April 13, 1846, Mr. Breese made the following report : to accompany bill S. no. 154. The Committee on Public Lands, to whom was referred the memorial of the Galena and Chicago Union Railroad Company, have had the same under consideration, and respectfully ask leave to report	1846			Ritchie & Heiss	11109220	Yes
Organization of the Indiana and Illinois Central Railway Company : with the report of the engineer	1853			The Company, printed by Ellis & Sparr	35908306	Yes
In the Court of Claims, on the petition of the Illinois Central Railroad Company, brief of the Solicitor of the United States	1855			Gideon, printer	36957509	Yes
The charter and laws of the states of Ohio, Indiana, Michigan and Illinois, relating to the Michigar Southern and Northern Indiana Railroad Company	1855			John W. Amerman	4093974	Yes
The Illinois central rail-road company offer for sale over 2,400,000 acres selected prairie, farm and wood lands, in tracts of any size, to suit purchasers, on long credits ... situated on each side of their rail-road extending all the way from the extreme north to the south of the state of Illinois.	1855			J.W. Amerman, printer	6872373	Yes

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The Illinois Central Rail-Road Company offers for sale over 2,000,000 acres selected farming and wood lands, in tracts of forty acres and upwards, to suit purchasers, on long credits, and at low rates of interest, situated on each side of their rail-road, extending all the way from the extreme north to the south of the state of Illinois.	1856			John W. Amerman, printer	34230692	Yes
Contracts and agreement with the Illinois Central Rail Road Co., January 31, 1857	1857			Chatterton & Bro., printers	36953025	Yes
The Illinois Central Railroad Company offers for sale over 1,500,000 acres selected farming and wood lands, in tracts of forty acres and upwards, to suit purchasers, on long credits and at low rates of interest, situated on each side of their railroad, extending all the way from the extreme north to the south of the state of Illinois.	1857			G. C. Rand & Avery, Printers		Yes
By-laws of the Chicago and Rock Island Rail Road Company, adopted June 9th, 1858	1858			B.F. Corlies	4997635	Yes
Report of the minority of the Committee on Judiciary on House bill No. 373 in Senate, March 1, 1869.	1869			s.n.	36752114	Yes
The Railroads of Chicago : a comprehensive history containing a map of the lines within a radius of five hundred miles	1872			Western News Co	19036503	Yes
The Chicago & Pacific Railroad, a description of the new railroad line across the state of Illinois, from Chicago to the Mississippi River, with copy of charter, maps, etc	1873			H.B. Horton	11408133	Yes
Agreement between the Pennsylvania Company, Chicago and Alton Railroad Company, Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad Company, Pennsylvania Railroad Company, Joliet & Chicago Railroad Co. and Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne & Chicago Ry. Co. : use of tracks in Chicago	1880			s.n.	30336549	Yes
Sermon preached at the funeral of Samuel J. Hayes, superintendent of machinery of the Illinois Central R.R., September 25, A.D. 1882	1882			Rand, McNally & Co., printers	45866966	Yes
A parody on Iolanthe	1883			D. Daiziel, Halch Lithographic Co.	15053672	Yes
A parody on Princess Ida	1885			s.n.	40505683	Yes

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Agreement between Chicago, St. Louis & Pittsburgh Railroad Co., Chicago & North Western Railway Co. and Chicago & Great Western Railroad Co.: relocation of tracks and crossing at Crenshaw Street, Chicago.	1885				15056577	Yes
In the Supreme Court of Illinois, Northern Grand Division, September term, A.D. 1887, the people ex. rel. John P. Neal vs. John A. Roche, mayor, et. al. : petition for mandamus	1887			Horace O'Donoghue, brief and abstract printer	45432550	Yes
In the Supreme Court of Illinois, Southern Grand Division, in vacation after September term, A.D. 1887, the people of the state of Illinois ex relatione John P. Neal, vs. John A. Roche, mayor of the city of Chicago, et. al., petition for mandamus : petition for rehearing ; J.L. High, counsel for relator	1887			Horace O'Donoghue, brief and abstract printer	45432592	Yes
Chicago to-day : the labour war in America	1894			Review of Reviews Office	9205353	Yes
Proceedings of the General Managers' Association of Chicago : no. 22 ; Chicago, June 25, 1894, to July 14, 1894.	1894			The Association	26517475	Yes
The Pullman boycott. A complete history of the great R. R. Strike. By W. F. Burns.	1894			McGill Printing Co.	7686792	Yes
The Pullman strike / by William H. Canardine.	1894			Charles H. Kerr	24493961	Yes
The Pullman strike / by William H. Canardine.	1894		4th	Charles H. Kerr	11795281	Yes
The strike commissioner's report	1894			Monitor Press	26517332	Yes
The American Republic and the Debs insurrection, by Z. Swift	1895			Bibliotheca Sacra Co.	12834744	Yes
Holbrook, M.A., of Chicago, with an introduction by G. Frederick Wright, D.D., LL.D., of Oberlin College.						
The railroad strike of 1894 : the statements of the Pullman company and the report of the commission, together with an analysis of the issues	1895			Church Social Union	10051949	Yes
The Yerkes bill : answer of the Chicago Committee of One Hundred / [Josiah L. Lombard].	1897			[The Committee]	41148638	Yes
The Illinois Central Railroad, its position and prospects	1850-1851				36952532	Yes
Annual report of the Railroad and Warehouse Commission of the State of Illinois.	1872-[1914]	13		Illinois Journal Print. Office	5912825	Yes