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Haxel, William and Delmar Railroading Collection

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Brief History

Delmar Haxel, born in Bloomington in 1920, worked for the Illinois Central Gulf Railroad for thirty eight years. He served as supervisor of the Glenn Yards in the Chicago area. Delmar wed Wanda Parrott of Palmyra in 1941 in Bloomington. The couple raised three daughters and one son. Delmar was a member of St. Patrick's Church and the Elks Club. He died in 1980.

His father, William "Red" Haxel (1887-1970), worked fifty three years in the Bloomington Yards, retiring in 1956. Starting as a roundhouse laborer, Red soon became a fireman and then an engineer who operated freight engines in the yards. He and wife Elizabeth Kirsten Haxel had one son and one daughter.

Scope Notes

This collection includes a variety of railroad related materials such as locomotive manuals, operating department rules, wage schedules, railroad company publications, labor agreements, constitution of the American Railway Supervisors Association, and more. These were collected by both William and Delmar Haxel during their long careers.

Folder Inventory

Folder 1: Haxel, Delmar W.

- 1.1 Selective Service Notice of Classification, July 3, 1942
- 1.2 Office of Price Administration, Sugar Purchase Certificate, June 16, 1942 and August 5, 1942
- 1.3 Operator's license, issued August 12, 1968
- 1.4 Paybook, January 1945- September 1945
- 1.5 Wage and Tax Statement, 1966
- 1.6 Payroll earnings and deductions statements, undated
- 1.7 Protective Life Insurance Co. policy certificate, December 24, 1954
- 1.8 Amendment to Protective Life Insurance policy, October 24, 1963
- 1.9 Provident Life Insurance policy, July 1, 1966
- 1.10 Life & Guaranty Insurance Co. Identification card, no date
- 1.11 Provident Life and Accident Insurance Company Identification card, no date
- 1.12 Gulf Mobile and Ohio pass for D.W. Haxel, until December 31, 1959
- 1.13 Gulf Mobile and Ohio pass for Miss Janet L. Haxel (16), issued February 1, 1962
- 1.14 Gulf Mobile and Ohio pass for D.W. Haxel, until December 31, 1969
- 1.15 Amtrak Rail Privilege Card, good thru June 1979
- 1.16 International Association of Machinists membership ledger, 1949
- 1.17 International Association of Machinists Honorary Withdrawal card, June 28, 1954
- 1.18 International Association of Machinists dues ledger, 1963 and 1964
- 1.19 B.P.O Elks membership card, April 1, 1976
- 1.20 Newspaper clipping, D.W. Haxel as Santa Claus, Christmas 1973

Folder 2: Haxel, William H.

- 2.1 Selective Service Registration certificate, June, 1917
- 2.2 Selective Service Registration certificate, April 27, 1942
- 2.3 Statement of earnings and deductions, September 30, 1957
- 2.4 Withholding Statement, 1946-51, 54-55
- 2.5 Medical examination certificate, April 21, 1936, May 8, 1939, and April 25, 1941
- 2.6 Certificate of examination, rules, November 14, 1950
- 2.7 Employe (sic) Watch Certificate, April 18, 1956
- 2.8 Railroad passes for Mr. and Mrs. Haxel, 1913-39
- 2.9 Letters in recognition of outstanding service, 1908-1956
- 2.10 Report of accidents to persons, May 18, 1940
- 2.11 Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers Loyalty Certificate, May 5, 1930

- 2.12 Final Withdrawal card, Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen, January 1, 1970
- 2.13 Letters from Railroad Retirement Board, 1948, 1951, 1956
- 2.14 Certificate of Service Months and Wages, 1943-44, 46, 48-55
- 2.15 Card acknowledging application for retirement annuity, April 21, 1954
- 2.16 Newspaper clipping regarding William Haxel's retirement, "Railroads 53 Years, Retires," Pantagraph, November 30, 1956
- 2.17 Society for the Preservation of the Memory of Steam Locomotives and the Men who Ran Them certificate, no date

Folder 3: GM&O Railroad

- 3.1 The Alton GM&O Route condensed schedules, June 12, 1949
- 3.2 Office of Superintendent Motive Power and Car Equipment memo, October 27, 1949
- 3.3 Agreement between Gulf, Mobile, and Ohio Railroad Company and its supervisors below the rank of general foreman in the mechanical department, booklet, January 1, 1954
- 3.4 Agreement between Gulf, Mobile, and Ohio Railroad Company and its supervisors below the rank of general foreman in the mechanical department, December 19, 1956
- 3.5 Memorandum agreement between Gulf, Mobile, and Ohio Railroad Company and its supervisors below the rank of general foreman in the mechanical department, January 1, 1964
- 3.6 Gulf, Mobile and Ohio Railroad, menu, no date

Folder 4: American Railway Supervisors Association

- 4.1 Constitution and General Laws of the American Railway Supervisors Association and Subordinate Lodge, October 3, 1953
- 4.2 Constitution and By-Laws of the American Railway Supervisors Association and Subordinate Lodge By-Laws, October 22, 1960
- 4.3 American Railway Supervisors Assn., meeting minutes, February 19, 1965
- 4.4 Public Law 92-46, July 2, 1971
- 4.5 The 92nd Congress – A Report, AFL-CIO News, January 22, 1972
- 4.6 AFL-CIO Legislative Department, Compulsory Arbitration fact sheet, 1972
- 4.7 Free and Reduced-Rate Travel Prohibitions and Reservation Limitations, May 21, 1973

Folder 5: Publications

- 5.1 Missouri Division, September 1973
- 5.2 G.M. & O. No. 231 Retirement Party
- 5.3 Don't Quit, March-April 1974
- 5.4 Union Label Pledge, no date
- 5.5 Forget it All..., no date
- 5.6 93rd Congress Legislative Program of the Railway Labor Executives' Association, January 1973
- 5.7 The Supervisor's Journal, January-February 1974, Vol. 21, No. 1
- 5.8 The Supervisor's Journal, November-December 1975, Vol. 21, No. 6
- 5.9 GM&O News, January 15, 1952, Vol. XXXI, No. 1, 2 copies
- 5.10 GM&O News, December 15, 1956, Vol. XXXIV, No. 11
- 5.11 Illinois Central Gulf News, November 1973

- 5.12 Illinois Central Gulf News, January-February 1978
- 5.13 Labor, January 15, 1976
- 5.14 GM&O Historical Society Inc. Trade Table
- 5.15 Don't Tax Fringe Benefits, August 3, 1977

Folder 6: Miscellaneous

- 6.1 Fireman's Performance, December 1907
- 6.2 Semimonthly wage bracket withholding table, May 1, 1948
- 6.3 Call to Report to Service, September 11, 1950
- 6.4 Glenn Car Department Pool Marks, March 1, 1972
- 6.5 Chicago Division, Illinois Central Gulf, March 1974
- 6.6 Report to ICG employees on retirement, June 25, 1974
- 6.7 First Shops and Depot of C. & A. Railroad, no date
- 6.8 Alton Route Employee Credit Union account book, no date
- 6.9 Alton Route pay stubs, July 15, 1944 – December 31, 1945

Loose items:

- 1. Rules of the Operating Department, Toledo, St. Louis and Western Railroad and Chicago & Alton Railroad, 1909
- 2. Gulf, Mobile and Ohio Railroad Company, Rules for the Government of the Operating Department, 1951, 2 copies
- 3. Alco-GE Diesel-Electric Road Switcher, 1500hp Operating Manual, American Locomotive Company, General Electric Company, no date
- 4. Instruction Manual for the Operation of 600 hp. Diesel-Electric Switching Locomotive, Electro-Motive Division, General Motors Corporation, Feb. 15, 1942
- 5. Alco Diesel Locomotive Instruction Book, Bulletin No. 105-A, American Locomotive Company, no date
- 6. Maintenance Manual for 6-8-12 and 16-567A Engines, Electro-Motive Division, General Motors Corporation, Aug. 15, 1944
- 7. Scrapbook of newspaper clippings and other railroad documents