

Inventory of the

**DeKalb County Highway  
Commissioners**  
DeKalb, Illinois

Collection

In the

Regional History Center

**RC 326**

### INTRODUCTION

The DeKalb County Highway Commissioners were donated to the Regional History Center in November 2012.

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### SCOPE AND CONTENT

The collection consists of historical plat maps for cities and townships in DeKalb County (Ill.) from 1865-1951. Also included are the meeting minutes of the DeKalb County Highway Commission from April 5, 1884- April 15, 1913.

### BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

The DeKalb County Highway System was established in 1914. The first experimental cement highway was a segment laid near Malta. In 1920, DeKalb County had its first completely paved road with the finishing of Lincoln highway.

Today, the DeKalb County Highway Department maintains 190 miles of bituminous-paved highways and 45 bridge structures on the county road system. These interconnect with over 800 miles of township roads and 141 township bridges of the 19 townships.

### SUBJECT TRACINGS

DeKalb County (Ill.)  
DeKalb County Highway Commission  
Maps

COLLECTION INVENTORY

<u>BOX</u>	<u>FOLDER</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
1	1	Chadwick, Cornton, Cortland, Esmond, Hinckley, Malta, and Waterman, 1870-1948
	2	DeKalb, 1899-1951
	3	Genoa, Kingston, Kirkland, Sandwich, Somonauk, and Shabbona, 1888-1945
	4	Sycamore, 1950
	5	Townships 37-39, circa 1900s
	6	Township 41 North, n.d.
	7	Township 40-1 and 40-5, 1865-1945
	Volume	Minutes, DeKalb County Highway Commission, April 5, 1884-April 15, 1913