

## COLLECTION SUMMARY

**Collection title:** Clinton Fire Department Papers

**Dates:** 1882-1987, undated

**Size:** 0.5 box

**Shelf location:** M 3.7

**Creator/Collector:** Various

**Acquisition info.:** Unknown

**Accruals:** None

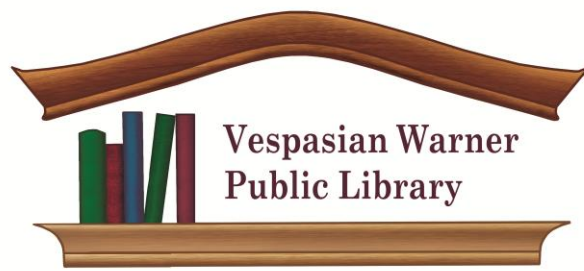
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**Language(s):** English

**Repository:** Vespasian Warner Public Library District

**Processed by:** Various

**Conservation notes:** None



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### **Preferred citation**

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### **Related collections**

None

### **Separated material**

None

### **Published descriptions**

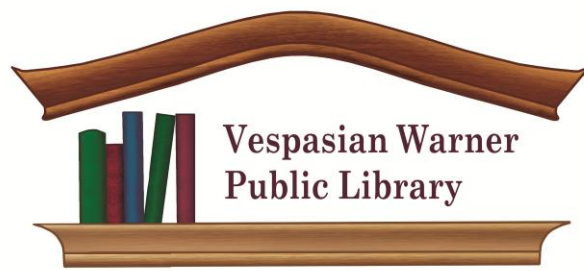
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### **Location of originals**

Not applicable

### **Location of copies**

Not applicable

**Publication note**

Not applicable

**Subject headings**

Fire departments – DeWitt County (Ill.)

Volunteer fire departments – DeWitt County (Ill.)

**BIOGRAPHICAL AND HISTORICAL NOTE**

The Clinton Fire Department was formed in 1874. The Illinois Firemen's Association was formed in Clinton, with a January 8, 1889 meeting of chiefs from Peru, Mattoon, Mason City, Clinton, Polo, Champaign, Mt. Pulaski, El Paso, and Chicago among other towns. J.W. Henshaw, of Peru, served as first president.

**SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE**

Papers consist of meeting minutes, constitution and by-laws, membership rosters, call registers, newspaper clippings, and other items relating to the Clinton Volunteer Fire Department. Papers date from 1882-1987 and also include a copy of by-laws from the Wapella Volunteer Fire Department (1979).



| <b>Clinton Fire Department Papers Collection Inventory</b>                                | <b>Box Number</b> | <b>Folder Number</b> |
|---|-------------------|----------------------|
| Constitution & By-laws of the Clinton Fire Department, 1888                               | 1                 | 1                    |
| Ticket to the 6 <sup>th</sup> Annual Masquerade Ball of the Clinton Fire Department, 1880 | 1                 | 2                    |
| Fireman's Tournament program, 1889  | 1                 | 3                    |
| Secretary Minute Book, 1882-1893  | 1                 | 4                    |
| Firehouse Roster for 1889   | 1                 | 5                    |
| Certificate of Membership signed by J.E. Moffat, 1894                                     | 1                 | 6                    |
| Roster for 1919   | 1                 | 7                    |
| Register of fire calls, 1953-1958   | 1                 | 8                    |
| Newspaper clippings, ca 1954-1973   | 1                 | 9                    |
| Meeting minutes, 1956-57  | 1                 | 10                   |
| Fire College certificate – Charles R. Simmons, 1958                                       | 1                 | 11                   |
| Clinton Fire Department Open House guestbook, 1966  | 1                 | 12                   |
| Newspaper clippings – E.S. Garriott   | 1                 | 13                   |
| CPR completion list, 1981-1987  | 1                 | 14                   |
| Fred Morse letter, 1983   | 1                 | 15                   |
| Call list   | 1                 | 16                   |
| Constitution & By-laws, edited  | 1                 | 17                   |
| <i>Twenty Years History of the Illinois Firemen's Association, 1907</i>                   | 1                 | 18                   |
| Wapella Fire Department By-laws, 1979   | 1                 | 19                   |