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### **Harold L. Platt, PhD, papers**

**Dates:** 1888-1988 (Primarily 1907-1934)

**Creator:** Platt, Harold L. (1945- )

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**See Also:** Commonwealth Edison Company records, UA2002.27; Commonwealth Edison Company collection, UA2023.11

### **Biography**

Harold L. Platt was born in 1945. He graduated from the University of Illinois in 1967 and received his PhD. From Rice University in 1974. Dr. Platt taught at Houston Community College prior to joining the History faculty at Loyola University Chicago in 1974. He was an assistant professor from 1974 to 1981, an associate professor from 1981 to 1990 and professor from 1990 to 2012. In 2012, Dr. Platt was named professor emeritus. Dr. Platt's research focuses on urban history, in particular the growth of electricity and public utilities.

### **Scope and Content**

The Harold L. Platt, PhD, papers span the years 1888 to 1988 (primarily 1907 to 1934) and consist of notes, reports, histories, and articles. These materials were gathered by Dr. Platt during research for his book *The Electric City* (1991).

### **Subjects**

Commonwealth Edison Company

Electricity

Public Utilities

Public Service Company

Electric railways

Century of Progress

Western United Corporation



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			1898-1911,
1	4	Commonwealth Edison Co. - Articles	Undated
			1929-1934, 1954,
1	5	Commonwealth Edison Co. - Materials & Articles about	Undated
1	6	Seymour "A History of Electric Service in Chicagoland"	1966
1	7	Organizational Charts, Indexes, Lists	Undated
1	8	KWH Output Data	1888-1902
1	9	Commonwealth Edison Co. - Kilowatt Hours Sold Data	1908-1933
1	10	Public Service Company - KWH per Customer by Towns	1912-1931
			1909-1936,
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2	1	Farm/Residential Applications	1912-1942
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2	3	Industrial Applications Data	1908-1934
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			1891-1928,
2	6	Service Area maps (1 of 2)	Undated
			1903-1980,
2	7	Service Area maps (2 of 2)	Undated
2	8	Coal Facts - The Chesapeake & Ohio Railway	Undated
2	9	Sargent & Lundy Story	Undated
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2	12	Century of Progress - Illinois Map with Service Territories	Undated
		Century of Progress - Southern Railway System Map,	
2	13	Chicago Street Cars	1929, 1934
		Century of Progress - Edison Electric Institute	
2	14	Publications	1933, 1936
			1907, 1915, 1920,
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3	2	Annual Reports - Commonwealth Edison Company and Subsidiary Companies	1947
3	3	Commonwealth Edison Company Annual Meeting of Stockholders	1981
3	4	Annual Report - Commonwealth Edison Company	1988
3	5	Commonwealth Edison Co. - Railway Contracts	1909-1913
3	6	Electric Service Agreements	1912
3	7	Electric Service Agreements	1913
3	8	Leases/Supplemental Leases	1913
3	9	Peoples Gas - The Yearbook 1930, Facts about Northern Illinois Gas Co.	1930, 1954 1897, 1902-1907, Undated
3	10	Public Service Co. Predecessor Companies	Undated
3	11	Public Service Co. - Ads	1916, 1923-1924
3	12	Public Service Co. - Yearbooks, Electric Home, Gas Home (photocopies)	1924, 1927, 1931, Undated
4	1	Treasurer's Reports - Aurora Gas Light Company and The Aurora Electric Light & Power Co.	1897, 1900-1904
4	2	Treasurer's Reports - Coal Products Manufacturing Company	1915-1920
4	3	Income and Expense Reports - Coal Products manufacturing Co.	1921-1925
4	4	Income and Expense Report - Illinois Commercial and Mining Company	1918-1921
4	5	Annual Report of the Illinois Northern Utilities Company	1912-1916
4	6	Annual Report of the Illinois Northern Utilities Company	1921-1929
4	7	Annual Report of the Illinois Northern Utilities Company	1930-1939
4	8	Indenture - Illinois Northern Utilities Company	1944
4	9	By-laws of the Western United Gas and Electric Company	1937
4	10	Income and expense Reports - Western United Gas and Electric Co.	1907-1927
4	11	Income and Expense Reports - Western United Corporation	1922-1925
4	12	Annual Report - Western United Corporation	1925
4	13	Annual Report - Western United Corporation/Western United Gas and Electric Company	1928-1937