

Title: Fire Insurance Patrol (Chicago) Collection, 1915-1955

Storage: Box Lot (2 boxes, 11 x 14 in.)

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Description of the Collection

Summary: Visual materials of the Fire Insurance Patrol (1871-1959) which was organized, supported and employees paid by the Chicago Board of Underwriters. Their purpose was to protect and save life and property in or next to burning buildings and to remove and take charge of such property. The Patrol were not firemen and did not have any relationship to the Chicago Fire Department. Subjects include demonstrations of their methods of preserving property, group and individual portraits of members of the patrols, patrol buildings, and the Eastland disaster (1915).

Container List

Box 1

- 1 Fire Insurance Patrol 1, 2--floor plan, 1927
- 2 Fire Insurance Patrol 1
- 3 Fire Insurance Patrol 2
- 4 Fire Insurance Patrol 3
- 5 Fire Insurance Patrol 4
- 6 Fire Insurance Patrol 5
- 7 Fire Insurance Patrol 6, 7
- 8 Fire Insurance Patrol 8, 9
- 9 Lieutenant's examination, 1925
- 10 Construction of fire patrol building, 1927
- 11 Vehicles
- 12 Cincinnati (Ohio) Salvage Corps
- 13 New York Fire Insurance Patrol

Box 2

- 1 Alarm equipment
- 2 Fire damage
- 3 "Why Stock Should Be Skidded," 1928, Fire
- 4 Business merchandise saved by Fire Insurance Patrol
- 5 Procedures for covering items & jettison methods
- 6 Procedures for temporary roof
- 7 Equipment & procedures--demonstration
- 8 Drill School
- 9 Parades
- 10 Fire Prevention Show, 1927, 1945, 1947
- 11 Fire Show, Soldier Field
- 12 Demonstrations for children
- 13 Misc: funeral, equipment, plaque, staff, dorm interior
- 14 Eastland disaster, 1915
- 15 Fire Insurance Patrol, drawings