# Table of Contents

Collection Overview ................................................................. 3  
Requesting Instructions ............................................................... 3  
Administrative Information ........................................................... 3  
  Immediate Source of Acquisition .................................................. 3  
  Conditions Governing Access ...................................................... 4  
  Conditions Governing Use .......................................................... 4  
  Preferred Citation ........................................................................ 4  
  Other Finding Aids ....................................................................... 4  
Scope and Contents ........................................................................ 4  
Collection Contents ........................................................................ 5  
  Inventory ..................................................................................... 5  
Selected Search Terms ..................................................................... 6
Collection Overview

REPOSITORY: Manuscripts and Archives
Yale University Library
P.O. Box 208240
New Haven, CT 06520-8240
mssa.assist@yale.edu
http://www.library.yale.edu/mssa/

CALL NUMBER: MS 517

CREATOR: United States. Railroad Securities Commission

TITLE: United States Railroad Securities Commission papers

DATES: 1890–1914

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 4 linear feet (4 boxes)

LANGUAGE: English

SUMMARY: Correspondence, testimony, legal briefs, published reports and studies, and other papers used by William E.S. Griswold, secretary of the Railroad Securities Commission, for an investigation of the railroads’ issuance of stocks and bonds, 1910-1911. Includes “Proceedings of the investigation” (3 vols.). Correspondents include Louis D. Brandeis, Charles G. Dawes, Stuyvesant Fish, James Jerome Hill, Walker Downer Hines, Robert Scott Lovett, Samuel Rea, Jacob Henry Schiff, Paul Moritz Warburg, and George Woodward Wickersham.

ONLINE FINDING AID: To cite or bookmark this finding aid, please use the following link: http://hdl.handle.net/10079/fa/mssa.ms.0517

Requesting Instructions
To request items from this collection for use in the Manuscripts and Archives reading room, please use the request links in the HTML version of this finding aid, available at http://hdl.handle.net/10079/fa/mssa.ms.0517.

To order reproductions from this collection, please go to http://www.library.yale.edu/mssa/ifr_copy_order.html. The information you will need to submit an order includes: the collection call number, collection title, series or accession number, box number, and folder number or name.

Key to the container abbreviations used in the PDF finding aid:
b. box

Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Conditions Governing Access
The materials are open for research.

Conditions Governing Use
Copyright status for collection materials is unknown. Transmission or reproduction of materials protected by U.S. Copyright Law (Title 17, U.S.C.) beyond that allowed by fair use requires the written permission of the copyright owners. Works not in the public domain cannot be commercially exploited without permission of the copyright owners. Responsibility for any use rests exclusively with the user.

Preferred Citation
United State Railroad Securities Commission Papers (MS 517). Manuscripts and Archives, Yale University Library.

Other Finding Aids
Additional information not yet available in the online version of the finding aid exists in the repository. Contact Manuscripts and Archives for assistance.

Scope and Contents
The U.S. Railroad Securities Commission Papers extend from 1890 to 1914, although the bulk of the material falls within the two years, 1910 and 1911.

The collection deals with the investigation, in 1910, of questions pertaining to the issuance of stocks and bonds by railroad corporations. Included in the material is the correspondence of the Commission, assorted documents collected for its use, and the bound testimony of its public hearings.

The collection consists of 4 containers, holding approximately 2000 items, and three bound volumes.
## Collection Contents

### Inventory

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Container</th>
<th>Description</th>
<th>Date</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>b.1</td>
<td>Correspondence</td>
<td>1910 March 14–1911 March 1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b.2</td>
<td>Correspondence</td>
<td>1911 March 2–1914 December</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b.2</td>
<td><em>Proceedings of Investigation</em> (3 volumes)</td>
<td>1910–1911</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b.3</td>
<td>U.S. Congress, Acts and Bills regarding Railroads</td>
<td>1890–1910</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b.3</td>
<td>Investigations of Interstate Commerce Commission regarding Railroads</td>
<td>1890–1910</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b.3</td>
<td>Bibliographical Information used by Commission</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b.3</td>
<td>Correspondence</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b.3</td>
<td>Letters to Railroad Securities Commission</td>
<td>1911</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b.3</td>
<td>Bound volume of letters</td>
<td>1910 February 25–1911 October 17</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b.3</td>
<td>Some published reports bound with letters</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Correspondents list available in repository. Contact MSSA for assistance.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Manuscripts</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b.3</td>
<td>&quot;Constitutional and Statutory Provisions of the several states and territories and of Canada in regard to Securities of Railroad Corporations&quot;. Typed MS., bound.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b.3</td>
<td>U.S. Railroad Securities Commission. Information concerning preferred stock of leading railroads*. Typed MS (34 pp.)</td>
<td>1911</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b.3</td>
<td>&quot;Listing of State, P[ublic] S[ervice] Commissions and Capitalization&quot;. Holograph and Typed MS, bound (15 pp.)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b.3</td>
<td>&quot;Compilation of court cases, citing abstracts of court decisions, extracts and statements of people used by Securities Commission&quot;. Typed MS (157 pp.)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Published material</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b.3</td>
<td><em>Reference to State Laws in regard to Securities of Railroad Corporations.</em> Annotated working copy (52 pp.) [2 copies]</td>
<td>1911</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b.4</td>
<td>Printed Material regarding State Railroad Laws</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b.4</td>
<td>Speeches and Writings re Railroad Capitalization and Federal Regulation. Index available in repository. Contact MSSA for assistance.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b.4</td>
<td>Miscellaneous Data used by Commission</td>
<td>1905–1910</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b.4</td>
<td>Miscellaneous Charts regarding Railroad Revenues and Securities</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Selected Search Terms
The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library’s online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

Subjects
Business
Industrial development bonds
Railroads -- Finance
Tender offers (Securities)

Names
Griswold, William Edward Schenck, 1872-1964
Schiff, Jacob H. (Jacob Henry), 1847-1920
Warburg, Paul M. (Paul Moritz), 1868-1932
Wickersham, George W. (George Woodward), 1858-1936

Corporate Body
United States. Railroad Securities Commission