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Summary Information

Repository:	Michigan Technological University Archives and Copper Country Historical Collections
Title:	Historic Transportation Timetables Collection
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Date:	circa 1911-circa 1933
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Abstract:	Collection, circa 1911-1933, of historic timetables from various forms of mass transportation in Michigan.

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Historical Note

While the Historic Transportation Timetables Collection includes items from many companies, of greatest interest to those focused on transportation in the Copper Country may be the collection's materials pertaining to the Duluth, South Shore & Atlantic Railway (DSS&A). The DSS&A was formed in 1887 from the foundation laid by several earlier railroad companies, including the Mineral Range Railroad, which began its life in Hancock in 1873. By 1929, its routes spanned the Upper Peninsula and, on its own track or through connections, permitted passengers to voyage to such cities as Chicago and Minneapolis. The rail line struggled to turn a profit under the subsequent ownership of Canadian Pacific Railway and eventually merged with another Canadian Pacific subsidiary, the Soo Line.

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Collection Scope and Content Summary

Collection, circa 1911-1933, of ten historic timetables from various forms of mass transportation in Michigan. The majority of the materials were produced by railroad companies whose routes traversed some portion of Michigan, such as the Duluth, South Shore & Atlantic Railway, whose Mineral Range Railroad operated extensively in the Upper Peninsula. Steamboat companies conducted leisure tours of the Great Lakes and bus lines attempting to establish themselves as modern travel options are also represented in this assembled collection. While all of the documents include elements of a schedule, several also incorporate extensive advertisements for leading hotels and attractions, allowing the researcher a deeper look into the logistics and experiences of Michigan travel in the early 20th century.

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Controlled Access Headings

- Brochures
- Schedules (Time plans)
- Advertisements
- Michigan -- Description and travel
- Travel
- Steamboats -- Michigan -- Huron, Lake
- Bus lines -- Michigan -- Upper Peninsula
- Railroads -- Michigan -- Upper Peninsula
- Transportation

Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Instances
Duluth, South Shore & Atlantic Railway/Mineral Range Railroad timetables, 1929	
"Michigan: The Playground of a Nation" Official Motorbus Guide, Eastern Michigan Motorbuses, 1932	
Official Motor Coach Guide to Michigan, Eastern Michigan Motorbuses, 1930	
Duluth, South Shore & Atlantic Railway/Mineral Range Railroad timetables, 1931	
Michigan Central Railroad "Summer in Michigan" timetables and advertisements, 1932	
Michigan Central Railroad "Niagara Falls Route" timetables and advertisements, 1932	
Union Pacific Chicago and North Western Line timetables, 1911	
Detroit & Cleveland Navigation Company Lake Tours timetables, 1932	
The Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway to Puget Sound timetables, 1923	
White Star Navigation Company summer schedule, 1930	