Clare County

Originally laid off in 1840 as Kaykakee County, Clare County was later officially organized in 1871. The county coordinates are Range 3W-6W and Township 17N-20N. Adjacent counties include Roscommon (northeast), Gladwin (east), Midland (southeast), Isabella (south), Mecosta (southwest), Osceola (west), and Missaukee (northwest).

Here is a listing of original source records available at the Archives for Clare County, including the years of coverage and the Record Group number. Finding aids available in the Archives, arranged by RG, give a more itemized listing of each collection.

**Businesses**
- Articles of association: 1872-1973, RG 99-79
- Equipment marks: 1929; 1938, RG 99-78
- Livestock brands: 1901-1954, RG 99-78
- Log marks: 1890-1906, RG 99-78

**Cemeteries**
- Clare County files: 1967-1979, RG 83-53

**Military**
- Burial register of soldiers: 1927-1931, RG 99-78
- GAR post records: 1876-1945, RG 63-19

*Clare County GAR posts: 221 (Clare & Harrison), 339 (Clare), 386 (Farwell)*
*See also Guide No. 4: War Records, Guide No. 7: Post-War Records, Guide No. 4c: Spanish American War, and Guide No. 4d: World War I*

**Naturalization**
- Application for admission to citizenship: 1907-1931, RG 99-77
Applications to take oath 1941-1955 RG 99-77
Certificate of arrival requests 1914-1920 RG 99-77
Certificate stubs 1917-1926 RG 99-77
Declarations of Intention 1871-1928 RG 99-77
Loyalty certificates 1944-1945 RG 99-77
Petition and record 1879-1965 RG 99-77

**Occupations**

Dentistry board licenses revoked 1942 RG 99-78
Drugless healers 1914-1935 RG 99-78
Medical board of registration & licensure 1913-1952 RG 99-78
Medical practitioner's sworn statements 1883-1899 RG 99-78
Optometrists board register 1910-1953 RG 99-78
Professional register 1900-1982 RG 99-78

**Political records**

Statement of nomination & election expenses 1914-1916 RG 53-4

**Prison records**

*See Guide No. 3: Correctional Facilities Records*

**Vital records**

*See Guide No. 19: Vital Records*

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