



# Secretary to the Board of Commissioners

Cook County Board of Commissioners  
Legislative Unit  
County Historic Archives and Records Office



## **Legislative Unit**

- Due to Covid-19, Converted all County and FPD to completely virtual, using Teams and live stream vendor Granicus.
- Purchased new HD cameras for Commissioners to improve quality of audio and video record.
- Helped 35 public bodies created by the Board of Commissioners meet notice requirements. Made recommendations on live streaming solutions for bodies which
- This is on top of 40 County and FPD Boards and committees.

## Archives Office (CARO)



- Hired Skyla Hearn, formerly from DuSable Museum, to be the County's first-ever Manager of Archives.
- Received first major donation from the Office of the President, which is the first installment of archival materials from President Preckwinkle.
- Working to acquire archival materials: Real Estate/Asset Management, the Cook County Health and Hospital System, Capital Management, Clerk of the Circuit Court
- Flag Contest deadline for submissions was November 1 for the Flag 2021 competition, which received approximately 300 submissions county-wide
- CARO participated in local and National Archives Month programs in New York, University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago History Museum and the University of Chicago; and guest lectured in graduate courses in the Museum and Exhibition Studies program at UIC
- Introducing the Historic Records and Archives Ordinance to the County Board in November.

# Cook County Hospital

The original buildings at the West  
Side location



Site Visit to Old  
Cook County  
Hospital Museum



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# Dorothy Brown

Clerk of the Circuit Court

Celebrating 20 Years of Service to  
the Citizens of Cook County



## Flag 2021

Raising of the current flag 1961



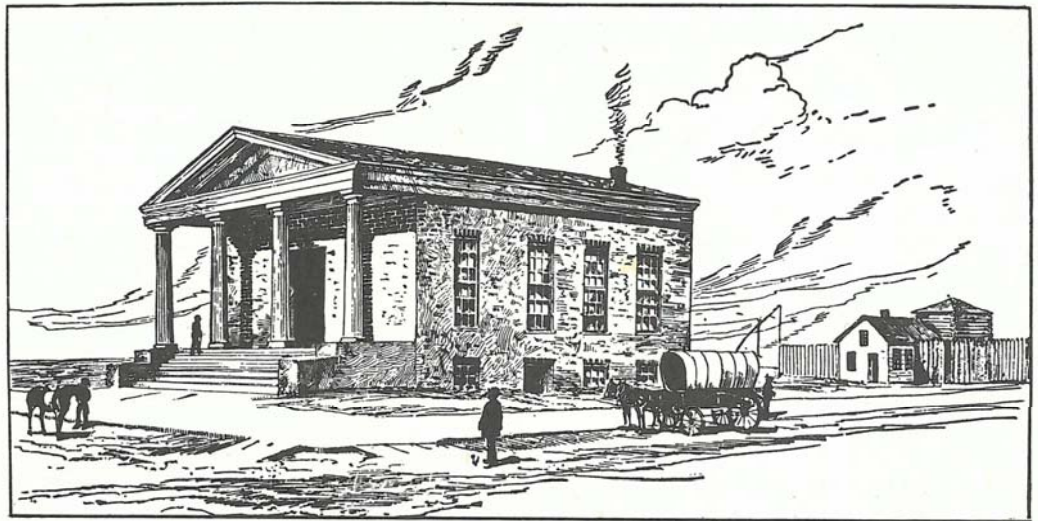
## Packets sent to schools

Over 500 letters from  
commissioners and President to  
educational institutions before  
COVID



# First Cook County Building

Alms House at Rear



# Lincoln in State

Lays in state in the County Building  
Rotunda



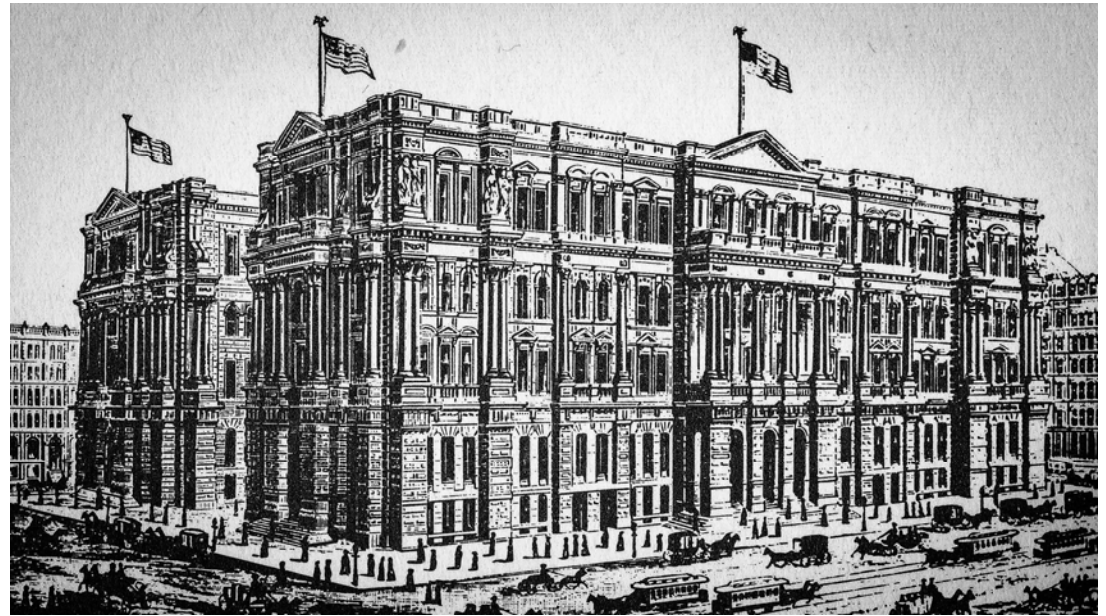
# The Great Fire

County Building/City Hall



## New Cook County Building after the Fire

Settling and a gas explosion would  
lead to a new building



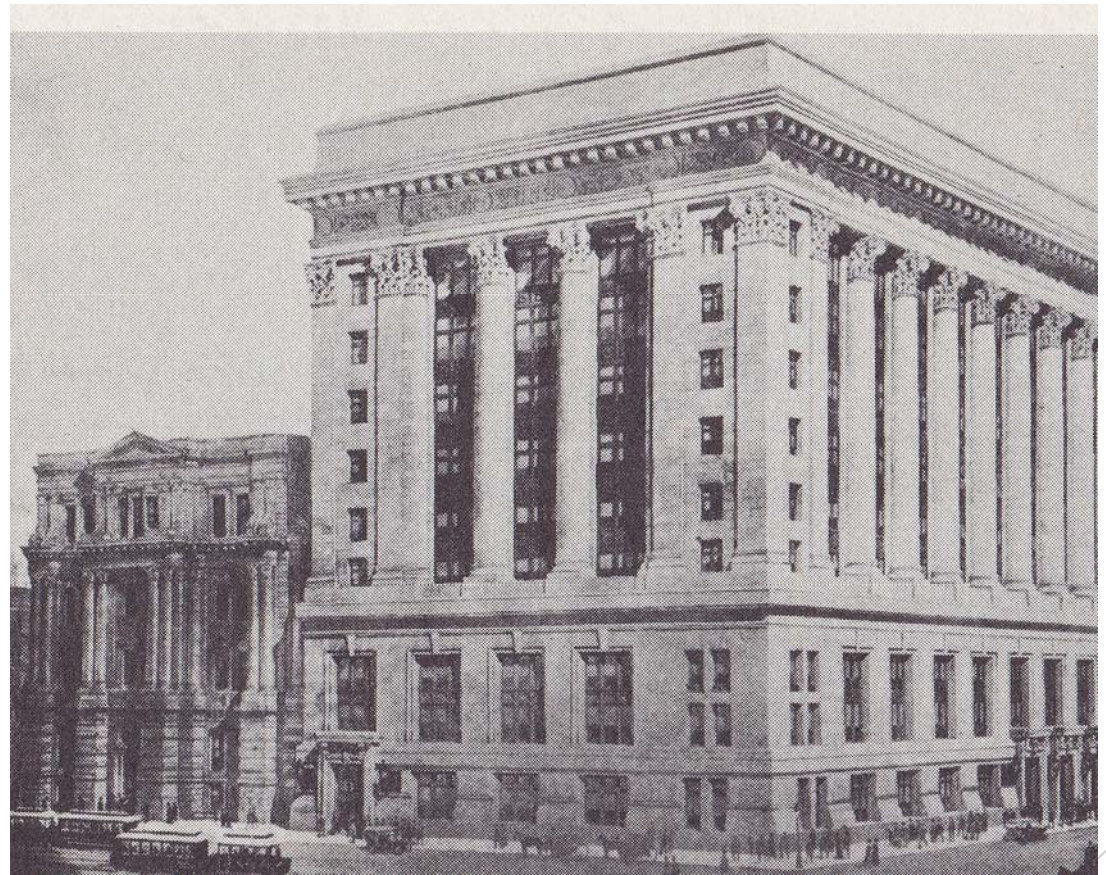
# Laying of the Cornerstone

Corner of Clark and Randolph 1906



# Cook County Building 1907

County is first



# Cook County Poor Farm

Moving from Northwest side of city  
1910

