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Abstract: Papers relating primarily to Eggleston's interests in single tax, direct legislation and other political and economic reform movements. Included are letters written to him and by him; manuscripts of his articles, essays and speeches; notes; reprints of his articles, pamphlets collected by him, clippings, and other materials.

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Scope and Content
Although William Green Eggleston studied medicine and earned a medical degree, he spent most of his life writing, first editing medical journals and later engaging in newspaper work in Illinois and in Montana. About 1913 he moved to California, settling in Oakland. He served, for a time, as editor of the Star, published in San Francisco by James H. Barry, and also devoted considerable time, as an independent editorial writer, to his interests in single tax, home rule taxation, direct legislation, and other political and economic reforms.

His papers, which relate primarily to these interests, were given to the Bancroft Library by his widow in December 1959. Covering the period 1891 to 1937, they consist of letters written to him and by him; manuscripts of his essays, speeches and articles; notes; reprints of his articles, pamphlets collected by him, and clippings. Two volumes of the newspaper known as The Press (Helena, Montana, 1902-1904), of which Eggleston was editor, were removed for separate cataloging. Mrs. Eggleston also gave the papers of her son, Arthur, to the library at the same time. They comprise the collection C-B 475.

Box 1
Letters written to Eggleston.
Arranged alphabetically by name of person or organization, with a miscellany of single letters at the beginning and a folder of unidentified letters at the end. A list of the more important correspondents follows the Key.

Box 2
Letters written by him, 1891-1936.
Arranged chronologically. Letters for the period 1891-1913 are originals, written to his wife and family. Most of the letters thereafter are drafts or carbons, addressed to friends, relatives and associates in various reform movements. Undated and incomplete letters are at the end of the file.

Box 3
Eggleston-Stokes family correspondence.
Letters written to Eggleston by his wife, Blanche (Stokes) Eggleston; his sons, Arthur, Richard and William; his niece, Elizabeth; his brother, Joseph; his father and his mother-in-law; and miscellaneous correspondence of various members of the two families.

Carton 1
Manuscripts of Eggleston's essays, speeches and articles.
Notes.
Material relating to the Oakland Public Library.
Reports, memoranda, etc., collected while serving as a Board member.

Carton 2 & 3
Pamphlets, reprints, clippings, etc. (unsorted)

Carton 4 & 5
Clippings (unsorted)

Correspondence Miscellany (single letters)
Burbank, Luther, 1849-1926
Letter, Mar. 15, 1922.
Carter, Thomas Henry, 1854-1911
Letter, Apr. 13, 1906.
Dixon, Joseph Moore, 1867-1934
Letter, Feb. 15, 1907.
Hichborn, Franklin, 1869-
Letter, Apr. 16, 1936.
Kent, William, 1864-1928
Letter, Dec. 12, 1907.
Walsh, Thomas James, 1859-1933
Letter, Sept. 24, 1931.
Barry, James Henry, 1856-1927
3 letters, 1910-1913. One is a copy, addressed to Daniel Kiefer.
Briggs, George A.
21 letters, 1924-1936 & n. d. Most of them relate to various reform movements.
Churchill, Winston, 1871-1947
2 letters, 1906-1915.
Deland, Margaret Wade (Campbell) 1857-1945
2 letters, 1906-1917.
Fels, Joseph, 1854-1914
2 letters, 1911-1913.
Fisher, Charles W.
2 letters, 1934-1936. Written while a member of the California Assembly.
Heney, Francis Joseph, 1859-1937
2 letters, 1908-1909. One is addressed to the Berkeley Charter Club; the other is a typed copy.
Kiefer, Daniel, 1856-1923
11 letters, 1908-1914. Some are copies.
La Follette, Robert Marion, 1855-1925
3 letters, 1904-1908.
Page, Walter Hines, 1855-1918
2 letters, 1910.
Phillips, David Graham, 1867-1911
2 letters, 1906.
Post, Alice Thacher [Mrs. Louis F. Post]
2 letters, 1910-1932.
Post, Louis Freeland, 1849-1928
10 letters, 1910-1927.
Ralston, Jackson Harvey, 1857-1945
17 letters, 1910-1936. One is a copy of a letter addressed to A. C. Pleydell.
Steffens, Lincoln, 1866-1936
2 letters, 1910. Typed copies, addressed to Daniel Kiefer.
U'Ren, William S.
5 letters, 1910-1916. Concerned primarily with reform movement in Oregon. Four are typed copies. Included also is a questionnaire on Oregon's initiative and referendum amendment completed by U'Ren.
White, John Zenas, 1854-
11 letters, 1909-1935.
Wilson, Woodrow, 1856-1924
2 letters, 1911-1913. One written while governor of New Jersey; one written for him while president by his secretary, Joseph P. Tumulty.