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Collection Summary

Collection Title: Julian Dana papers
Date (inclusive): circa 1930-1961
Collection Number: BANC MSS C-H 141
Creators: Dana, Julian, 1902-1961
Extent: Number of containers: 8 cartons, 2 boxes, 8 oversize boxes, 1 oversize folder(linear feet: 19)
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Abstract: The papers of Julian Dana, newspaperman, columnist, editor, and writer of popular stories and histories of California.

Languages Represented: Collection materials are in English

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Photographs transferred to the Pictorial Collections of The Bancroft Library (BANC PIC 1962.014-.015--PIC).

**Alternate Forms Available**
There are no alternate forms of this collection.

**Acquisition Information**
The Julian Dana papers were gifted to the Bancroft Library by the Estate of Julian Dana in 1962.

**Indexing Terms**
The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library’s online public access catalog.

Dana, Julian, 1902-1961--Archives
Ralston, William Chapman, 1826-1875
Westbrook, George Egerton Leigh
Sutter, John Augustus, 1803-1880.
Giannini, Amadeo Peter, 1870-1949
Bank of America
Transamerica Corporation
Authors, American--California--20th century
Banks and banking--West (U.S.)--History
California--History
San Francisco (Calif.)--History
Samoan Islands--History
Clippings
Diaries
Scrapbooks

**Accruals**
No additions are expected.

**Processing Information**
Processed by Lara Michels in 2013.

**Biographical Information**
Julian Dana (1902-1961) was a newspaperman, columnist, editor, and writer of popular stories and histories of California. He was editor of the Pony Express Courier (of Placerville), a magazine dedicated to Western Americana. His major publications included: A.P. Giannini: Giant in the West (1947); Gods who die; the story of Samoa’s greatest adventurer, as told to Julian Dana (1935); Lost springtime, the chronicle of a journey far away and long ago (1938); The man who built San Francisco; a study of Ralston's journey with banners (1936); The Sacramento, river of gold (1939); and Sutter of California; a biography (1934).

**Scope and Content of Collection**
Collection consists of correspondence dating from 1931 to 1961; files on Dana's writings, including notes and research materials for his major publications as well as files of manuscripts of assorted short stories and articles; notes, diaries and scrapbooks, some of which document the reception of Dana's books; and assorted other papers.

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**Series 1**: Correspondence. 1931-1961

Physical Description: carton 1-3; carton 4, folder 1-11

Arrangement

**Series 2**: Writings. 1931-1960

Physical Description: carton 4, folder 12-23; carton 5; carton 6, folder 1-20; oversize folder 1
Carton 4, Folder 12-20, Oversize-Folder 1
Research files for God’s who die: the story of Somoa’s greatest adventurer, circa 1930-1935
Scope and Content Note
Files of notes and correspondence, including a substantial quantity of correspondence from George Egerton Leigh Westbrook to Julian Dana.

Carton 4, Folder 21-24
Carton 5, Folder 1-3
Carton 8, Oversize-Folder 1
Carton 5, Folder 4-5, Oversize-Folder 1
Carton 5, Folder 6-8
Carton 5, Folder 9-14
Carton 5, Folder 15
Carton 5, Folder 16
Carton 5, Folder 17
Carton 5, Folder 18
Carton 5, Folder 19
Carton 5, Folder 20-23, Carton 6, Folder 1-20
Research files for Sutter of California: a biography, circa 1930-1934
Research files for The man who built San Francisco; a study of Ralston’s journey with banners, circa 1930-1936
Research files for A.P. Giannini, giant in the West, circa 1930-1947
Research files and notes for The Sacramento, river of gold, circa 1930-1940
Drafts of History of Oakland (United California Bank booklet), 1961
Manuscripts and notes The Echo Never Dies (book on Samuel Gompers), circa 1930-1950
The Secret Places and Where the Mountains Guard the Future, undated
Mike Benedum article, undated
Manuscript of The Fabulous Americans, undated
Drafts of The Toughest Town on Earth’ Treasure, undated
Assorted short stories and miscellaneous manuscripts, circa 1930-1960

Series 3: Notebooks, Diaries, and Scrapbooks. 1931-1960
Physical Description: carton 6, folder 21-25; carton 7; box 2; oversize boxes 1-8
Carton 6, Folder 21-25
Carton 7, Folder 1
Carton 7, Folder 2
Oversize-Box 1, Oversize-Box 3, Oversize-Box 7, Oversize-Box 1, Oversize-Box 4, Oversize-Box 2, Oversize-Box 5, Oversize-Box 6, Oversize-Box 7, Oversize-Box 8, Box 2
Carton 7, Folder 3-9
Notes and notebooks, circa 1930-1960
Diaries, circa 1951-1953
Scrapbook on Bill Kyne, circa 1950-1960
Scrapbooks on Giannini book and banking, circa 1930-1940
Scrapbook on Sacramento River, circa 1930-1940
Scrapbook on World War II, circa 1939-1945
Scrapbook on Gods Who Die, circa 1935
Clippings scrapbooks on San Francisco, circa 1930-1945
Scrapbook on Lost Springtime book, 1938
Scrapbook on Ralston book, 1936
Scrapbook on Sutter book, 1934
Clippings scrapbooks, general current events, circa 1930-1945
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| Oversize-Box 1, Oversize-Box 2, Oversize-Box 4, Oversize-Box 5, Oversize-Box 6, Oversize-Box 7, Oversize-Box 8 | Clippings scrapbooks, general current events, circa 1930-1945 |

### Series 4: Assorted Papers. 1931-1960

| Carton 7, Folder 10-11 | Bookplates, undated |
| Carton 7, Folder 12 | Publicity, undated |
| Carton 7, Folder 13 | Deeds, personal documents of Lillian Mercer, undated |
| Carton 7, Folder 14 | Material on Sir Robert Holt, undated |
| Carton 7, Folder 15-18, Box 1, Oversize-Folder 1 | Miscellany, circa 1930-1960 |