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Collection Summary
Collection Title: A.L. Kroeber family photographs
Date (inclusive): circa 1870-1969
Date (bulk): 1910-1960
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Extent: 4 boxes (ca. 425 photographic prints, 133 negatives, 5 slides) and 4 albums (ca. 1128 items) : some color ; various sizes.14 digital objects (14 images)
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Languages Represented: Collection materials are in English

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Digital reproductions of selected images are available.

Related Material
Acquisition Information
Transferred from the A.L. Kroeber papers (BANC MSS C-B 925), and Kroeber family papers (BANC MSS 82/132 c).

Biographical Information
Alfred L. Kroeber was an Anthropologist at the University of California, Berkeley. He is best known for his work on native peoples of California and the American West. His first wife, Henriette Rothschild, died of tuberculosis in 1913. He married Theodora Kracaw Brown in 1926, with whom he had two children, Karl Kroeber and Ursula K. Le Guin. He also adopted Theodore Kroeber and Clifton B. Kroeber, two children from Theodora’s previous marriage. Alfred Kroeber died in Paris in 1960.

Scope and Content of Collection
This collection is primarily family photographs: portraits of Alfred Kroeber and Thoedora Kroeber (some are publicity photos), Alfred Kroeber’s relatives, and snapshots of Kroeber’s children and grandchildren. In addition, there are photos related to Alfred Kroeber’s professional career including photographs of colleagues, Juan Dolores, Ishi, Robert Spott, and other native peoples. There are some photos of trips to Peru, Mexico, Paris and US locations.

Oversize portraits Alfred L. Kroeber. circa 1940? BANC PIC 1978.128--B
Physical Description: 3 photographic prints
Scope and Content Note
Two of the portraits are duplicates.

Box 1 circa 1874-1960 BANC PIC 1978.128--PIC
Physical Description: circa 275 items
Scope and Content Note
Chiefly Kroeber family portraits and snapshots.

Alfred L. Kroeber. circa 1876-1960
Physical Description: 5 folders
Scope and Content Note
Includes portraits and snapshots.

box 1
Alfred L. Kroeber. circa 1907-1908 BANC PIC 1978.128--PIC  ark:/28722/bk0016t9s5p
Physical Description: 1 photographic print
Scope and Content Note
Portrait of Alfred Kroeber standing with hands in pockets, wearing a hat.
Additional Note
This material was selectively digitized from a larger resource or collection.

box 1
Alfred L. Kroeber lecturing. circa 1955 BANC PIC 1978.128--PIC  ark:/28722/bk0016t9s67
Physical Description: 1 photographic print
Additional Note
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Alfred L. Kroeber relatives. 1874-1932
Physical Description: 2 folders
Scope and Content Note
Includes portraits of Alfred’s father Florence Kroeber, mother Johanna Muller Kroeber, brother Edward and sister Elsbeth.
Henriette Rothschild Kroeber. circa 1901-1913
Physical Description: 1 folder
Scope and Content Note
Alfred’s first wife. Married in Alfred L. Kroeber in 1906, and died in 1913.

Theodora Kroeber. circa 1925-1960
Physical Description: 1 folder
Scope and Content Note
Includes portraits and snapshots.

Alfred and Theodora Kroeber. circa 1927-1960
Physical Description: 1 folder
Scope and Content Note
Includes portraits and snapshots.

Alfred and Theodora Kroeber sitting on steps of cabin. circa 1927
BANC PIC 1978.128--PIC ark:/28722/bk0016t9s7s
Physical Description: 1 photographic print
Additional Note
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Kroeber family. circa 1920s-1950s
Physical Description: 4 folders
Scope and Content Note
Includes Alfred; Theodora; children Theodore Kroeber, Clifton B. Kroeber, Karl Kroeber and Ursula K. Le Guin; and Alfred and Theodore’s grandchildren. Most are snapshots.

Ursula and Karl Kroeber holding cats Figaro and Nero. circa 1940
BANC PIC 1978.128--PIC ark:/28722/bk0016t9s8b
Physical Description: 1 photographic print
Additional Note
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Ursula K. Le Guin, bust length portrait. circa 1955
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Physical Description: 1 photographic print
Additional Note
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Box 2 circa 1870-1969 BANC PIC 1978.128--PIC
Physical Description: circa 150 items

Alfred L. Kroeber and colleagues. circa 1910s-1957
Physical Description: 1 folder
Scope and Content Note

Juan Dolores. circa 1930s, n.d.
Physical Description: 1 folder
**Ishi. circa 1911-1916**
Physical Description: 1 folder
Scope and Content Note
Includes 1 snapshot of Ishi making a fire.

**Alfred L. Kroeber and Ralph Moore (Yuki). circa 1930s**
Physical Description: 1 folder
Scope and Content Note
A group of snapshots (not all Kroeber or Moore) that were found together. It is unclear if they are all related.

**Robert Spott (Yurok). circa 1940-1953**
Physical Description: 1 folder
Scope and Content Note
Includes snapshots at Kishamish.

**Alfred L. Kroeber, Robert Spott and Erik Erikson. July 24, 1941**
BANC PIC 1978.128--PIC  ark:/28722/bk0016t9t0f
Physical Description: 1 photographic print
Scope and Content Note
At Kishamish.
Additional Note
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**Native Americans. circa 1870?-circa 1954**
Physical Description: 2 folders
Scope and Content Note
Photographic prints, postcards, photographs of lithographs and notes. Includes Mohave photograph collection, Pomo Indians and Parker Dam (found together).

**Portrait of Indian man. circa 1905?** BANC PIC 1978.128--PIC  ark:/28722/bk0016t9t10
Physical Description: 1 photographic print : cyanotype
Scope and Content Note
Number written verso: 15-1631.
Additional Note
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**Peru trips. 1926, 1942**
Physical Description: 1 folder

**Alfred L. Kroeber at Miller Mound, Colusa County, California. July 1936**
Physical Description: 1 folder

**Alfred L. Kroeber at Miller Mound, Colusa County, California. July 1936**
BANC PIC 1978.128--PIC
Physical Description: 1 photographic print
Additional Note
Photo by Robert F. Heizer.

**Puebla group portrait. August 15, 1939**
Physical Description: 1 folder
Schloss Wartenstein trip. 1960
Physical Description: 1 folder

Paris trip. 1960
Physical Description: 1 folder
Scope and Content Note
Photographs taken just before Alfred L. Kroeber’s death.

Kishamish (Kroeber summer home in Napa Valley). ca. 1930s-1969
Physical Description: 1 folder
Scope and Content Note
Some might not be Kishamish.

Family and friends (unidentified). circa 1910-1955
Physical Description: 1 folder

Miscellany. circa 1870?-1954
Physical Description: 1 folder
Scope and Content Note
Includes Kroeber family home on Sheepshead Bay, NY, and various landscapes.

Album 1 circa 1915-1931 BANC PIC 1978.128--ALB v.1
Physical Description: circa 350 items
Scope and Content Note
Snapshots of Kroeber children, some of Theodora’s friends, and postcards of Peru.

Physical Description: 1 photographic print
Additional Note
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Album 2 circa 1916-1930 BANC PIC 1978.128--ALB v.2
Physical Description: circa 325 items
Scope and Content Note
Snapshots of Kroeber children, Kracaw family, and Theodora’s college years. Locations include Kishamish, Orland, Santa Cruz, Berkeley (all California) and Colorado.

Album 3, Through Europe with Baedeker and Bidet June-September 1951
BANC PIC 1978.128--ALB v.3
Physical Description: 78 items
Scope and Content Note
An annotated album of snapshots taken by Ursula K. Le Guin and her husband Charles Le Guin during their trip to Europe.

Album 4 circa 1932-1938 BANC PIC 1978.128--ALB v.4
Physical Description: circa 375 items
Scope and Content Note
Snapshots of Kroeber children, family and friends at the Kroeber home on Arch Street in Berkeley, at Kishamish in Napa Valley, and on vacation elsewhere. Includes Robert Spott, Juan Dolores, Lewis Gannett, Ruth Chrisman Gannett, Jean Walker Macfarlane, Robert Harry Lowie.
"Ursula '32," album page. **1932** BANC PIC 1978.128--ALB v.4

Scope and Content Note
Ursula K. Le Guin as a toddler.

Additional Note
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Album page with Ursula Kroeber Le Guin; Karl, Theodore and Clif Kroeber. **1932**

BANC PIC 1978.128--ALB v.4

Additional Note
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Robert Spott. **Spring 1933** BANC PIC 1978.128--ALB v.4

Physical Description: 1 photographic print

Additional Note
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Album page with 9 images. circa **1935** BANC PIC 1978.128--ALB v.4

Scope and Content Note
Includes Juan Dolores in a headdress he made, Theodora Kroeber, Theodore Kroeber, Clif Kroeber, Karl Kroeber and Ursula Kroeber Le Guin.

Additional Note
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Ursula Kroeber Le Guin reading a book. **1937?** BANC PIC 1978.128--ALB v.4

Physical Description: 1 photographic print

[Unidentified girl, possibly from Theodora Kracaw Kroeber's family.] circa **1855** BANC PIC 1978.128--CASE

Physical Description: 1 photograph: ambrotype; half plate, visible image 11.5 x 8.8 cm.

Additional Note
Digital image included in online Guide to the Cased Photographs and Related Images from The Bancroft Library Pictorial Collections. http://content.cdlib.org/ark:/13030/tf7870062/

Negative box 1 BANC PIC 1978.128--NEG

Physical Description: 76 negatives (1 glass, 75 film)

Scope and Content Note
Negatives arranged by the following subjects: Alfred L. Kroeber, Theodora Kroeber, Alfred and Theodora, colleagues, Native Americans, Miscellany. Some have matching prints shelved as ALB or PIC.

Negative box 2 BANC PIC 1978.128--NNEG

Physical Description: 57 negatives

Scope and Content Note
Film negatives arranged by the following subjects: Alfred L. Kroeber, Theodora Kroeber, Kroeber family, Kishamish, miscellany. Some have matching prints shelved as PIC.