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Collection Title: Herman George Scheffauer Photograph Album,
Date: ca. 1885-ca. 1925
Collection Number: BANC PIC 1984.019 -- fALB
Creator: Scheffauer, Herman George, 1878-1927
Extent: 1 album (131 photographic prints, various sizes, many bound); 38 x 27 cm.68 digital objects
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Languages Represented: English

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Title: Herman George Scheffauer Papers, 1895-1927
Identifier/Call Number: BANC MSS 84/22 c

Title: Herman George Scheffauer Papers, 1893-1926
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Acquisition Information
The Herman George Scheffauer Photograph Album was transferred from the Herman George Scheffauer Papers, 1895-1927, BANC MSS 84/22 c.

Biography
Herman George Scheffauer was born in San Francisco, California in 1878. A poet and playwright of local importance, he was a protégé of Ambrose Bierce and was associated with George Sterling and other Bohemian Grove writers and artists. He married the English poet Ethel Talbot, with whom he had a daughter, Fiona. In 1910, Scheffauer moved to Germany to become a translator and journalist. He committed suicide in 1927.

Scheffauer's published poetry and drama includes Of Both Worlds (1903), Looms of Life (1908), The Sons of Baldur (1908), Drake in California (1912), The Hollow Head of Mars (1915), and The Infant in the News-Sheet (1921). His published translations from the German, many of them posthumous, include Atta Troll (1913), by Heinrich Heine; Bashan and I (1923), Children and Fools (1928), Early Sorrow (1930), and A Man and His Dog (1930), all by Thomas Mann; Gas (1924), by Georg Kaiser; and Peter the Czar (1925), by Klabund.

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The album appears to have been compiled by an unidentified niece or nephew of Scheffauer, as such captions as "Uncle Herman" and "Aunt Ethel" would indicate.

The album also contains one etching--a portrait of Scheffauer by William Walker.

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:B1 [Boyhood portrait of Herman George Scheffauer.]
:B2 [Portrait of Herman George Scheffauer. Photograph by Coover and Rasmussen.]
:B3 [Herman George Scheffauer and unidentified man, in architect's studio. Photograph by Heywood and Towers.]
:B4-7 [Portrait series of Herman George Scheffauer, mounted on single piece of board.]
:B8 [Portrait of Herman George Scheffauer. Photograph by J.W. Baker.]
:B9-12 [Portrait series of Herman George Scheffauer, mounted on single sheet of paper.]
:B13 [Portrait of Herman George Scheffauer.]
:B14 [Herman George Scheffauer in sailor attire.]
:15 [Portrait of Herman George Scheffauer.] ark:/13030/tf3199n9wr
:16 [Portrait of Herman George Scheffauer.]
:17 [Portrait of Herman George Scheffauer.]
:18 [Portrait of Herman George Scheffauer.]
:19 [Herman George Scheffauer at desk.]
:20 Printing from glass negative in darkroom. [Herman George Scheffauer.] ark:/13030/tf7779n9db
:21 [Herman George Scheffauer at desk.]
:22 Maybeck Lodge, Bohemian Grove. [Herman George Scheffauer posing by fireplace.] ark:/13030/tf9g501194
:23 Uncle Herman [i.e. Herman George Scheffauer]. Ambrose Bierce. ark:/13030/tf67nb305
:24 [Herman George Scheffauer with unidentified woman.] ark:/13030/tf7q2nb6c4
:25 [Herman George Scheffauer on bicycle.] ark:/13030/tf9q2nb7gs
:26 U. Herman. [i.e. Herman George Scheffauer, with unidentified persons.] ark:/13030/tf1r29n91s
:27 [Herman George Scheffauer in classroom, with unidentified teachers and pupils.]
:28 [Herman George Scheffauer posing against tree.]
:29 [Herman George Scheffauer outside of school building, with unidentified teachers and pupils.]
:30 [Herman George] Scheffauer with his view camera. [On unidentified vessel.] ark:/13030/tf7779n9w2
:31 [Herman George Scheffauer, right, and unidentified man.]
:32 [Herman George Scheffauer, left, with unidentified persons.]
:33 [Herman George Scheffauer, right, with unidentified man.]
:34 Herman [George Scheffauer, left], A. [i.e. Ambrose] Bierce [right] & ? ark:/13030/tf0b69n81c
:35 Herman [George Scheffauer, left], A. [i.e. Ambrose] Bierce [right] & ? ark:/13030/tf52900765
:36 Both pictures Uncle Herman [George Scheffauer] and Ambrose Bierce. ark:/13030/tf6w10098q
:37 Both pictures Uncle Herman [George Scheffauer] and Ambrose Bierce. ark:/13030/tf3c600750
:38 Probably Santa Cruz Mtns. or Los Gatos. [Herman George Scheffauer, center, with unidentified women and dog.]
:39 Probably Santa Cruz Mtns. or Los Gatos. [Herman George Scheffauer, third from right; Ambrose Bierce, second from right.] ark:/13030/tf4s2007v8
:40 [Herman George Scheffauer, left, fencing with unidentified man before crowd.] ark:/13030/tf3f59n9b3
:41 [Herman George Scheffauer with unidentified woman.]
:42 [Herman George Scheffauer] & ? ark:/13030/tf9q2nb7h9
:43 G. [i.e. George] Sterling? Herman [George Scheffauer]. ark:/13030/tf2r29p0gx
:44 [Herman George Scheffauer, right, with unidentified men.]
:45 [Herman George Scheffauer]. A. [i.e. Ambrose] Bierce?, G. [i.e. George] Sterling. ark:/13030/tf209nb2gm
:46 [Herman George Scheffauer, seated center, with cap; George Sterling, seated, fifth from right.] ark:/13030/tf7f59p3bw
:47 [Man in suit with nude men, beside pond. Herman George Scheffauer, second from left.] ark:/13030/tf4m3nb4m6
:48 Herman [George Scheffauer]. A. [i.e. Ambrose] Bierce. ark:/13030/tf7q2nb6dn
:49 [Herman George Scheffauer climbing rocks.] ark:/13030/tf5c6008dq
:50 [Herman George Scheffauer, left, with unidentified man with gun.] ark:/13030/tf448p12w
:51 Uncle Herman [George Scheffauer] & ? ark:/13030/tf3779n9kk
:52 [Herman George Scheffauer, seated in front, with unidentified persons.]
:53 [Herman George Scheffauer in canoe. With Ethel Talbot Scheffauer?] ark:/13030/tf709nb5xb
Container Listing

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54 [Herman George Scheffauer posing beside unidentified statue.]
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55 [Herman George Scheffauer with unidentified woman.]
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56 [Herman George Scheffauer on snowy road.]

57 [Herman George Scheffauer and Ethel Talbot Scheffauer in horse-drawn sleigh.]
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58 [Lacking.]

59 [Herman George Scheffauer, center, with unidentified women.]

60 [Herman George Scheffauer, right, with George Sterling. Bohemian Grove?]
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62 [Herman George Scheffauer, kneeling on step, with unidentified men.]

63 Los Gatos -- I think. Uncle Herman [George Scheffauer].

64 [Uncle Herman [George Scheffauer] directing Bohemian Club play at the Grove, "Sons of Baldur." 1908. [Photograph by Gabriel Moulin. No. 106.]
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65 The Sire and his assistants. From left to right. Haig Patigian, Camp Cartoonist; Ed. J. Duffey, Master of Lights; Frank Mathieu, Stage Director; Herman Scheffauer, Sire; Geo. Lyon, Master of Properties. Bohemian Grove. [Photograph by Gabriel Moulin.]
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66 Hopper [second from right]. [Herman George] Scheffauer [second from right]. Sterling [right]. [James Hopper, left?] Bohemian Grove. 1908. [Photograph by Gabriel Moulin. No. 59.]
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67 Bohemian Grove. 1908. [Herman George Scheffauer, second from left.]
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68 [Portrait of Herman George Scheffauer.] [Photograph by Arnold Genthe.]
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69 [Portrait of Herman George Scheffauer.] [Photograph by Arnold Genthe.]
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70 [Portrait of Herman George Scheffauer.] [Photograph by Arnold Genthe.]

71 [Portrait of Herman George Scheffauer.] [Photograph by Wiedhofft.]
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72 [Herman George Scheffauer, sitting on bench.]

73 Uncle Herman had violet eyes, chestnut brown hair. [Portrait of Herman George Scheffauer.]
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74 [Portrait of Herman George Scheffauer.]

75 [Portrait of Herman George Scheffauer.]
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76 [Portrait of Herman George Scheffauer.]
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77 [Portrait of Herman George Scheffauer. Etching by William Walker. Inscription: "To my friend Herman Scheffauer. William Walker. 1907."]
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78 [Herman George Scheffauer posing at desk.]

79 [Herman George Scheffauer posing at desk.]

80 Aunt Ethel & Uncle Herman [George Scheffauer].

81 [Portrait of Herman George Scheffauer. Duplicate of 82.]

82 [Portrait of Herman George Scheffauer. Duplicate of 81.]

83 [Caricature drawing of Herman George Scheffauer. By Gordon Couotts. Bohemian Grove.] [Photograph by Gabriel Moulin. No. 149. 1908.]
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84 [Portrait of Herman George Scheffauer.] [Photograph by Arnold Genthe.]
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85 [Portrait of Herman George Scheffauer.] [Photograph by Arnold Genthe.]
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86 [Portrait of Herman George Scheffauer.] [Photograph by Arnold Genthe.]
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87 Herman and Ethel Talbot Scheffauer.

88 [Herman George Scheffauer and unidentified woman.]

89 Uncle Herman [George Scheffauer] & ?

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- Portrait of Herman George Scheffauer. [Photograph by Adolph Langfier.]
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- Portrait of Herman George Scheffauer. [Photograph by G.O. Thorpe?]
- Photograph of sculptural portrait of Herman George Scheffauer by R. Laitken. 1904.
- Photograph of painted portrait of Herman George Scheffauer by unidentified artist.
- Photograph of sculptural portrait of Herman George Scheffauer by Bruno Louis Zimm. 1907.
- Photograph of Herman George Scheffauer posing on bridge. Unidentified location, Scotland.
- Photograph of Herman George Scheffauer posing with unidentified men.
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