Guide to the Chung Sai Yat Po Newspaper Collection

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Descriptive Summary

Title: *Chung sai yat po* newspaper collection,  
Date (inclusive): 1900-1904  
Collection number: AAS MICROFILM CA 20  
Extent: 14 microform reels, 1,460 online items  
Repository: University of California, Berkeley. The Ethnic Studies Library.  
Berkeley, California 94720-2360  
Abstract: *Chung Sai Yat Po* was published in San Francisco from Feb. 1900 to 1951. It has a long publishing history and almost all its issues survived.  
Physical Location: Microfilm reels for issues from 1900-1905 are housed at the Asian American Collection of the Ethnic Studies Library at UC Berkeley.  
Language: Chinese.

Access  
Collection is open for research.

Publication Rights  
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Preferred Citation  
Users may cite *Chung Sat Yat Po* newspaper issues directly.

Acquisition Information  
Source unknown.

Project Information: *Chung Sai Yat Po* Project  
In a pilot study sponsored by the Librarians Association of the University of California (LAUC), the investigators of this project, Kuei Chiu, Asian Studies, Humanities & Arts Bibliographer at the University of California Riverside Rivera Library, and Yulan Chou (a former librarian at UC Berkeley) discovered that *Chung Sai Yat Po* was the most important Chinese American newspaper in the US. It had a history of publication for over 50 years. With additional grants from LAUC and LAUC Riverside, the investigators digitized five years worth of *Chung Sai Yat Po*.  

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This project was made possible by two grants from LAUC and one grant from LAUC, Riverside Division.

Scope Content
On April 22, 1854, the *Golden Hills' News*, a Chinese weekly, published its first issue in San Francisco. Although it lasted only four months, this paper inaugurated the Chinese language press in the U.S. In the past 150 years, Chinese language newspapers have witnessed both the ups and downs of Chinese immigration to the U.S., and have also faithfully recorded the struggles and prosperity of Chinese immigrants in the U.S. In 1998, Kuei Chiu and Yulan Chou (a former librarian at UC Berkeley), did an extensive survey of Chinese newspapers published in the U.S. looking for representative titles for digitization, and identified *Chung Sai Yat Po* as the one to be digitized. *Chung Sai Yat Po* was published in San Francisco from Feb. 1900 to 1951. It has a long publishing history and almost all its issues survived.

Note Regarding Newspaper Titles:
*Chung Sai Yat Po* is in the masthead, and it is transliterated from Cantonese. *Zhong Xi Ri Bao* is Pinyin romanization, and *Chung Hsi Jih Pao* is Wade Giles romanization.

Related Collections
Microfilm reels for issues from 1906-1950 are housed at the East Asian Library at UC Berkeley. Please consult the library for more details.

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

Subjects
Chinese-American newspapers--California--San Francisco
Chinese Americans--Newspapers
Chinese--California--San Francisco--Newspapers
Chinese--United States--Newspapers
Chinese Americans--California--San Francisco--History
Chinese Americans--Social conditions--San Francisco
Chinese Americans--Legal status, laws, etc.--San Francisco
Chinese Americans--California--San Francisco--History
History
San Francisco (Calif.)

Genres and Forms of Material
Newspapers
Digitized images

Other Index Terms Related to this Collection
*Zhong Xi Ri Bao Chung Hsi Jih Pao*
*Chung Sai Yat Po* Project
California Cultures
Online Archive of California