Owen C. Coy Collection

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Descriptive Summary
Title: Owen C. Coy Collection
Dates: 1925-1950
Collection Number: GC 1003
Creator/Collector: Coy, Owen Cochran, 1884-1952
Extent: (Boxes: 157 legal, 12 letter, 7 record storage, 1 oversize)
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Abstract: The bulk of the collection consists of newspaper clippings arranged by county and by topic. Subjects covered include the Gold Rush, transportation and biographies. There are also many term papers written by Coy's students and arranged by subject.
Language of Material: English
Access
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Biography/Administrative History
Owen Cochran Coy (1884-1952) had a long career in the field of history. He taught at Eureka High School in Northern California (1909-1913). He served as the secretary and subsequently as director for the California Historical Survey Commission from 1915-1923. He was a professor of history at the University of Southern California from 1925-1950. Following the commission's administrative restructuring, he served as director of the California State Historical Association (CSHA) from 1923 to 1950. He served as a state technical director of the Historical Records Survey, W.P.A. in 1936. His publication work included editing Pictorial History of California and serving as editor for the CSHA serial publication, California History Nugget.
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