Orra Monnette Papers

1865-1996
Descriptive Summary

Title: Orra Monnette Papers
Dates: 1865-1996
Collection Number: GC 1276
Creator/Collector:
Extent: (Boxes: 30 boxes in legal; 12 letter)
Repository: Seaver Center for Western History Research, Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County
Abstract: The collection consists of 42 boxes (letter-size, legal-size, and oversize) of the personal papers, business records, and memorabilia belonging to Orra E. Monnette. 1865-1996, undated
Language of Material: English
Access
Research is by appointment only
Publication Rights
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Preferred Citation
Orra Monnette Papers. Seaver Center for Western History Research, Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County
Biography/Administrative History
Los Angeles banker, attorney and author (1873 - 1936).
Scope and Content of Collection
The collection consists of 42 boxes (letter-size, legal-size, and oversize) of the personal papers, business records, and memorabilia belonging to Orra E. Monnette. The collection also includes 40 published volumes—mainly Los Angeles and Southwest “Blue Books” dating between 1947 and 1996. Most of the materials consist of newspaper clippings, travel ephemera, correspondence, photographs, and other memorabilia which are glued onto notebook pages which were apparently part of a system of scrapbooks—some organized by subject, such as a European trip, others organized chronologically with mixed subjects. 1865-1996, undated. The papers have been re-housed in archival folders, but not fully processed as they were inventoried (and re-housed) only in the order in which they were taken out of the cardboard boxes. Series arrangement and re-labeling of folders still remain to be done before completing a full finding aid and the labeling of the boxes.