Shawn McAllister Edwin Markham Library

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Descriptive Summary

Title: Shawn McAllister Edwin Markham Library
Dates: 1899-1935
Collection Number: 2018-37
Creator/Collector: Markham, Edwin, 1852-1940
Extent: 1 linear foot (archival material)
Repository: History San Jose Research Library
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Abstract: Personal library of collector Shawn McAllister devoted to the works of poet Edwin Markham, comprising inscribed books and other publications, photographs, and a small collection of letters.

Language of Material: English

Access
The collection is open to the public by appointment with the Curator of the Research Library & Archives

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Acquisition Information
The collection was donated to History San Jose by Mr. McAllister in 2018, who had purchased items from multiple collectors over the course of many years.

Biography/Administrative History
American poet Charles Edward Anson Markham was born in Oregon City, Oregon, and graduated from San Jose State Normal School in 1872. He lived most of his later life in New York. He is most well-known for his poems "The Man with the Hoe," and "Lincoln, Man of the People."

Scope and Content of Collection
The bulk of the library consists of multiple copies of Markham's works, either signed or inscribed by the author. The archival material comprises approximately .25 linear feet of letters or notes from Markham to friends, colleagues, and autograph collectors, including Upton Sinclair, Seamus MacManus, and James Huneker. Approximately 12 press photographs, most of which appear to have originated from the Los Angeles Herald Examiner, are also included.

Indexing Terms
Poets, American
Sinclair, Upton, 1878-1968
MacManus, Seumas, 1869-1960
Huneker, James, 1857-1921
Markham, Anna Catherine, 1859-1938
Lwoff-Parlaghy, Vilma, Princess, 1863-1924
Staten Island (New York, N.Y.)
Brooklyn, New York, N.Y.
Los Angeles, Calif.
Kansas City, Mo.
letters (correspondence)
programs (documents)
clippings (information artifacts)
invitations
poems

Author
Inventory of the Shawn McAllister Library on Edwin Markham