William F. Mendenhall Papers

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Descriptive Summary

Title: William F. Mendenhall Papers
Dates: 1912-1979
Collection Number: 2009_03
Creator/Collector: Mendenhall, William F. (William Franklin), 1914-
Extent: 2 boxes.
Repository: Sherman Library and Gardens
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Abstract: The collection consists of published and unpublished materials related to the life, professional activities and interests of William F. Mendenhall. William F. Mendenhall was worked at the United States Naval Weapons Station in Seal Beach, California and served as a councilman and major for the city of Signal Hill, California.
Language of Material: English
Access
Collection is open for research.
Preferred Citation
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Biography/Administrative History
William Franklin Mendenhall was born January 15, 1914 in Greensboro, North Carolina. He worked at the United States Naval Weapons Station in Seal Beach, California. He was a councilman for the city of Signal Hill, California, for nine years and also served as mayor of Signal Hill from April 1963 to April 1964 and again from November 1972 to April 1973.

Scope and Content of Collection
The collection consists of correspondence, documents, photographs and published materials related to the life, professional activities and interests of William F. Mendenhall. Most of the materials in the collection are published materials, including newspaper articles, numerous brochures, reports and ephemera. Portions of the collection relate to his involvement with the governance of the city of Signal Hill, California, and various other cities, utilities and organizations in Southern California.

Indexing Terms
Signal Hill (California) – History – 20th century
Signal Hill (California) – Mayors – Archives.

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Box 1
Folder 1 Biographical materials 1969, n.d.
Folder 2 Correspondence 1925-1979, n.d.
Folder 3 Documents and reports 1973, n.d.
Folder 4 Maps 1912-1969
Folder 5 Photographs 1963-1979, n.d.
Folder 6 Publications (Folder 1 of 2) 1929-1979, n.d.
Folder 7 Publications (Folder 2 of 2) 1950-1973, n.d.
Box 2
Folder 2 Publications – Signal Hill (Folder 1 of 2) 1974
Folder 5 Ephemerata – Los Angeles Railway and Angels Flight tickets 1944, n.d.
Folder 6 Artifacts 1973, n.d.