Descriptive Summary

Title: Robert Horn Collection
Dates: 1905 - ca. 1980
Collection Number: 2019_02
Creator/Collector: Horn, Robert Goodlin (1896-1989)
Extent: 2 linear inches (29 b/w and 5 color photographs; 3 textual documents)
Repository: Sherman Library and Gardens
Corona del Mar, California 92625

Abstract: This collection includes photographs and documents reproduced from a scrapbook compiled by Robert G. Horn. The photographs include images of the family homes and surround areas in La Cañada and Corona del Mar. The collection also includes a copy of Robert Horn’s diploma from the California State Normal School, a floorplan for the Corona del Mar house, and a poem written about the house.

Language of Material: English

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Biography/Administrative History
Robert Goodlin Horn (1896-1989) was born in Ohio in 1896 to Harry and Hanna Horn. The Horn family moved to the La Cañada valley in Los Angeles County around 1905. Harry Horn worked as a ranch manager for John G. Bullock, founder of the Bullock’s department stores. Robert Horn graduated from Pasadena High School and then attended the California State Normal School in Los Angeles, receiving a degree in Manual Arts in 1915. Horn became a teacher at a school in Ojai, CA, where he met Gertrude B. McKinley. The couple married in 1922 and moved to Santa Ana, where Robert continued to teach. In 1944, Robert and Gertrude Horn moved to the Corona del Mar neighborhood of Newport Beach. They purchased a house at 358 Dahlia Place, which was built in 1914 as employee housing for the Del Mar Hotel (later renamed the Balboa Palisades Club and the Palisades Tavern). The Horns remodeled the home extensively over the course of many years. In 2019, the Horn family sold the house. At the time, 358 Dahlia Place and a neighboring house were probably the oldest extant structures in Corona del Mar.

Scope and Content of Collection
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Indexing Terms
Del Mar Hotel
Balboa Palisades Club
Palisades Tavern
Bullock, John G.
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Photographs

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