Finding aid of the Collection of historic photographs and documents related to Leslie C. Brand

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**Descriptive Summary**

**Title:** Collection of historic photographs and documents related to Leslie C. Brand

**Dates:** 1893-1994

**Bulk Dates:** 1910-1956

**Collection number:** Consult repository

**Collector:** Glendale Public Library (Glendale, Calif.)

**Repository:** Glendale Public Library

**Abstract:** Items were selected from the holdings of Glendale Public Library's Special Collections and files at Brand Library & Art Center. Of particular interest are photographs that depict Leslie C. Brand and his family while he was still living in El Miradero, images of the rooms within the mansion, and scenic views of the property. Leslie C. Brand was an early developer of business and banking, and became a major figure in the settlement and economic growth of Glendale and the area. The collection also includes photographs and documentation related to Mr. and Mrs. Brand's funeral, the Brand family cemetery, the Brand Lodge, Brand's 1921 fly-in party, his airfield and airplanes, his automobiles, and his camp in Mono Lake. The collection also incudes photographs of the Brand Library and Park that were created from his home and property deeded to the City of Glendale.

**Languages:** Languages represented in the collection: English

[http://content.cdlib.org/search?style=oac-img&sort=title&relation=ark:/13030/kt6n39q5wx](http://content.cdlib.org/search?style=oac-img&sort=title&relation=ark:/13030/kt6n39q5wx)

**Access**

Collection is open for research.

**Publication Rights**

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**Preferred Citation**

Collection of historic photographs and documents related to Leslie C. Brand. Glendale Public Library, Glendale, California.

**Acquisition Information**

Collected by Glendale Public Library staff and others, donors generally unknown.

**Project Information**

The photographs and printed documents from this collection were assembled from various photograph and local history collections in the Glendale Public Library's Special Collections room, and Brand Library's files.

The photographs and printed documents were digitized as part of the one-year grant supported California Local History Digital Resources Project (LHDRP) from July 2005 through June 2006. This is a multi-year program supported by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act, administered in California by the State Librarian. Leveraging the infrastructure of the California Digital Library (CDL) in partnership with Califa and Infopeople, the LHDRP explores a model to aggregate, preserve, and provide permanent public access to local history materials maintained by California cultural heritage institutions via a single statewide online access point. For more information, see the project website.

This virtual collection provides a single access point to a selection of primary photographic resources documenting the history of Leslie C. Brand and the Brand Library. More information about the project can be found on the library's website and available to the public through the California Digital Library's Online Archive of California website. Project activities included selection, conservation, photographic documentation, digitization, and cataloging for these selected photographs, postcards, printed documents and personal records. The items were selected from several notebooks in the Special Collections room including the following albums: Airport, Construction, Family, Grand Opening, Home, Library 1946-1968, Library 1969 to Date Exterior, Lodge, Park, and Slides. Additional items from Special Collections are those known as SC Oversized in the Source Item. The remaining items came from files housed at Brand Library, referred to as Brand Library files in the Source Item, and from 'Miradero, the country home of L.C. Brand' referred to as Miradero book in the Source Item.

**Scope and Content of Collection**
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**Indexing Terms**
The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection.

**Names and Places**
Brand Library
Brand, Leslie, C. (Leslie Coombs), 1859-1925 -- Homes and haunts
Brand, Mary Louise, 1871-1945
Glendale Public Library (Glendale, Calif.)
Brand Park (Glendale, Calif.)
Glendale (Calif.) -- History
Mono Lake (Calif.) -- History

**Topics**
Airports -- California -- Glendale
Architecture, Domestic -- California -- Glendale
Cemeteries -- California -- Glendale
Decoration and ornament -- Victorian style
Gates -- California -- Glendale
Historic buildings -- California -- Glendale
Interior decoration -- California -- Glendale
Lodges -- California -- Glendale
Mansions -- California -- Glendale
Palms -- California -- Glendale
Parks -- California -- Glendale
Parties -- California -- Glendale
Private planes -- California -- Glendale

**Genres and Forms of Materials**
Admission tickets
Aerial photographs
Books
Brochures
Checks (bank checks)
Christmas cards
Clippings
Manuscripts
Photographs
Postcards
Slides (photographs)