Finding aid to the R. W. Waterman papers, 1886-1924, undated, MS 4128

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Abstract: Consists of the papers of R. W. Waterman, including ephemera and women's suffrage newspapers. Materials date from the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. Includes ephemera related to fraternal organizations and clubs within California. The types of ephemera in the collection include: invitations, programs, tickets, dance cards, menus, business cards, and newspaper clippings. Also includes women's suffrage newspapers collected after Waterman's death.
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Related Collections
Waterman, Robert Whitney, MS 2263
Waterman scrapbook, MS 5005
System of Arrangement
The collection is arranged in four series: 1) Correspondence and real estate records; 2) Ephemera; 3) Newspapers and newspaper clippings; and 4) Official proclamations.
Processing Information
Processed by Tierney Haupt in 2011.
Biographical Information
Robert Whitney Waterman was born in Fairfield, New York, on December 15, 1826, and, as a boy, moved to Illinois with his older brothers after their father's death. He worked as a storekeeper and farmer there. After hearing of gold, Waterman traveled to California in 1850 to try mining but was unsuccessful and returned to Illinois two years later. In Wilmington, Illinois, he became highly involved in the Republican Party and, in 1856, he was one of the state's two delegates to the Republican National Convention. The other was Abraham Lincoln. In 1873, Waterman moved to California with his family, eventually settling in San Bernardino. Waterman became extremely successful in the mining industry and also owned large tracts of land. In 1886 he ran on the Republican ticket for the office of lieutenant governor and was elected along with a Democratic governor. Upon the governor's death in September 1887, Waterman assumed the office and held it until January of 1891. In failing health, he died of pneumonia on April 12, 1891.
Scope and Contents
Consists of papers from R. W. Waterman, including ephemera, newspapers and clippings, correspondence, and real estate records. Types of ephemera include business cards, invitations, dance cards, menus, programs, tickets, and brochures. Some of these pertain to clubs and fraternal organizations in California, including the Native Sons of the Golden West, the Grand Army of the Republic, and the Elks. Much of the ephemera dates from Waterman's time as lieutenant governor and
The R. W. Waterman papers also include a significant collection of women's suffrage newspapers, dated from 1911-1913, primarily consisting of *The Woman's Journal and Suffrage News*, but also including *The Woman Citizen* and the *In Woman's World* section of the *San Francisco Call*. These newspapers were collected after Waterman's death.

**Subjects and Indexing Terms**

Business cards.
Clippings.
Clubs--California.
Dance cards.
Ephemera
Fraternal organizations--California.
Invitations.
Menus.
Newspapers.
Programs.
Tickets.
Women--Suffrage--California.
Waterman, R. W. (Robert Whitney), 1826-1891.

**Bibliography**

Sources consulted for biographical note:

"Waterman Dead," *San Francisco Chronicle*, 13 April 1891.

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- A. Edgar Osborne, M.D., Ph.D., Superintendent, Home for Feeble Minded Children undated
- Mark L. Mcleard, guardian, Yosemite Valley undated
- Léon L. Rey 1923-1924
- F. H. Ross, the Ross stables, Santa Cruz undated
- Tillicums undated

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- Native Sons of the Golden West 1888, undated

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- Native Daughters of the Golden West undated

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Box 1, Folder 4  California and Nevada Railroad prospectus and map undated
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   Sixth grand complementary hop given by Miller brothers 1888 August 8
   Stanislaus county ladies 1888 August 15
   El Capitan Hotel grand ball 1888 February 1
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   Order of dances printed on ribbon 1891 February 20

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   111th anniversary of American Independence 1887 July 4
   University of California meeting of regents 1887 June 20
   Miller Brothers 1888 August 14
   J.S. Taylor birthday party 1888 July 10
   El Dorado County Pioneers reunion in Placerville 1888 May 25
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   California Delegation to the National Republican Convention, banner presentation 1888 September 21
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   Amateur Journalists of California meeting 1888 September 1
   Stanislaus County Ladies Association, social reception, Santa Cruz 1888 August 15
   Ball, Hotel del Coronado 1888 June 23
   Cuyamaca Club reception, San Diego 1888 August 14
   Wedding of Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Marx’s daughter Bertha to Mr. Albert Ancker, Los Angeles, reception in San Bernardino 1888 January 18
   Congregational Church, Sacramento, New England dinners 1888 December 3
   National Guard of California, Oakland, 28th anniversary party 1888 November 28
   Italian Military Company drill and ball 1888 October 30
   Veterans of the Mexican War, banquet, San Francisco 1888 September 14
   Native Sons of the Golden West, Festival of the Pacific Turn Bezirk 1888
   Mr. and Mrs. F.W. Summer, masquerade undated
   Republican State Club of California, Republican parade undated
   Young Men's Institute, Chico branch, installation of officers undated
   Union Iron Works, Launch of the "Charleston," first steel cruiser built on Pacific coast undated
   Robert M. McLean, M.D., dean of faculty undated
   C.L. Goddard, A.M.D.D.S., dean of faculty undated
   The Eagle Club to candidates of the Republican municipal ticket, San Francisco undated
   Republican State Central Committee, dinner for M.A. Estee 1889 September 11
   California State Senate and Assembly, memorial session in memory of late Governor Washington Bartlett 1889 February 1
   Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Steffens, wedding anniversary party 1889 January 15
   Committee of Centennial Celebration of George Washington’s inauguration, opening of exhibition of historical portraits and relics, New York City 1889 April 17
   Republican Club of New York City, dinner in commemoration of Lincoln’s birthday 1889 February 12
   Ancient Order of Foresters, Sacramento court, party
Inaugural Ball, Hotel Vendome 1889 March 1
Grand Army of the Republic, celebration of Lincoln's birthday 1889 February 12
Washington Association, centennial of inauguration of George Washington 1889 April 25
Centennial celebration of Washington's inauguration 1889 April 30
Military Order, Loyal Legion U.S., Commandery of the State of California 1890 May 2
Governor H. H. Markham, legislature, and state officers, inaugural ball 1891 January 9
Union Iron Works, launch of armored coast line battleship "Oregon" 1893 October 26
Union Iron Works, launch of "El Primero" undated

Box 1, Folder 8
Menus 1886-1888, undated
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San Bernardino Bar Association, banquet 1888 January 21
Occidental Christmas Menu 1886
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Palace Hotel, R. W. Waterman 1888 February 22
Palace Hotel, Mrs. R.W. Waterman 1888 February 22
Handwritten menu undated
Alumni Association of the University of California, Berkeley 1886 June 30
Citizens of Sacramento to R.W. Waterman 1888 February 16
"Should Old Acquaintance be Forgot" card and menu 1889 January 31

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Political and elections material
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Blanch Morse campaign brochure, county superintendent of schools undated
Nathan C. Coghlan campaign card, Republican nominee for state senator, San Francisco 1916
Joseph E.F.(Eddie) Marron campaign card, assemblyman undated
City of Berkeley Resolution No. 3659 - N.S., review of upcoming ballot propositions 1914 August 27
Vote yes on proposition 43 card, "Let The Dead Rest, Repeal Cemetery Ordinance" undated
Campaign card for supervisors: Burns, Caglieri, Connolly, Deasy, Nelson, Nolan, Power undated
Sydney M. van Wyck, Jr. campaign brochure, Democratic candidate for governor 1914
F.W. Hamilton, secretary of the Harrison and Morton Club, note of appreciation to Waterman regarding support for Republican party 1888 December 2
Ribbon from Headquarters of Harrison and Morton Club, Deadwood, Dakota, congratulations on electing Harrison to the U.S. presidency 1888

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Republican State Central Committee of California program and menu 1889 September 16
National Guard Officers' Association banquet for R. W. Waterman 1890 December 27
Commonwealth Club of California, "Beautification of San Francisco" undated
Governor Waterman's staff, banquet for the Waterman and friends, San Francisco, California 1889 February 22
Harrison and Morton Banquet in honor of Leland Stanford, U.S. Senator, and Republican representatives elect, San Francisco, California 1888 November 24
Governor Bartlett Memorial Concert, Sacramento 1887 September 18
Waterman banquet undated
Inauguration of Horace Davis as president of the University of California 1888 March 23
Sentiments, banquet in honor of Washington’s birthday for Waterman and friends 1889 February 22
Commencement exercises, University of California Medical Department undated
Commencement exercises, University of California College of Dentistry undated
Commencement exercises, California College of Pharmacy 1887 November 8
Commencement exercises, California College of Pharmacy 1888 November 20
Native Sons of the Golden West, Grand Sacred Concert, Santa Cruz 1888 September 9
Mechanics’ Institute Industrial Exhibition opening exercises 1888 August 7
Ladies Night Dirigo Club 1888 December 21
Native Sons of the Golden West, souvenir to guest of Oakland Parlor No. 50, Santa Cruz 1888 September 10
Inauguration service at Trinity Church undated
Chamber of Commerce of San Francisco banquet, table diagram 1890 May 6
San Bernardino Bar banquet 1888 January 21
Native Sons of the Golden West, Headquarters of Oakland Parlor No. 50, Santa Cruz, California 1888 September 9

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Sea Mosses from Santa Cruz, California scrapbook undated

**Box 2, Folder 6**

Souvenir of the Unveiling of Marshall Monument booklet of historical sketches of Placerville and Coloma 1890 May 3

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Tickets

Central California Citrus Fair, San Jose 1888
Grand Opera House literary exercises 1890 September 9
Sharon Quarters for Children, opening day at Golden Gate Park 1888 December 15
Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Golden Gate lodge no. 6, carnival and ball masque 1888 November 28
California Pioneers, California Admission Day 1888
Central Street Railway Company trial trip 1888 November 20
Pajaro Valley Agricultural Association 1888
California State Fair 1888
Native Sons of the Golden West grand promenade concert, tableaux, and grand ball 1890
Mechanics’ Institute Industrial Exhibition, San Francisco 1888 August
Native Sons of the Golden West literary exercises of Admission Day celebration 1890 September 9
Grand Army of the Republic reception banquet undated
Pioneer Social Club 1888 December 7
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Lady Friends of the 1st Artillery Regiment, social party to purchase new regulation colors 1888 January 18
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**The Woman's Journal and Suffrage News 1911-1913**  
Physical Description: 8.0 oversize folders  
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Series 4: **Official proclamations 1889**  
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