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Descriptive Summary

Title: J. D. Black Papers

Dates: 1876-1999

Bulk Dates: 1920-1929; 1950-1959

Collection number: CSLA-15

Creator: Black, J. D.

Collection Size: 22 archival document boxes, 14 oversize boxes

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Abstract: The J. D. Black Papers (CSLA-15) contain photographs, publications, correspondence, and organizational records related to J. D. Black's career and business in Big Pine, California. Of particular value are the records of the reparations organizations of Big Pine active during the Owens Valley Water Wars of the 1920s and the photographs documenting life in the mining towns of California's eastern Sierras and western Nevada.

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Languages: Languages represented in the collection: English

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Biography

John David Black was born in 1893 to a pioneer family of California's Owens Valley of the eastern Sierra Nevadas. J. D.'s father, John, established a store in Bishop in 1888 that J. D. continued to run at least until the 1950s. In 1902, still retaining the family home and store in Bishop, the Blacks moved to nearby Big Pine, where John opened another store, which eventually came under J. D. Black's management and remained in business until 1948. John participated in other business enterprises, such as a saloon, and father and son also held mining property jointly, as well as individual mines.

J. D. Black was a leader in the 1920s in different Big Pine citizens' organizations seeking relief and compensation for economic losses owing to the City of Los Angeles' control of the Owens Valley. Despite the economic decline of the Owens Valley, J. D. Black continued to reside there, until his death in 1960.

Collection Description

The J. D. Black Papers consist of materials relating to the personal and political life, and mining and business interests of J(ohn) D(avid) Black, a leading activist of the fight of Big Pine, California, of the Owens Valley, against the City of Los Angeles' takeover of that region's land and water rights. The holdings of the J. D. Black Papers span the years 1876-1999, with the bulk of the datable material originating in the 1920s and in the 1950s. The majority of the materials pertain to the reparations organizations in Big Pine, California, of which J. D. Black was a leader, seeking redress from the City of Los Angeles during the Owens Valley Water Wars of the 1920s. See especially Series 1 and Series 2.

The collection consists of textual and non-textual materials. Textual holdings include correspondence, minutes, brochures, organizational papers, publications, newspaper clippings and scrapbooks, and government documents, both county (voter registration lists) and state (legislative bill on reparations). Other textual materials include miscellany on Bishop, California; miscellaneous publications, such as *Bob Shuler's Magazine* (found in Series 2) and legal documents on the Black family's holdings in the Owens Valley, eg, mining properties.

Non-textual materials are comprised of personal photographs of the Black family, as well as general interest photographs of activities and places in the Owens Valley (cf. Series 3). Of special interest are photographs of mining and daily life in the California Sierras and neighboring Nevada in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. Among the more valuable photographs in this collection are those of the Nevada mining towns of Tonopah and Candelaria, and the present-day ghost towns of Bodie and Keeler, California. Some photographs document the decline of the ranches, farms, and towns of the Owens Valley after the City of Los Angeles became the major landholder there.

On-Line Digital Collections

Photographs and documents from the J. D. Black Papers have been digitized and are part of the William H. Hannon Library's Digital Library.

To view the images, see the following digital collections:

[America's West](#)

[J. D. Black Papers](#)

Arrangement

The J. D. Black Papers are organized into six series, with three subseries:

Series 1. Owens Valley Water Controversy Records . This series consists of materials concerning the Owens Valley water controversy in the 1920s, which marked the final stage of the valley residents' most active resistance to the City of Los Angeles. Central in this series are the correspondence, and organizational and administrative records (many of which are copies) of the Big Pine Property Owners Association (BPOA), the Big Pine Reparations Association (BPRA), and the Big Pine Water Association (BPWA). This includes the by-laws and articles of incorporation of the BPRA and the BPWA, and meeting minutes for the BPOA and the BPRA. There is also incoming and outgoing correspondence from the organizations regarding their plans for reparations, including lawsuits initiated by State Senator J. M. Inman and Inyo County District Attorney Jess Hession (see, for example, Box 8, Folder 1). Also to be found are City of Los Angeles proposals for resolving problems and subsequent position statements issued in response by Big Pine organizations (see especially Boxes 8 and 9). Depositions from Big Pine residents, and data sheets and lists regarding population and business losses, and losses of farms and ranches also form an important part of this series. Noteworthy as well are the handwritten estimates from members of the Big Pine Canal Company and Owens River Canal Company on the value of their water rights and farms in late 1923, a time when the City of Los Angeles was actively buying up property and water rights in the Owens Valley (Box 8, Folder 3). Names of note in these organizational and administrative records include W. W. Watterson and Fred Eaton.

Series 2. Publications and Scrapbooks . In this series are loose newspapers, clippings of newspaper and magazine articles, governmental publications, and scrapbooks that Black compiled of the Owens Valley water

controversy, most of which date from the 1920s and the early 1930s. Some of the clippings on the Owens Valley water controversy date from after J. D. Black's death (1960), indicating that his wife Sophie or other Black family members had added them to his collection. Magazine articles on the Owens Valley postdating J. D. Black's death in this collection indicate a provenance similar to the one just mentioned. Important California state publications on the Owens Valley water controversy include the state engineer's report in 1925 to Governor Friend Richardson. Also in this collection are City of Los Angeles publications, dating from the 1920s and 1930s, related to its involvement in Owens Valley. They are often apologia for the city's actions, eg, the City of Los Angeles, Department of Water and Power's response to claims for reparations: *Facts Concerning the Owens Valley Reparations Claims* (Box 9, Folder 7).

Series 3. Photographs . The photographic materials consist of personal photographs of the Black family, as well as general interest photographs of life, persons, and places in the Owens Valley. There are also two subseries (described below). All photographs and postcards of this series and its subseries are in black and white, unless otherwise noted.

Series 3. Subseries A: Photographic Postcards . Photographic post cards--very popular in the United States ca. 1900--constitute much of the photographic materials; because of their value in the J. D. Black Papers and format, they have been arranged as Subseries A within Series 3. The photographic postcards document important events in the history of the eastern Sierras of California and western Nevada. These include the first crossing of the California state line by the Carson and Colorado Railroad, the railroad that serviced the Owens Valley and the mining towns of western Nevada. Other valuable postcards include those of such mining towns as Bodie, California, and Candelaria, Nevada. Also found in this subseries are photographic postcards related to the Owens Valley water controversy, most notably the seizure of the Alabama Gates by the residents of the Owens Valley in 1924 (Box 16, Folders 1-13), and the photographic postcards reproducing original photographs of Andrew Alexander Forbes documenting the Native Americans of the Owens Valley, chiefly the Paiutes (See Box 16, Folders 16-29).

Series 3. Subseries B: Abandoned Properties, Owens Valley . Extremely rare, perhaps even unique, are the photographs that J. D. Black took of ranches and farms, and other properties in the Owens Valley abandoned after their acquisition by the City of Los Angeles. J. D. Black labelled many of the photographs with the names of their owners and dated some as well. Because of their value, and because J. D. Black stored them separately, they have been established in Subseries B: Abandoned Properties, Owens Valley.

Series 4. Protest Correspondence, 1946-1960. This series contains correspondence (some incoming, but mostly outgoing), telegrams, night letters, and newspaper clippings regarding the injustices of the Owens Valley water controversy that J. D. Black sent to state and federal officials and bodies. Eccentric in mission and content, these communications date from after World War II to J. D. Black's death in 1960, a period well after the time when the Owens Valley water controversy had been decided in the favor of the City of Los Angeles.

Series 5. Personal Correspondence and Records .This series is made up of correspondence, receipt books, receipts, newspaper clippings, leases, and contracts related to the personal affairs and business interests in the Owens Valley (mining and stores) of J. D. Black and his wife Sophie Black and their daughters.

Series 5. Subseries A: World War I, World II, Korean War Correspondence . This subseries of Series 5 is comprised of correspondence and photographs to J. D. Black from servicemen of World War I, World War II, and the Korean conflict. The photographs include pictures of the famous Italian monastery of Monte Cassino during the Allied assault there in 1944 (Box 7, Folder 2)

Series 6. Personal Notes. In this series are found the handwritten, loose notes of J. D. Black on the Owens Valley water controversy. They often functioned as rough drafts of the correspondence found in Series 4 and are often hard to decipher. The loose newspaper clippings in Box 14ov of Series 2 originally accompanied the notes found in Series 6.

Indexing Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library's online public access catalog.

Black, J. D. (John David)

Owens Valley (Calif.)

Bishop (Calif.)

Big Pine (Calif.)

Water rights -- California -- Owens Valley -- History -- Sources

Water rights -- California -- Los Angeles -- History -- Sources

Series 1 **Owens Valley Water Controversy Records 1906-1980**

Physical Description: 6 boxes, 1 oversize boxes

- Box 1 : 1 **Big Pine Reparations Association position statement on reparations. Big Pine Reparations Association materials: statement of damages, receipts, general corr. and corr. with lawyers and Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce. Mono County real and personal property tax lists. J. D. Black corr. 1916-1929 (dates broken)**
- Box 1 : 2 **Computations for financial reparations, miscellaneous statements, and notes re reparations for Owens Valley residents and City of Los Angeles for water rights. Originally in folder with date "1929". 1929(?)**
- Box 1 : 3 **Corr. re reparations bill for Big Pine residents; copy of bill. Big Pine Water Association stockholders' statement re Los Angeles City Power and Water votes at stockholders' meeting. Notice of ranch for sale. Materials in folders 3 and 4 originally together 1925 1929**
- Box 1 : 4 **Big Pine taxpayers statement to City of Los Angeles re compensation for water loss (two copies); corr. re Big Pine and water controversy; speech by unknown person on plight of Owens Valley. Big Pine Reparations Association memorandum re Big Pine Water Association suit against City of Los Angeles. Materials in folders 3 and 4 originally together 1924 1925**
- Box 1 : 5 **J. D. Black corr. re Big Pines reparations 1926**
- Box 1 : 6 **Register of voters, Inyo County, 1926 and 1928 primary elections 1926 1928**
- Box 1 : 7 **Big Pines Reparations Association booklet on water controversy (5 copies); Big Pine Reparations Association vs. The City of Los Angeles, by J. O. McIntosh 1926**
- Box 1 : 9 **Notes by unknown author on Owens Valley water controversy; list of county Democratic and Republican Central Committeeman; legal forms; trader license; register of voters (1926), with precinct results. Cf. Box 1, Folder 7 1917-1948 (dates broken)**
- Box 8 : 1 **Big Pine Property Owners' Association corr., copies and originals, re state bill on reparations; copies of Big Pine Property Owners' Association corr. re Los Angeles Board of Public Commissioners compensation agreement; corr., copies of documents re federal irrigation project in Owens Valley; documents re business and population decline in Big Pine 1925**
- Box 8 : 2 **J. D. Black corr. with San Francisco and Los Angeles businesspersons re business and Owens Valley Water controversy; Big Pine Property Owners' Association corr. with lawyer re City of Los Angeles claims in Owens Valley; polemical essay on Owens Valley and Los Angeles, author and date unknown; grievance list 1924-1925**
- Box 8 : 3 **Sale prices of irrigation rights and agricultural property of stockholders of Big Pine Canal Company and Owens River Canal Company; sale prices of property of Owens Valley farmers and ranchers 1923**
- Box 8 : 4 **J. D. Black corr. (copies and originals) with San Francisco and Los Angeles businesspersons re business and Owens Valley water controversy 1924-1925**
- Box 8 : 5 **Big Pine Property Owners' Association corr. with state legislators re City of Los Angeles purchases of water rights; supporting documents (copies) re Owens Valley claims against City of Los Angeles, eg economic losses; corr re Black family property valuation 1924 1925**
- Box 8 : 6 **Documents (copies) re Big Pine Water Association (BPWA) agreements with City of Los Angeles; BPWA by-laws, articles of incorporation and list of shareholders undated**
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- Box 8 : 7 **Copies of Big Pines Reparations Association (BPRA) corr. re legal opinion and membership; BPRA receipts, statement of purpose; Big Pine Property Owners Association petition re suit against City of Los Angeles 1926**
- Box 8 : 8 **Statement on California Reparations Act of 1925 (copy); Owens Valley residents' 1905 statement re City of Los Angeles water acquisitions (copy); state engineer letter re occupation of Alabama Gates of Los Angeles Aqueduct (copy); Theodore Roosevelt letter re Los Angeles Water Supply Bill (copy); excerpts from Big Pine Citizen and Inyo Magazine re Owens Valley River water controversy (copies) undated**
- Box 8 : 9 **Corr., telegrams (copies and originals) re Owens Valley water controversy; supporting documents (copies) re Owens Valley claims against City of Los Angeles, eg economic losses, City of Los Angeles property purchases; Big Pine Property Owners Association roster; City of Los Angeles settlement offer for Big Pine residents; Big Pine Water Association records 1924-1925**
- Box 8 : 10 **Big Pine Property Owners Association corr. (copies); computations re compensation for Big Pine residents 1925**
- Box 9 : 1 **By-Laws of the Big Pines Reparations Association (booklet) 1925**
- Box 9 : 2 **Big Pines Reparations Association membership and assignment contract forms (blank). Cf. Box 9, Folder 5 this series 1925**
- Box 9 : 3 **Notice of meeting Big Pines Reparations Association mailing cards; mailing list undated**
- Box 9 : 4 **Contract forms between Big Pines Reparations Association and members on valuation of property in settlement with City of Los Angeles 1926**
- Box 9 : 5 **Big Pines Reparations Association membership and assignment contract forms--signed. Cf. Box 9, Folder 2 this series 1925-1926**
- Box 9 : 6 **Notebook: handwritten copy of by-laws of the Big Pines Reparations Association. With original signatures of witnesses, and directors and secretary. Typewritten copy of bylaws (originally inserted in notebook. 1925**
- Box 9 : 8 **Signed contract riders by members of Big Pines Reparation Association. Cf. Box 9, Folder 4, this series 1926**
- Box 9 : 9 **Big Pine town property assessment roll; sale price of properties, with statements re land use; Big Pine mailing lists; Big Pine Reparations Association list of damages, statements of damages; City of Los Angeles settlement proposition for Big Pine; list of Big Pine properties sold, with sale prices; statement re method for computing compensation 1926**
- Box 9 : 10 **Handwritten Big Pine assessment rolls--ranch and town property; handwritten data tables re Big Pine farms and ranches sold to City of Los Angeles, with data on acreage, irrigation shares, land use under private ownership and city ownership, new addresses of former owners 1923**
- Box 9 : 11 **Grievance list; City of Los Angeles settlement proposition for Big Pine and town's rejection; miscellaneous notes; compensation list, Big Pine Canal Company; Big Pine Property Owners Association (BPPOA) corr. with state legislator and W. W. Watterson (copies); BPPOA corr. with congressman re Los Angeles' development of Owens Valley waters for electricity; copies of legal documents 1906-1934 (dates broken)**
- Box 9 : 12 **Big Pine Property Owners Association data table on ranches sold to City of Los Angeles (original). Originally with negatives in Series 3, Box 18, Folders 16-17 1925**
- Box 9 : 13 **Deed between City of Los Angeles and Northern Inyo County Local Hospital District re property acquisitions. Photostatic copy 1947**
- Box 10 : 1 **Big Pine Reparations Association materials: compensation list and deposition statement (copies), board of directors meeting minutes (copies), membership and assignment contract forms, night letter to Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce 1926-1927**
- Box 10 : 2 **Big Pine Water Association materials (copies): by-laws, meeting minutes, Minnie Myers deed, board of directors proposition to stockholders re City of Los Angeles offer, stock allocations, memorandum of agreement with City of Los Angeles, articles of incorporation, stockholders' protest re City of Los Angeles, Department of Water and Power, water right deed, City of Los Angeles, Dept. of Public Service letter 1916-1926**
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- Box 10 : 3 **J. D. Black letter (copy) re poor conditions in Big Pine area; notes; grievance list 1926**
- Box 10 : 4 **J. D. Black corr. re Owens Valley water controversy; City of Los Angeles, Dept. of Public Service, resolution re Owens Valley water use (copy); ranch lease with City of Los Angeles (copy); Inyo County Farm Bureau and Big Pine Citizen statements re controversy (copy) 1926-1927**
- Box 10 : 5 **Inyo Magazine articles re water controversy (typed carbon copies). Cf. Series 2, Box 20, Folders 1-4 1908**
- Box 10 : 6 **Later Owens Valley water controversy materials: newspaper clippings; brochures re 1980 ballot measures; 1975 Big Pine Water Association list of stockholders; City of Los Angeles, Dept. of Water and Power lease 1945-1980**
- Box 10 : 7 **Loose newspaper clippings re Colorado River compact, and conservation 1920s(?)**
- Box 10 : 8 **Owens Valley water controversy materials, all originally in ring binder: City of Los Angeles, Dept. of Water and Power, property options, and booklet (Facts Concerning the Owens Valley Reparations Claims); City of Los Angeles, Dept. of Public Service, irrigation plans; Big Pine Reparation Association statement re legal action. J. D. Black corr. Big Pine Water Association materials: By-laws, articles of incorporations, legal documents. Cf. Box 10, F. 2, this series, re BPWA materials. 1929-1949 (dates broken)**
- Box 10 : 9 **Day book with entries on activities of City of Los Angeles activities in Big Pine. In day book: Big Pines Reparations Association vs. The City of Los Angeles. By J. O. McIntosh. 1929**
- Box 10 : 10 **Big Pine Property Owners Association minutes with claims list and land sales to City of Los Angeles (includes those of Owens River Canal Company) 1924-1925**
- Box 11 : 1 **Ledger with Big Pine Reparations Association minutes, articles of incorporation. Corr. and agreement between lawyers; and BPRA membership and assignment contract form 1925-1927**
- Box 12 : 1-2 **Big Pine Reparations Association receipt book (with record stubs re membership) undated**
- Box 12 : 3 **Receipt book undated**
- Box 12ov : 1 **Tract map re Los Angeles Department of Water and Power property for sale in Big Pine, California (2 copies) 1947**
- Box 12ov : 2 **Tract map re Los Angeles Department of Water and Power property for sale in Bishop, California (2 copies) 1947**
- Box 12ov : 3 **Notice of intended sale, Los Angeles Department of Water and Power properties in Bishop, Lone Pine, Big Pine, and Independence California 1947**
- Series 2 **Publications and Scrapbooks 1908-1999**
- Physical Description:** 25 folders, 33 oversize folders, 1 flat file
- Box 2 : 1 **Mono and Inyo Counties, and Carson City, Nevada promotional literature undated**
- Box 2 : 2 **Newspaper clippings re Owens Valley water controversy 1997**
- Box 2 : 3 **8 issues of "Bob Shuler's Magazine" 1929**
- Box 2 : 4 **Magazine articles re water conservation, Owens Valley water controversy, and Inyo County history 1985-1999 (dates broken)**
- Box 9 : 7 **Pamphlet: *Facts Concerning the Owens Valley Reparations Claims* . City of Los Angeles, Dept. of Water and Power. 2 copies, one with notes by J. D. Black. Pamphlet: *Big Pines Reparations Association vs. The City of Los Angeles* . By J. O. McIntosh. 3 copies. Postal receipts. All materials originally in notebook with name Barbara Black inscribed 1926 1948**
- Box 20 : 1 **Telephone directories for Bishop and Big Pine, California 1950 1958**
- Box 20 : 2 ***Inyo Magazine*, Vol. 1, No. 7: "A Theft in Water. Part III." 1908**
- Box 20 : 3 ***Inyo Magazine*, Vol. 1, No. 10: "A Theft in Water. Part VI." 1908**
- Box 20 : 4 ***Inyo Magazine*, Vol. 1, No. 11: "A Theft in Water. Part VII." 1908**
- Box 20 : 5 ***Fortnight: The Newsmagazine of California*, Vol. 8, Nos. 7, 8, 9, 12. 1950**
- Box 20 : 6 ***California Mining Journal*, Vol. 17, No. 11. 1948**
- Box 20 : 7 **City of Los Angeles, Board of Public Service Commissioners. *Reply of the Board of Public Service Commissioners to the Proposal ... submitted by W. W. Watterson....* 2 copies 1924**
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Box 20 : 8	State of California. Department of Public Works. <i>Letter of Transmittal and Report of State Engineer Concerning the Owens Valley- Los Angeles Controversy to Governor Friend William Richardson</i> . By W. F. McClure. 3 copies 1925
Box 20 : 9	<i>The Owens Valley and the Los Angeles Water Controversy. Owens Valley as I Knew It.</i> By Richard Coke Wood. <i>From This Mountain--Cerro Gordo.</i> By Robert C. Likes and Glenn R. Day 1973 1975
Box 20 : 10	Handbook. California Legislature. Forty-Sixth Session 1925
Box 20 : 11	City of Los Angeles, Department of Water and Power publications: <i>Owens River Gorge Development</i>; and <i>The Romance of Water and Power</i> , by Don Kinsey 1928 1935
Box 20 : 12	Metropolitan Water District of Southern California. <i>Water for Thirteen Cities in the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California</i> . Water exhibit souvenir of the California Pacific International Exposition. San Diego, California 1935
Box 20 : 13	Pamphlet: <i>Deep Springs. A Prefatory.</i> By P. N. Nunn. undated
Box 20 : 14	<i>Arizona Highways</i>, Vol. 31, No. 2 1955
Box 20 : 15	<i>A Guide to U. S. Army Insignia and Decorations.</i> By Gordon A. J. Petersen. <i>A Guide to U. S. Navy Insignia and Decorations</i> . By Gordon A. J. Petersen. Originally with correspondence in Series 5, Subseries A, Boxes, 6 and 7 1942
Box 20 : 16	Booklet with constitutional amendments and statutes on California State ballot 1914
Box 20 : 17	<i>Our Navy at War. Official Report by Admiral Ernest J. King ... Covering Combat Operations Up To March 1, 1944</i> . 1944(?)
Box 20 : 18	<i>Courage</i>, no. 11. San Francisco hotel guide. San Francisco Giants score card. 1927 1959
Box 20 : 19	City of Los Angeles, Department of Water and Power brochure re Owens Valley recreation 1928
Box 20 : 20	Miscellaneous brochures and pamphlets 1928 1936
Box 10v : 1	Clippings from Los Angeles and Owens Valley newspapers re Owens Valley Water controversy and Owens Valley miscellany 1923-1981 (dates broken)
Box 20v : 1	Newspaper clippings from Los Angeles and Owens Valley newspapers re Owens Valley Water controversy, building of Colorado River Aqueduct, and Owens Valley miscellany 1925-1999 (dates broken)
Box 20v : 2	Newspaper clippings from Los Angeles and Owens Valley newspapers re Owens Valley Water controversy, and Owens Valley miscellany 1924-1981 (dates broken)
Box 20v : 3	Issues of <i>The Gridiron</i> on Owens Valley water controversy 1927
Box 20v : 4	Owens Valley newspapers on water controversy 1927-1933 (dates broken)
Box 20v : 5	Issues of <i>Los Angeles Record</i> on water controversy 1925
Box 20v : 6	Owens Valley and Los Angeles newspapers on water controversy 1925-1995 (dates broken)
Box 20v : 7	Signs for Black's Store; miscellaneous notes on Owens Valley water controversy undated
Box 30v	Scrapbook: Clippings re Owen Valley water controversy; loose newspapers 1924
Box 40v	Scrapbook: Clippings re Owen Valley water controversy; Big Pines Reparations Association booklet 1925-1926
Box 50v	Scrapbook: Clippings re Owen Valley water controversy 1927
Box 60v	Scrapbook: Clippings re Owen Valley water controversy 1927-1928
Box 70v	Scrapbook: Clippings re Owen Valley water controversy 1929
Box 80v	Scrapbook: Clippings re Owen Valley water controversy; loose clippings and newspaper; handwritten notes re controversy 1930
Box 90v	Scrapbook: Clippings re Owen Valley water controversy (only one clipping) 1930
Box 100v	Scrapbook: Clippings re Owen Valley water controversy; loose clippings 1931
Box 120v : 5	City of Los Angeles, Department of Water and Power pamphlets re Department's history and service; flyer re Colorado River Aqueduct relief map at the Pacific Southwest Exposition 1928 1952
Box 120v : 6	San Francisco tour map; Forest Lawn cemetery map, of Glendale, California undated
Box 120v : 7	City of Los Angeles, Department of Public Service brochure: proposed plan for permanent irrigation at Big Pine, California, with response of Owens Valley residents 1924

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- Box 13ov : 1 **Inyo Register and Owens Valley Herald , Supplement Number One, re economic losses of Owens Valley. FRAGILE 1925**
- Box 13ov : 2 **Big Pine Citizen, with articles re dynamiting of Los Angeles aqueduct. FRAGILE 1927**
- Box 13ov : 3 **Owens Valley Herald, with editorials, articles re troubles with City of Los Angeles. FRAGILE 1924 1925**
- Box 13ov : 4 **Inyo Register, with articles re Big Pine fire 1949-1950 1952-1953**
- Box 13ov : 5 **San Francisco tourist brochure 1950**
- Box 13ov : 6 **U. S. Geological Survey map: Mt. Tom (California) Quadrangle 1954(?)**
- Box 13ov : 8 **Loose newspaper clippings re Inyo County history and miscellany 1918 1954**
- Box 14ov : 1-3 **Loose newspaper clippings re Owens Valley Water controversy and Colorado river. Cf. Series 6, Boxes 21, 22 1950s**

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Thomas Brothers street map: San Francisco/Oakland 1946**Series 3 Photographs 1888-1958****Physical Description:** 6 archival document boxes, 1 oversize box, 1 oversize folder

- Box 3 : 1 **Hotel Butler, Big Pine, California. 1914 1914**
- Box 3 : 2 **Black's Cash Store, Bishop, California (4 photographs)**
- Box 3 : 3 **Site of John Black's original store 1888**
- Box 3 : 4 **Black's race horse**
- Box 3 : 5 **Morton George and wife. Albuquerque, New Mexico**
- Box 3 : 6 **Mr. And Mrs. Thomas Edwards**
- Box 3 : 7 **Mrs. Tom Callow**
- Box 3 : 8 **J.D. Black with unidentified man**
- Box 3 : 9 **Jack Black**
- Box 3 : 10 **Johny (sic) McKay and J.D. Black**
- Box 3 : 11 **Pete Giraud et al.**
- Box 3 : 12 **Group picture: (top row, left-right) Ober, Miller, George Mitchell. (bottom row, left-right) Frank Epperly, Ramon Machado**
- Box 3 : 13 **Mr. Trudo, Bill McDonald**
- Box 3 : 14 **Bert Ober**
- Box 3 : 15 **Unidentified man**
- Box 3 : 16 **James J. Butler**
- Box 3 : 17 **Tom Callow's Big Pine Hotel and Bar Early 1900s**
- Box 3 : 18 **Mrs. John Black**
- Box 3 : 19 **Ed McNamee's Big Pine Goodfellows Christmas Club. 5 photographs**
- Box 3 : 20 **Al Staudinger Marble Works. Keeler, California. 3 photographs**
- Box 3 : 21 **John McAlpin, partner of John Black (in Bodie, California?)**
- Box 3 : 22 **Group picture: (standing, left-right) J. I. Jones, Ed Ober; (seated, left-right) Bill Stains, Ed Ober**
- Box 3 : 23 **Unidentified man**
- Box 3 : 24 **Two unidentified boys**
- Box 3 : 25 **Unidentified girl**
- Box 3 : 26 **John Black**
- Box 3 : 27 **Two tintypes: John Black and Bill Boot, editor of the Tonopah, Nevada, newspaper; and John Black**
- Box 3 : 28 **Virginia Black**
- Box 3 : 29 **Group Picture: Young J. D. Black, with baseball teammates**
- Box 3 : 30 **Young J. D. Black**
- Box 3 : 31 **Mr. and Mrs. John Black**
- Box 3 : 32 **J. D. Black**
- Box 3 : 33 **Young J. D. Black and sister Rosalind**
- Box 3 : 34 **Rosalind Black and family dog. 2 photographs**
- Box 3 : 35 **Group portrait of the John Black family**
- Box 3 : 36 **Unidentified factory, exterior and interior shots. 5 photographs**
- Box 3 : 37 **Unidentified persons and location. 3 photographs**
- Box 3 : 38 **Photograph of Bishop, California, after blizzard. 1933**
- Box 3 : 39 **J. D. Black and unidentified person. 2 tintypes**

Box 3 : 40	Clearing of snow from streets (of Bishop, California, at Black's Corner?). 4 photographs
Box 3 : 41	Aerial photos of Owens Valley. 8 photographs
Box 3 : 42	Unidentified mining town
Box 3 : 43	Young J. D. Black, with father, John Black
Box 4 : 1-27	Photographs of Bishop, California, after blizzard 1933
Box 4 : 28	Big Pine Saloon
Box 4 : 29	Riding party
Box 4 : 30	Cabin in mountains
Box 4 : 31	Unidentified woman. 2 photographs
Box 4 : 32	Campsite (John Black in picture?)
Box 4 : 33	Old timers party, Big Pine, California
Box 4 : 34	2 photographs of aqueduct; unidentified picture
Box 4 : 35	Unidentified surveyor
Box 4 : 36	Unidentified woman
Box 4 : 37	Huston Cline and Mr. Saiz
Box 4 : 38	Group picture: 4 unidentified women
Box 4 : 39	Unidentified girl (Rosalind Black?)
Box 4 : 40	Seattle, Washington house (Black family home?)
Box 4 : 41	"Hall's Hall" after snowstorm. 2 photographs 1914
Box 4 : 42	Group picture of picnic brunch 1914
Box 4 : 43	Winter scene
Box 4 : 44	George, Native American man
Box 4 : 45	John McBride
Box 4 : 46	Scenes of Owens Valley. 12 color photographs
Box 4 : 47	Unidentified man
Box 4 : 48	Washed out bridge 1914
Box 4 : 49	Miners: (left-right) Johnny Williams, Johnny [sic] Utter, Sandy Lochrie
Box 4 : 50	Winter trip in Owens Valley. 11 photographs
Box 4 : 51	Camping trip. 13 photographs
Box 4 : 52	Campaign billboard (Senator Thomas Kuchel). 2 photographs: 168 East Line Street, Big Pine California
Box 4 : 53	View of mountain lake
Box 4 : 54	Unidentified man with ax, in woods
Box 4 : 55	Brush arbor campsite, with unidentified man and woman
Box 4 : 56	Winter scenes of J. D. Black home and family. 12 photographs
Box 4 : 57	5 photographs: children on horse, Hotel Butler and market in Big Pine California. Negatives in Box 18, Folder 1, this series
Box 4 : 58	Mine, Chrysopolis, California. 5 photographs. Negatives in Box 18, Folder 2, this series
Box 4 : 59	J. D. Black home. 12 photographs. Some photographs labelled "home." Negatives in Box 18, Folder 3, this series
Box 16 : 43	Fire, Big Pine, California. 4 photographs 1947
Box 16 : 44	Fire, Big Pine, California. 3 photographs 1947
Box 16 : 45	Display of photographs and documents celebrating 60th anniversary of Black's Store, Bishop, California. Notes on arrangement of pictures 1948
Box 16 : 46	Bodie, California, drilling contest. John Black, umpire
Box 16 : 47	Bishop or Big Pine, California, cars. Negatives in Box 18, Folder 7, this series
Box 16 : 48	Bishop, California, after blizzard. 7 photographs. Negatives in Box 18, Folder 8, this series 1933
Box 16 : 49	Demolition of George Neill place, Bishop, California. 7 photographs. Negatives in Box 18, Folder 10, this series 1956
Box 16 : 50	Artesian well, aqueduct gates (including Eaton gate), pipe, canals. 9 photographs. Date: 1955. Negatives in Box 18, Folder 11, this series
Box 16 : 51	Black's grocery store, Main Street, Big Pine, California. 3 photographs. With identifying notes (by Jack Black?)
Box 16 : 52	Unidentified man receiving Distinguished Flying Cross (at March Air Force Base, California?)

Box 16 : 53	Flight crew, B-24 Liberator. Place: Scottsbluff, Nebraska. 1943
Box 16 : 54	Notes re photographs: Box 17, Folder 34, Series 3, Subseries B
Box 17 : 1	Demolition of old grammar school, Bishop, California. 9 photographs
Box 17 : 2	Unidentified persons. 3 photographs
Box 17 : 3	Back yard, Big Pine store and hotel. 8 photographs
Box 17 : 4	Felled tree. 5 photographs. Negatives in Box 18, Folder 5, this series 1958
Box 17 : 5	J. D. Black friends and relatives. 6 photographs. Negatives in Box 18, Folder 6, this series
Box 17 : 6	Construction of Elks building. Negatives in Box 18, Folder 8 1956
Box 17 : 7	Water well. 4 photographs. Negatives in Box 18, Folder 11, this series
Box 17 : 8	Abandoned Clark farm; 2 photographs (Cf. Subseries B, this series). Wells and canals; 6 photographs. Black ditch, Big Pine, California; 5 photographs. Negatives in Box 18, Folder 12, this series 1930
Box 17 : 9	Lee Cornell residence, demolition. Caption: "Lee Cornell residence, being torn down." 4 photographs. Negatives in Box 18, Folder 13, this series
Box 17 : 27	Cemetery (Big Pine, California?). 4 photographs
Box 17 : 28	Destroyed building. 4 photographs. Negatives in Box 18, Folder 29
Box 17 : 29	Owens Valley ranchlands. Date: 1930. 7 photographs. Cf. Subseries B, this series
Box 17 : 30	Big Pine Creek flood. 2 photographs. Water well and cement pipe for water delivery to canal. Captions on back. 3 photographs
Box 17 : 31	Water wells, canals, and pipes. 6 photographs 1930
Box 17 : 32	Big Pine Creek. 4 photographs. Captions 1948
Box 18 : 1	Negatives. Main Street, Big Pine, California. Cf. Box 4, Folder 57, this series
Box 18 : 2	Mine, Chrysopolis, California. Cf. Box 4, Folder 58, this series
Box 18 : 3	J. D. Black home. Cf. Box 4, Folder 59, this series
Box 18 : 4	Negatives. Demolition of old grammar school, Bishop, California. Cf. Box 17, Folder 1, this series
Box 18 : 5	Negatives. Felled tree. Cf. Box 17, Folder 4, this series 1958
Box 18 : 6	Negatives. J. D. Black friends and relatives. Cf. Box 17, Folder 5, this series
Box 18 : 7	Negatives. Bishop or Big Pine, California, cars. Cf. Box 16, Folder 48, this series
Box 18 : 8	Negatives. Construction of Elks building. Cf. Box 17, Folder 6 1956
Box 18 : 9	Negatives. Bishop, California, after blizzard. Cf. Box 16, Folder 49, this series 1933
Box 18 : 10	Negatives. Demolition of George Neill place, Bishop, California. Cf. Box 16, Folder 50, this series 1956
Box 18 : 11	Negatives. Rural property with well. Cf. Box 17, Folder 7, this series
Box 18 : 12	Negatives. Abandoned Clark farmstead. Wells and canals. Black ditch, Big Pine, California. Cf. Box 17, Folder 8, this series 1930
Box 18 : 13	Negatives. Lee Cornell residence, demolition. Cf. Box 17, Folder 9, this series
Box 18 : 14	Negatives. Abandoned farm/ranch houses, including Meyers, McMurry, Steward, Partridge places. Cf. Box 17, Folder 14, this series. Originally in box labelled "Water Abandoned Lands Buildings"
Box 18 : 15	Negatives. Abandoned Eugley home, Big Pine, California. Date: 1932. Originally in envelope labelled: "Old Eugley House--torn down August 1932. (The place we first occupied when we hit Big Pine 1902)." Cf. Box 17, Folder 25
Box 18 : 16	Negatives for photographs in Box 17, Folders 11-22. Accompanied by Big Pine Property Owners Association data table on ranches sold to city; cf. Big Box 9, Folder 12
Box 18 : 17	Negatives for photographs in Box 17, Folders 11-22. Accompanied by Big Pine Property Owners Association data table on ranches sold to City of Los Angeles; cf. Big Box 9, Folder 12
Box 18 : 18	Negatives. Bishop, California, after blizzard. Cf. Box 4, Folders 1-27 1933
Box 18 : 19	Negatives. Bishop, California, after blizzard. Cf. Box 4, Folders 1-27 1933
Box 18 : 20-27, 30-31	Negatives
Box 18 : 28	Negatives. Main Street, Big Pine, California
Box 18 : 29	Negatives. Destroyed building. Cf. Box 17, Folder 28, this series
Box 11ov : 1	Interior of John Black's saloon
Box 11ov : 2	Pine Creek Mill

Box 11ov : 3	Clark-Kaeding Company Architects building and employees
Box 11ov : 4	Group portrait: Ober family and others
Box 11ov : 5	Tonopah, Nevada. 2 photographs. Fragile
Box 12ov : 4	Group picture: unidentified male students
	Series 3. Subseries A: Photographic Postcards 1893-1940
	Physical Description: 2 boxes
Box 5 : 1	Box Canyon Toll Road
Box 5 : 2	Faro bank. Bank Club, Reno Nevada
Box 5 : 3	Black's Corner [store]. 4 postcards 1922
Box 5 : 4	Bodie, California
Box 5 : 5	Big Pine, California. 4 postcards
Box 5 : 6	Portola festival. San Francisco, California. 3 postcards
Box 5 : 7	Hotel Butler, Big Pine, California 1914
Box 5 : 8	Black's Corner [store] 1914
Box 5 : 9	John Black, Al Lynn. 2 postcards
Box 5 : 10	Main Street, Big Pine, California
Box 5 : 11	Hardware store, Bishop, California
Box 5 : 12	Community Christmas tree, Big Pine, California 1913
Box 5 : 13	First taxi of Bishop, California
Box 5 : 14	Riding party in Nevada
Box 5 : 15	Motorcyclists. 2 postcards
Box 5 : 16	Early twentieth century automobiles. 2 postcards
Box 5 : 17	Big Pine Creek, California
Box 5 : 18	Wheat threshing, Bishop, California
Box 5 : 19	Carson, Nevada train depot
Box 5 : 20	Warren swimming pool
Box 5 : 21	Candelaria, Nevada 1876
Box 5 : 22	Swain and Ingalls Delivery. Otis Ingalls in wagon, W. A. Ingalls by side of wagon. Candelaria, Nevada. 1893
Box 5 : 23	Bishop, California, flooded streets 1914
Box 5 : 24	Big Pine, California (winter scenes). 4 postcards
Box 5 : 25	Main Street, Big Pine, California (winter scenes). 3 postcards
Box 5 : 26	Carson and Colorado Railroad first crossing of California/Nevada state line
Box 5 : 27	San Joaquin River, south fork
Box 5 : 28	Unidentified home
Box 5 : 29	Farm scene. Dorrance Keough written on back of postcard
Box 5 : 30	Eugley Place
Box 5 : 31	Four female students
Box 5 : 32	Paiute Native American
Box 5 : 33	"Pauline"
Box 5 : 34	View of lake
Box 5 : 35	Two unidentified women
Box 5 : 36	Unidentified woman
Box 5 : 37	Black family cousin
Box 5 : 38	Unidentified women and man fishing
Box 5 : 39	Group picture of six men
Box 5 : 40	Unidentified woman
Box 5 : 41	J. D. Black with unidentified men
Box 5 : 42	J. D. Black, Mose and Yetta Foreman. 1 postcard, 1 photograph
Box 5 : 43	Grant Hotel, San Diego
Box 5 : 44	Two unidentified men
Box 16 : 1	Owens Valley ranchers seizure of Alabama Gates, Los Angeles Aqueduct. Caption: "Chow L.A. Aqueduct." 12 postcards 1924
Box 16 : 2	Owens Valley ranchers seizure of Alabama Gates, Los Angeles Aqueduct. Caption: "Bishop Ranchers in Possession of L.A. Water Supply. Nov. 16-20, 1924." 1924

Box 16 : 3	Owens Valley ranchers seizure of Alabama Gates, Los Angeles Aqueduct. Caption: "Army of Occupation. L.A. Aqueduct." 1924
Box 16 : 4	Owens Valley ranchers seizure of Alabama Gates, Los Angeles Aqueduct. Caption: "Bishop Ranchers Take Control of L. A. Aqueduct. Nov. 16-20, 1924." 1924
Box 16 : 5	Owens Valley ranchers seizure of Alabama Gates, Los Angeles Aqueduct. Caption: "Flowing Gold. L.A. Aqueduct." 1924
Box 16 : 6	Owens Valley ranchers seizure of Alabama Gates, Los Angeles Aqueduct. Caption: "The Auto Fleet of Bishop Ranchers at L. A. Aqueduct. Nov. 16-20, 1924." 1924
Box 16 : 7	Owens Valley ranchers seizure of Alabama Gates, Los Angeles Aqueduct. Caption: "The Rancher's (sic) Army Holding the L.A. Aqueduct. Nov. 16-20, 1924." 1924
Box 16 : 8	Owens Valley ranchers seizure of Alabama Gates, Los Angeles Aqueduct. Caption: "Army of Occupation. Los Angeles Acqueduct (sic). Nov. 20, 1924" 1924
Box 16 : 9	Owens Valley ranchers seizure of Alabama Gates, Los Angeles Aqueduct. Caption: "Army of Occupation. L.A. Aqueduct." 1924
Box 16 : 10	Owens Valley ranchers seizure of Alabama Gates, Los Angeles Aqueduct. Caption: "Band--Its Army of Occupation. L. A. Acqueduct (sic). Nov. 10, 20, 1924." 1924
Box 16 : 11	Owens Valley ranchers seizure of Alabama Gates, Los Angeles Aqueduct. Caption: "Spillway. L.A. Aqueduct." 1924
Box 16 : 12	Owens Valley ranchers seizure of Alabama Gates, Los Angeles Aqueduct. Owens Valley residents eating at aqueduct. Date: 1924 1924
Box 16 : 13	Owens Valley ranchers seizure of Alabama Gates, Los Angeles Aqueduct. Caption: "If I am not on the job, You can find me <u>at the</u>AQUEDUCT." 1924
Box 16 : 14	Silver Lake. Topaz Lake, sent to J. D. Black
Box 16 : 15	Palisade Glacier. 2 postcards
Box 16 : 16	Mt. Whitney. Mt. Tom
Box 16 : 17	Owens Valley
Box 16 : 18	Duck Lake Trail
Box 16 : 19	Devil's Gate. Owens River at Benton's Crossing. Crowley Lake
Box 16 : 20	Three Native American women with babies. Caption: "Baby Show"
Box 16 : 21	Native American man. Caption: "Old Steve and wickieup."
Box 16 : 22	Native American baskets. Caption: "Prize baskets."
Box 16 : 23	Native American man. Caption: "Tom Bowers Piute (sic) Indian." 3 postcards
Box 16 : 24	Native American dwelling. Caption: "Indian Medicine House." 3 postcards
Box 16 : 25	Native American woman at grindstone. 3 postcard
Box 16 : 26	Native American woman weaving basket. Caption: "Mahala making baskets." 2 postcards
Box 16 : 27	Native American man making fire. Caption: "Sporty Jack The Fire Maker." 3 postcards
Box 16 : 28	Native American women walking, with baskets on back. Caption: "Mahalas Homeward Bound." 3 postcards
Box 16 : 29	Native American symbols inscribed on rock. Caption: "Hieroglyphic." 2 postcards.
Box 16 : 30	Scotty's Castle, Death Valley. 13 postcards, including Death Valley Scotty (Walter Scott), and Albert and Bessie Johnson
Box 16 : 31	Saloon, Virginia City, Nevada. Caption: "World famous Crystal Bar and Clock, Virginia City, Nev."
Box 16 : 32	Miners, Virginia City, Nevada. Caption: "ConVirginia Mining Co. Virginia City, Nevada."
Box 16 : 33	Parade, Virginia City, Nevada. Caption: "Co. B Emmitt Guard, Virginia City, Nevada."
Box 16 : 34	Candelaria, Nevada, train depot. Caption: "Candelaria Depot 1898. Fred Barnes, Conductor. Frank Regan, Brakeman. Abe Church, Engineer. Johnnie McGillis, Fireman. Chas. Meadows, Mail Clerk." 1898

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- Box 16 : 35 **Freight wagons. Caption: "Old Historic 20 Mule Team Borax Wagons--Death Valley." Handwritten note on man in photograph: "Bill Mendenhall"**
- Box 16 : 36 **Team of horses hauling felled trees. Caption: "Hauling Logs to Mammoth Sawmill"**
- Box 16 : 37 **House, Rhyolite, Nevada. Caption: " 'Bottle House' Built Entirely of Discarded Beer Bottles"**
- Box 16 : 38 **Big Pine high school building**
- Box 16 : 39 **Community celebration: Big Pine or Bishop, California. "1908" written on front. Written on back: "Carrie Scott" and "1st white umbrella the right hand corner Mom and Dad before they were married." 1908**
- Box 16 : 40 **Gag postcards. 2**
- Box 16 : 41 **Postcard from Anchorage, Alaska, to Jack Black 1940**
- Box 16 : 42 **Mono Lake. Lassen Volcanic National Park. Color postcards**
- Series 3. Subseries B: **Abandoned Properties, Owens Valley 1930-1934**
- Physical Description: 1 box**
- Box 17 : 10 **Abandoned houses, including Gregg building. Caption: "Gregg Bldng." 4 photographs 1934**
- Box 17 : 11 **Abandoned ranch, orchard and other properties, belonging to Bat Steward, Earl Smith. 7 photographs. Originally in box labelled "Water Abandoned Lands Buildings"**
- Box 17 : 12 **Abandoned ranches and house, including Rheinakel, McMurry, Steward properties. Felled fruit trees. 9 photographs. Originally in box labelled "Water Abandoned Lands Buildings"**
- Box 17 : 13 **Abandoned orchard, rural properties, including Steward properties. 8 photographs. Originally in box labelled "Water Abandoned Lands Buildings"**
- Box 17 : 14 **Abandoned farm/ranch houses, farms, including Tyler, Benner, Ostrander, and Thomas properties. 9 photographs. Originally in box labelled "Water Abandoned Lands Buildings"**
- Box 17 : 15 **Abandoned farm/ranch houses, including Hession, Standinger places. 10 photographs. Originally in box labelled "Water Abandoned Lands Buildings" 1930 1932**
- Box 17 : 16 **Abandoned farm/ranch houses, including Meyers, McMurry, Steward, Partridge places. 7 photographs. Originally in box labelled "Water Abandoned Lands Buildings." Negatives in Box 18, Folder 14, this series**
- Box 17 : 17 **Abandoned farm/ranch homes, barns, corrals, silos, including Hession, Wilson, Willis places. 11 photographs. Originally in box labelled "Water Abandoned Lands Buildings"**
- Box 17 : 18 **Abandoned farm/ranch houses, barns, silo, cellar, including Benner, Steward, Utter, and Thomas places. 16 photographs. Originally in box labelled "Water Abandoned Lands Buildings"**
- Box 17 : 19 **Abandoned farm/ranch houses, orchards, including Wilson and Hession orchards. 10 photographs. Originally in box labelled "Water Abandoned Lands Buildings"**
- Box 17 : 20 **Abandoned farm/ranch houses, including Willis, McMurry, and Farrington places. 9 photographs. Originally in box labelled "Water Abandoned Lands Buildings"**
- Box 17 : 21 **Abandoned farm/ranch houses, including Albers and Rossi places. 8 photographs. Originally in box labelled "Water Abandoned Lands Buildings"**
- Box 17 : 22 **Abandoned farm/ranch houses, including McCullough and Smith places. 7 photographs. Originally in box labelled "Water Abandoned Lands Buildings"**
- Box 17 : 23 **Abandoned houses, including Tate, Lane, Meyers (Big Pine, California?). 8 photographs 1924**
- Box 17 : 24 **Abandoned homes, businesses, Big Pine, California. Cordwood from orchard. 4 photographs**
- Box 17 : 25 **Abandoned Eugley home, Big Pine, California. 8 photographs. Originally in envelope labelled: "Old Eugley House--torn down August 1932. (The place we first occupied when we hit Big Pine 1902)." Negatives in Box 18, Folder 15 1932**
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- Box 17 : 26 **Abandoned "Big Pine Citizen" (newspaper) building; caption: "Freedom of the Press via Los Angelesism Final Issue 1932 Edged in Black." Abandoned Barmore home; caption: "Wind Tornado or Laism? (Barmore Home) Big Pine Citizen Editor." 1932**
- Box 17 : 33 **Abandoned school house, farm/ranch houses, orchards, with names of former owners and date of purchase by City of Los Angeles (recorded by J. D. Black?). 25 photographs**
- Box 17 : 34 **Abandoned farm/ranch houses, school house, including Tyler, Bowles, Hession, Wilson places. 9 photographs. Notes (by J. D. Black?) re these pictures in Box 16, Folder 55, this series**

Series 4 **Protest Correspondence 1946-1960**

Physical Description: 14 folder

- Box 13 : 1 **Tax protests to county tax and assessor (carbon copies and originals). Cf. Series 1, Subseries F 1952-1956**
- Box 13 : 2 **Tax protests to county tax and assessor (carbon copies and originals). Cf. Series 1, Subseries F 1957-1960**
- Box 13 : 3 **Corr., with supporting materials, to county officials, especially re Big Pine Cemetery 1956-1958**
- Box 13 : 4 **Incoming and outgoing corr. to U.S. senators, representatives, and federal officials re Colorado River projects and Owens Valley water controversy (carbon copies and originals) 1948-1949**
- Box 13 : 5 **Incoming and outgoing corr. to U.S. senators, representatives, and federal officials re Colorado River projects and Owens Valley water controversy (carbon copies and originals) 1950-1951**
- Box 13 : 6 **Incoming and outgoing corr., telegrams to U.S. senators, representatives, and federal officials re Colorado River projects and Owens Valley water controversy (carbon copies and originals) 1952-1953**
- Box 14 : 1 **Incoming and outgoing corr., telegrams to U.S. senators, representatives, and federal officials re Colorado River projects and Owens Valley water controversy (carbon copies and originals) 1954 1956-1957**
- Box 14 : 2 **Outgoing corr., supporting materials to President Harry S. Truman re Owens Valley water controversy (carbon copies and originals) 1949-1952**
- Box 14 : 3 **Corr. re Owens Valley water controversy to California governors and state legislators (carbon copies and originals) 1932-1951 (dates broken)**
- Box 14 : 4 **Corr. to California governors and state legislators re Owens Valley water controversy (carbon copies and originals) 1953-1960 (dates broken)**
- Box 14 : 5 **Outgoing and incoming corr., telegrams to Los Angeles mayors re Owens Valley water controversy (carbon copies and originals) 1948-1949 1956**
- Box 14 : 6 **Outgoing corr. (copies) to equalization boards re taxes. Cf. Series 1, Subseries A 1954 1956 1959**
- Box 15 : 1 **Outgoing and incoming corr., telegrams, greeting cards, newspaper clippings to Colorado and Arizona governors re California claims to Colorado River water (carbon copies and originals) 1946-1956 (dates broken)**
- Box 15 : 2 **Outgoing and incoming corr. to personal friends re Owens Valley Water controversy and personal matters 1948-1957 (dates broken)**
- Box 15 : 3 **Copies of corr. re J. D. Black article on Los Angeles and water in California Mining Journal; two issues of *California Mining Journal*, vol. 23 1954**

Series 5 **Personal Correspondence and Records 1906-1988**

Physical Description: 21 folders, 1 oversize folder

- Box 1 : 8 **Legal documents, assessor's maps, tax receipts, corr. re property ownership in Owens Valley of J. D. Black estate (originals, photocopies and photostats). Newspaper clippings re Owens Valley water controversy 1961-1986 (dates broken)**
- Box 1 : 10 **Copy of the "Megaphone", Bishop High School newspaper undated**
- Box 1 : 11 **J. D. Black corr., including letter from W. W. Watterson, and agreements re mining interests 1922 1926**
- Box 1 : 12 **Receipts, corr. re Black's Store 1917 1932-1933**
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- Box 1 : 13 **Contracts, leases, memoranda of agreement re mining interests of John and J. D. Black (originals and carbon copies) 1906-1922 (dates broken)**
- Box 1 : 14 **Tax receipts, corr. re tax payments on Los Angeles Department of Water and Power ownership of property contested by J. D. Black 1931-1940**
- Box 1 : 15 **Spiral notebook containing record of foodstuff purchases; coupon checks for Black's Store undated**
- Box 1 : 16 **Bishop Union High School commencement card; railway express shipping receipt; chronology of blizzard of 1933; postcard from Eastern California Museum to Mrs. J. D. Black 1949 1952 1975**
- Box 15 : 3 **Corr., programs re Lick-Wilmerding School 50th anniversary. Alumni news letter. Alumni flyer. Undated photographs of J.D. Black and fellow students at Lick-Wilmerding; some students identified 1946- 1955 (dates broken)**
- Box 15 : 4 **Postcards, telegrams, corr., clippings re affairs of J. D. Black; Virginia Sophia Black infant medical certificate 1918-1959 (dates broken)**
- Box 15 : 6 **Corr., miscellany re affairs of Sophie and J.D. Black; business license for Black's Store; business corr. of Barbara Fitzpatrick Black; notebook with list of Big Pine cemetery gravesites; blank copies of quartz claims, mortgage forms; copy of *Proof of Annual Labor, Lode or Placer*, for J. D. Black and Rosalind Black Shaw 1898-1980 (dates broken)**
- Box 15 : 7 ***Notice of Location, Quartz Claim*. Made by Rosalind M. Shaw (née Black) and J. D. Black. Fragile condition 1951**
- Box 15 : 8 **Miscellany: Thank you card from family of General James Doolittle; business card; blank check; memo book, notebook; materials re California State Grange; "Basket Collection" report 1917-1988 (dates broken)**
- Box 15 : 9 **Flyers re Fourth of July festivities, Lone Pine, California undated**
- Box 19 : 1-3 **Rosalind Shaw (née Black) and J. D. Black date books, with newspaper clippings 1960**
- Box 19 : 4 **Ledger and receipts re grocery store stock; with newspaper clippings (see Box 19, Folder 5, this series) undated**
- Box 19 : 5 **Newspaper clippings originally with ledger re grocery store stock (see Box 19, Folder 4, this series) undated**
- Box 19 : 6 **Ledger and receipts re grocery store stock; with newspaper clippings (see Box 19, Folder 7, this series) undated**
- Box 19 : 7 **Newspaper clippings originally with ledger re grocery store stock (see Box 19, Folder 6, this series) undated**
- Box 13ov : 7 **Advertising flyer: Hazleton's Department Store, Bishop, California undated**
 Series 5, Subseries A: **World War I, World II, Korean War Correspondence 1917-1952**
Physical Description: 21 folders, 1 oversize folder
- Box 6 : 1 **J.D. Black incoming corr. from World War I servicemen of the Owens Valley to J. D. Black. Fragile material; restricted use 1918**
- Box 6 : 2 **J.D. Black incoming corr. from World War I servicemen of the Owens Valley 1917-1919**
- Box 6 : 3 **Postcards from World War I servicemen of the Owens Valley to J.D. Black 1917-1919**
- Box 7 : 1 **J.D. Black incoming corr, postcards, photostatic letters from World War II servicemen of the Owens Valley 1943-1945**
- Box 7 : 2 **J.D. Black incoming corr., some with accompanying photographs, from World War II servicemen of the Owens Valley 1942 1944-1945**
- Box 7 : 3 **Christmas and season's greeting cards from World War II servicemen of the Owens Valley to J.D. Black 1943-1945**
- Box 7 : 4 **J.D. Black incoming corr. from Korean War serviceman of the Owens Valley 1952**
- Box 7 : 5 **Miscellany: American Legion president and delegates dinner program; newspaper clippings. Originally found with corr. of servicemen 1942 1944**
- Box 7 : 6 **World War I war song; Woodrow Wilson's war message to U. S. Congress (booklet). Invitation to knitting bee at Big Pine, California; from World War I era. Originally found with corr. of servicemen 1918**
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Series 6 **Personal Notes undated**

Physical Description: 2 boxes

Box 21 : 1-5

Notes re Owens Valley water controversy. Cf. Series 2, Box 14ov, for companion newspaper clippings undated

Box 22 : 1-5

Notes, notebooks re Owens Valley water controversy. Cf. Series 2, Box 14ov, for companion newspaper clippings undated