Brisbane Library History Collection

Brisbane Library
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Descriptive Summary
Title: Brisbane library history collection
Dates: Approximately 1850-2005
Bulk Dates: 1900-1982
Collection number: Consult library
Collector: Brisbane Library
Collection Size: Approximately 175 items, including photographs, postcards, and printed ephemera
Repository: Brisbane Library
Brisbane, CA 94005
Abstract: The Brisbane Library History Collection includes images of historical interest to Brisbane, San Francisco and San Mateo County. The collection includes images from the mid-1800s to the present, with the majority of the images from the 1900s to the 1980s. These images document commercial, residential and public buildings (such as Brisbane Elementary School), San Bruno Mountain, historic and annual events (notably the Fourth of July celebrations and the Western Days parade), street scenes, small town life, group and family portraits, and significant individuals. The collection illustrates the diverse nature of Brisbane residents and records the changes that have taken place in the community.
Languages: Languages represented in the collection: English
http://content.cdlib.org/search?style=oac-img&sort=title&relation=ark:/13030/kt3t1nd0wn
Access
Collection open for research.

Preferred Citation
Brisbane library history collection, Brisbane Library, Brisbane, CA 94005

Acquisition Information
Collected by Brisbane Library staff and others, 1974-present

Project Information
These images were assembled from items held by the Brisbane Library History Collection, and were digitized in order to provide broader access to information about Brisbane's past. The digitization project will allow the Brisbane Library to work closely with local teachers and students and develop collaborative projects using the History Collection. Other History Collection users, such as local residents, genealogists, environmentalists, authors, filmmakers, and developers will also benefit from the wider access provided by the project.

This project was part of the California Local History Digital Resources Project (LHDRP), 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 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 about the LHDRP, see http://www.cdlib.org/inside/projects/oac/lsta/.

Project activities spanned from July 2007 through June 2008. Activities included digitization and cataloging of selected photographs, postcards, and other printed ephemera in the History Collection. Digital objects were created and cataloged using CONTENTdm, a digital asset management tool shared by LHDRP participants. The cataloging conforms to the CDL's Guidelines for Digital Objects specifications for descriptive and copyright metadata (see http://www.cdlib.org/inside/diglib/guidelines/).

Digitization was performed by Northern Micrographics using flatbed scanners. For each physical item, three digital image files were created: a TIFF master, a JPEG access image, and a GIF thumbnail image. Digital image files conform to the CDL's Guidelines for Digital Images (see http://www.cdlib.org/inside/diglib/guidelines/bpgimages/).

Scope and Content of Collection
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Items were selected from a larger collection held by the Brisbane Library. That collection includes approximately 5000 images, 300 negatives, books about Brisbane, tape recorded oral histories, local newspapers dating back to 1930s, local history clippings and pamphlet files, and a few artifacts. Consult the library for more information.

**Indexing Terms**

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection.

**Names**
Allemand family  
Blair family  
Blair, Linwood  
Blair, Vera  
Blair, Walter  
Bouret-White, Claire  
Gomez, Dolores  
Hosking, Richard  
Leese family  
Martin, John  
Miller, Anja  
Mozzetti, Charles  
Radoff, Dorothy  
Thilmany, Christina  
Zeiltemann family  

**Places**
Brisbane (Calif.)  
South San Francisco (Calif.)  
Brisbane (Calif.)  
San Francisco (Calif.)  
San Mateo County (Calif.)  

**Topics**
Automobile service stations--1930-1960  
Blair's Rangers  
Boat and Ship Industry--1900-1920  
Brisbane Western Days Parade  
Building dedications  
City and town life--California  
Cityscapes--California--Brisbane  
Civil defense--California--San Mateo County  
Drum and bugle corps  
Fourth of July celebrations  
Hotels--California  
Libraries--California  
Military personnel--1910-1920  
Military personnel--1940-1950  
Motion picture theaters  
Natural disasters--California  
Pacific Gas and Electric Company--History  
Parades--California  
Parties  
Patriotic societies
Politicians
Protest movements
Public utility companies--1900-1910
Railroads--California--1900-1910
School children
Schools--California--San Mateo County
Scouts and scouting
Teachers--California
Telephone--directories
Volunteers
World War, 1914-1918--California
World War, 1939-1945--California

Genres and Forms of Material
Books--1940-1950
Manuscripts
Maps--reproduction
Photographic postcards--1910-1920
Photographic postcards--1930-1940
Photographic postcards--1940-1950
Photographic prints--1940-1950
Photographic prints--1850-1860
Photographic prints--1900-1910
Photographic prints--1910-1920
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Photographic prints--2000-2010