Overview of the Collection

Collection Title: Adohr Farms Collection  
Dates: 1937-1940  
Identification: SC/AFP  
Creator: Adohr Milk Farms  
Physical Description: 2.05 linear feet  
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Repository: Special Collections  

Abstract: This collection consists of publicity materials for Adohr Farms. Box 1 contains 27 photographs of Adohr Farms dairy operations in Reseda and Buttonwillow, California, that have been mounted on black board and captioned. Box 2 consists of 8 digitized 16mm films that feature Adohr Farms land, livestock, and dairy operations. Box 3 contains selected issues of Toreadohr, the Adohr Farms newsletter.

Historical Note:  
The Adohr Farms milk dairy was located in Tarzana, California at Ventura Boulevard and Lindley Avenue. The dairy was established by Merritt Adamson 1916, and named for his wife, Rhoda (spelled backwards). During the Depression, the Adamson’s sold off most of their land. In the late 1940s, Adohr Farms moved to Camarillo, and was eventually sold to Southland Corporation in the mid-1960s.

Genre/Form of Material:  
Photographic material  
Publications  

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Scope and Contents  
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Box 1, Folder 1  
Few dairy cows attain such fame as Linetta of Adohr.  

Box 1, Folder 2  
The Adohr Certified Farm produces more Certified Milk than any other farm in America.  

Box 1, Folder 3  
Four grand Champions came from the Adohr herd in 1937.  

Box 1, Folder 4  
Aerial view of Adohr Certified Farm at 18000 Ventura Boulevard, Reseda, California.  

Box 1, Folder 5  
Grazing is a rare privilege for cows in the Adohr Milking herd.  
https://digital-collections.csun.edu/digital/collection/SFVH/id/3681/rec/2
Box 1, Folder 6  Shirley Temple and two calves at Adohr Farms, circa 1937. https://digital-collections.csun.edu/digital/collection/SFVH/id/3683/rec/26

Box 1, Folder 7  All the processing equipment is stainless steel - other metals sometimes cause the milk to have a metallic taste. https://digital-collections.csun.edu/digital/collection/SFVH/id/3674/rec/18

Box 1, Folder 8  Aerial views of Reseda dairy [caption missing]. https://digital-collections.csun.edu/digital/collection/SFVH/id/3688/rec/28

Box 1, Folder 9  The Guernsey Breed of cattle was developed on the Isle of Guernsey, one of the small Channel Islands off the coast of France. https://digital-collections.csun.edu/digital/collection/SFVH/id/3647/rec/5

Box 1, Folder 10  View of stainless steel milk processor [caption missing]. https://digital-collections.csun.edu/digital/collection/SFVH/id/3694/rec/24

Box 1, Folder 11  Before any cow joins the milking herd, she must undergo a rigid physical examination. https://digital-collections.csun.edu/digital/collection/SFVH/id/3657/rec/7

Box 1, Folder 12  In the Adohr Laboratories, tests of the milk are being made daily. https://digital-collections.csun.edu/digital/collection/SFVH/id/3687/rec/19

Box 1, Folder 13  Nowhere in the country are conditions more favorable to the production of good milk than in Southern California. https://digital-collections.csun.edu/digital/collection/SFVH/id/3660/rec/1

Box 1, Folder 14  A great deal of the alfalfa hay for the Adohr herd is raised on the 2500 Adohr ranch at Buttonwillow. https://digital-collections.csun.edu/digital/collection/SFVH/id/3665/rec/125

Box 1, Folder 15  The most modern bottle washers make it certain that every bottle will be thoroughly clean and sterile. https://digital-collections.csun.edu/digital/collection/SFVH/id/3682/rec/17

Box 1, Folder 16  Miss Angela Ficker, Queen of the 1935 Los Angeles County Fair poses with Adohr’s Grand Champion Guernseys. https://digital-collections.csun.edu/digital/collection/SFVH/id/3680/rec/4

Box 1, Folder 17  Your Adohr man delivers more than 35 quality dairy products to your door. https://digital-collections.csun.edu/digital/collection/SFVH/id/3671/rec/10

Box 1, Folder 18  Corium Slogan’s Oliver was National Grand Champion Guernsey Bull in 1935, and State Champion in 1936 and 1937. https://digital-collections.csun.edu/digital/collection/SFVH/id/3667/rec/23

Box 1, Folder 19  It takes nearly 300 of these enclosed, modern trucks to deliver the Adohr Milk to your home. https://digital-collections.csun.edu/digital/collection/SFVH/id/3659/rec/20

Box 1, Folder 20  Adohr Irradiated Vitamin D Milk is processed in this stainless steel irradiator. https://digital-collections.csun.edu/digital/collection/SFVH/id/3673/rec/15

Box 1, Folder 21  The milk is bottled a few minutes after it is milked and cooled. https://digital-collections.csun.edu/digital/collection/SFVH/id/3689/rec/14

Box 1, Folder 22  Gov. Allred of Texas presents Cliff Knight of Adohr with the coveted Governor’s Trophy, awarded for the best 10 head of dairy cattle entered at the show. https://digital-collections.csun.edu/digital/collection/SFVH/id/3651/rec/6

Box 1, Folder 23  When President Roosevelt made his goodwill tour on the U.S.S. Houston in 1936, Adohr Milk was chosen to go on the ship with him. https://digital-collections.csun.edu/digital/collection/SFVH/id/3662/rec/8

Box 1, Folder 24  On every Certified Bottle is this guarantee of purity. https://digital-collections.csun.edu/digital/collection/SFVH/id/3670/rec/9

Box 1, Folder 25  Only at Adohr can you get four Certified Milks. https://digital-collections.csun.edu/digital/collection/SFVH/id/3692/rec/10

Box 1, Folder 26  The laboratory of the Medical Milk Commission, located at the University of Southern California, is the most complete for this purpose of any in the country. https://digital-collections.csun.edu/digital/collection/SFVH/id/3664/rec/11

Box 1, Folder 27  This chart shows how control measures protect Certified Milk from every kind of contamination. https://digital-collections.csun.edu/digital/collection/SFVH/id/3679/rec/16

Box 2, Item 1  FB Judson, Guernsey Girl, Shots of Farm, 1935 April 6

Box 2, Item 2  Guernsey Shot, Alya, Dad & Frank Judson, 1935 April 25

Box 2, Item 3  Wilshire Movies, Roll for Dupe Test, Farm Shots in Color, 1936 February 10

Box 2, Item 4  FB Judson Farm, Scrap, 1937 May 27

Box 2, Item 5  FB Judson, 1937 November 15
Box 2, Item 6  FB Judson Farm, Wheat Waving, 1937 December 21
Box 2, Item 7  FB Judson, Dupe Test, 1937 December 28
Box 2, Item 8  FB Judson, Farm Scene, 1940 July 1
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Box 3, Folder 2  Toreadohr, February 1934
Box 3, Folder 3  Toreadohr, June 1936
Box 3, Folder 4  Toreadohr, October 1937
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