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Creator: Pflueger, Donald H.
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Abstract: Donald H. Pflueger was a history professor at California State Polytechnic University, Pomona for nearly forty years and wrote several books on the Pomona Valley. The collection includes manuscripts, drafts, and research materials for his book California State Polytechnic University, Pomona — A Legacy and a Mission.

Conditions Governing Access
Advance notice required for access.

Conditions Governing Use
No copies may be made of manuscripts and drafts in the collection without the permission of the Donald H. Pflueger estate.

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Immediate Source of Acquisition
Donated by David Pflueger and the Office of Ronald R. Simons. One manuscript deposited on loan by and Professor of History, Emeritus Ralph Shaffer.

Biographical / Historical
Donald H. Pflueger was born in Glendora, California in 1923 and spent his childhood on his parent's citrus farm. Pflueger developed a love for the local area and went on to write several respected books on it, including Glendora—The Annals of a Southern California Community, The Government of California (co-authored with Hugh O. LaBounty), Covina—Sunflowers, Citrus, Subdivisions, and Charles C. Chapman—The Career of a Creative Californian.

After earning a Master's degree in history from Stanford University, Pflueger began teaching at Cal Poly Pomona (then known as the Voorhis Unit) in 1952. Although specializing in history, Pflueger taught all social science courses, ranging from economics to sociology. In 1956, he was was offered an appointment as a Cultural Affairs Officer with the U.S. Information Service and spent the next two years as a Cultural Attache in Jerusalem and Amman, Jordan. Pflueger returned to Cal Poly Pomona in 1958, where he continued his teaching career until his untimely death on November 14, 1994.

For many years, Pflueger had worked on a history of Cal Poly Pomona. In 1983, he was given a grant by Ronald R. Simons, Director of Public Affairs, to complete and publish the book, California State Polytechnic University, Pomona — A Legacy and a Mission, in time for the university's fiftieth anniversary in 1988. University President Hugh O. La Bounty lent his support to the project and several members of the campus community were recruited to review and critique the text. Many efforts were made to shape Pflueger's manuscript to please all parties involved and the subsequent delays caused Pflueger to miss the 1988 deadline. Revisions and editorial disagreements continued until 1991, when Pflueger decided to return the remainder of the grant and pursue independent publication at a later date. Pflueger's development of the large history continued until his death.

In 1997, Danette Cook Adamson, newly appointed Special Collections Librarian, discovered boxes full of Pflueger's research materials and a nearly complete manuscript of the book in the University Archives. Adamson contacted the Dean of the Library, Dr. Harold B. Schliefer, and proposed that they try to publish it. Schliefer then contacted Donald's son, David Pflueger, for permission. David Pflueger agreed to resume the publication effort and various copies were sent out to volunteer editors for review and commentary. The book was soon finalized and published by the Arthur H. Clark Company in 1999. This was the first and continues to be the only book completely dedicated to the history of Cal Poly Pomona.

Scope and Contents
The majority of the collection is drafts and annotated manuscripts of California State Polytechnic University, Pomona—A Legacy and a Mission. The collection also contains research materials for the book, notes, correspondence, photographs, newspaper articles, and publications. The collection documents Donald H. Pflueger's research and writing process from the book's conception to its posthumous publication.

Arrangement
The collection is arranged in two series: 1. Research Materials and 2. Manuscripts and Drafts.
Related Materials
California State Polytechnic University, Pomona University Archives Oral History Collection, Collection no. 0023, University Archives, Special Collections and Archives, University Library, California State Polytechnic University, Pomona.
Chester O. McCorkle Papers, Collection no. 0096, University Archives, Special Collections and Archives, University Library, California State Polytechnic University, Pomona.
Gertrude C. Boland Papers, Collection no. 0081, University Archives, Special Collections and Archives, University Library, California State Polytechnic University, Pomona.
Hugh O. La Bounty Papers, Collection no. 0086, University Archives, Special Collections and Archives, University Library, California State Polytechnic University, Pomona.
Kenneth Haun Kitch Papers, Collection no. 0085, University Archives, Special Collections and Archives, University Library, California State Polytechnic University, Pomona.
Student Wives Poly-Annas Records, Collection no. 0078, University Archives, Special Collections and Archives, University Library, California State Polytechnic University, Pomona.

Separated Materials
Pflueger's copies of *Madre Tierra 1950: California State Polytechnic, San Dimas* and *Madre Tierra 1972: California State Polytechnic College, Kellogg-Voorhis Pomona* were transferred to the University Archives book collection.

Processing Information
The collection was arranged and described by Keena Hildebrandt under the supervision of Alexis Adkins in 2016. The finding aid was revised in 2019 to incorporate additional materials.

Subjects and Indexing Terms
California State Polytechnic University, Pomona

Series 1: Research Materials 1948-1999
Scope and Contents
The series includes Pflueger's subject files, his correspondence about the book and Cal Poly Pomona history, photographs used for research and selected for publication, and correspondence between David Pflueger and Danette Cook Adamson regarding the publication of his father's book.
Arrangement
The series is arranged alphabetically by folder title.

Clippings 1958-1989
Correspondence - David Pflueger 1994-1999
Correspondence - Donald H. Pflueger 1952-1991
Scope and Contents
Includes letters and memos to and from Pflueger discussing the manuscript and details about the history of Cal Poly Pomona. Includes letters from Doyce B. Nunis, Robert L. Maurer, Seldon L. Kempton, Hugh O. La Bounty, Richard Butwell, Ronald R. Simons, Dorothy Roberts, Cathy Cherbosque, Julian McPhee, Robert C. Kramer, Mary Jane Parkinson, Dr. Russell G. Mawby, Lloyd Rolland, and Dean Chester McCorkle.
box 1, folder 8-9  
**Correspondence - Ronald R. Simons 1983-1995**  
**Scope and Contents**  
The file includes correspondence from Pflueger to Simons and copies of letters sent by Simons to Pflueger regarding the manuscript, editing, and early publication efforts. The file also includes Simons' correspondence with Mae Esterline, Hugh O. La Bounty, Robert C. Kramer, Robert E. Kennedy, Robert L. Maurer, and the Castle Press.

box 2, folder 1  
**History of the Cal Poly Student Wives Club circa 1975**  

box 2, folder 2  
**Oral History Interview Questions - Arabian Horse Advisory Committee 1974 October 9**  

box 2, folder 3  
**Oral History Interview Questions - Dr. Robert Maurer 1976**  

box 2, folder 4  
**Oral History Interview Transcript - Mrs. Josephine Beasley 1976 July 23**  
**Scope and Contents**  
Includes transcripts of interviews conducted by Pflueger, sometimes in conjunction with Albert Aschenbrenner, transcripts of interviews conducted by others, questionnaires, and notes. Interviewees include Josephine Beasley, Robert L. Maurer, Dean Chester McCorkle, Julian McPhee, and Norman Williamson Jr.

box 2, folder 5  
**Oral History Interview Transcript - Dean Chester O. McCorkle 1973 March 5**  

box 2, folder 6  
**Oral History Interview Transcript - Dr. Julian McPhee 1966 April 18**  
**Scope and Contents**  
This transcript is a duplicate of the one in Box 1 of the California State Polytechnic University, Pomona University Archives Oral History Collection, Collection no. 23. Audio recordings and digitized audio recordings of the interview are also available in that collection.

box 2, folder 7  
**Oral History Interview Transcript - Norman Williamson, Jr. 1975**  

box 2, folder 8-9  
**Photographs 1948-1998**  
**Scope and Contents**  
The file includes photographs of the Cal Poly Pomona campus, Arabian horses, Myron Angel, and W.K. Kellogg; Arabian horse postcards; and photocopies of photographs selected for publication.

box 2, folder 10  
**Printed Materials - Careers in Engineering California State Polytechnic College 1961 December**  

box 2, folder 11  
**Printed Materials - Cal Poly Athletic Hall of Fame Induction Ceremonies Program 1988 May 7**  

box 2, folder 12  
**Printed Materials - Cal Poly Bronco Brands Student Directory 1952-1953**  
**Scope and Contents**  
The directory was edited and published by the San Dimas chapter of the California Young Farmers Association.

box 2, folder 13  
**Printed Materials - Cal Poly Pomona Alumni Association Registration Form after 1972**  

box 2, folder 14  
**Printed Materials - Cal Poly Pomona Brochure circa 1977**  

box 2, folder 15  
**Printed Materials - Cal Poly Profile Brochure before 1966**  

box 2, folder 16  
**Printed Materials - The California State Colleges Brochure 1963 June**  

box 2, folder 17  
**Printed Materials - California State Polytechnic College Voorhis Unit Educational Center Brochure circa 1963**  

box 2, folder 18  
**Printed Materials - Campus Map 1985**  

box 2, folder 19  
**Printed Materials - "Civil Engineering and You" Brochure after 1951**  

box 2, folder 20  
**Scope and Contents**  
The pamphlets are published by the Whittier Historical Society.

box 2, folder 21  
**Printed Materials - The Inauguration of Hugh Orvice La Bounty, Jr. as President of the California State Polytechnic University, Pomona Program 1978 October 31**  

box 2, folder 22  
**Printed Materials - The Junior Engineering Technical Society Brochure circa 1966**
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### Research Notes

- Senior Project - "A History of California State Polytechnic College, Voorhis Campus 1938-1958" 1962 April 7
- Senior Project - "History of the California State Polytechnic University Library" 1976 August

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Student Paper - "W.K. Kellogg: Philanthropist and Businessman" 1976 May 26
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Student Paper - "A Year at Cal Poly Pomona September 1961 to June 1962" circa 1981
box 4
Student Paper - "A Year Reviewed at Cal Poly July '72 - June '73" circa 1981
box 4, box 5
Subject File - Arabian Horses 1972-1986
Scope and Contents
The file includes photocopies of the 1937 book The Romance of Pomona Ranch and photocopies of Kellogg Ranch papers.

box 5
Subject File - Cal Poly Pomona History 1962-1988
Scope and Contents
The file includes photocopies of historical papers on Cal Poly Pomona dating from 1900 to 1988, including the San Luis Obispo and Voorhis campuses. Also includes the text of a speech by Pflueger titled, "Cal Poly: From Kellogg Beginnings to Six Colleges and 19,000 Students."

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Subject File - Cal Poly Pomona 50th Anniversary 1988
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Series 2: Manuscripts and Drafts 1988-1999
Scope and Contents
The series contains manuscripts and drafts of Pflueger's book California State Polytechnic University, Pomona—A Legacy and a Mission. Materials produced during Pflueger's lifetime include multiple nearly completed first drafts of the manuscript and loose chapters; multiple copies of a second draft sent by Pflueger to several editors for their input, including copies sent to Administrative Vice President of Cal Poly San Luis Obispo Harold O. Wilson, Professor of Psychology Dorothy Tucker, Cal Poly San Luis Obispo Professor of Journalism Ken Kitch, who was himself writing a history of the Voorhis campus, Professor of Economics Gertrude Boland, Professor of English and administrator Albert Aschenbrenner; and a draft produced for Zephyr Publications, the publisher that Pflueger partnered with when he attempted to publish his book independently.

Materials edited after Pflueger's death include a copy of the manuscript given by David Pflueger to his father's colleagues Professors of History, Emeriti Ralph Shaffer and Werner Marti for editing; a copy that David Pflueger donated to the Cal Poly Pomona University Library; and duplicates of this copy made after he agreed to pursue publication. The duplicates include complete copies and copies of individual chapters, which were distributed to volunteer editors to review for factual accuracy and tone. In addition to Shaffer and Marti, editors included Dean of Students Henry House, Professor of English Jack Fulbeck, Harold O. Wilson, Athletic Director Don Warhurst, Hugh O. La Bounty, Cal Poly San Luis Obispo President Robert E. Kennedy, W.K. Kellogg's grandson Norman Williamson Jr., Dean of Arts and Sciences Robert L. Maurer, Ronald R. Simons, and Interim Associate Vice President for Student Support Programs Laraine Turk. Some copies are clearly differentiated by the editor's annotations or attached correspondence, while others have no identifiable variations.

After editing, the book was published by the Arthur H. Clark Company. The series includes multiple galley proof manuscripts produced during the publication process, related correspondence, photocopies of photographs used in the book, and dust jacket samples.
Arrangement
The series is arranged in two subseries: 2.1 Donald H. Pflueger and 2.2 David Pflueger.
Subseries 2.1: Donald H. Pflueger 1988-1997

Scope and Contents
The subseries contains manuscripts and drafts of Donald H. Pflueger's book *California State Polytechnic University, Pomona--A Legacy and a Mission* produced during Pflueger's lifetime. These include multiple nearly completed first drafts of the manuscript and loose chapters; multiple copies of a second draft sent by Pflueger to other Cal Poly Pomona faculty and administrators for edit; and a draft produced for Zephyr Publications, the publisher that Pflueger partnered with when he attempted to publish his book independently.

Arrangement
The subseries is arranged alphabetically by folder title.

box 6
Draft Proposal - Book on the 50th Anniversary of the Kellogg Arabians before 1994

box 6
Early Chapter Drafts and Notes circa 1988

Scope and Contents
The file includes one version donated by the Office of Ronald R. Simons.

box 7
Manuscript - Copy 1 circa 1988

box 8
Manuscript - Copy 2 circa 1988

box 9
Manuscript - Copy 3 - Edited by Harold O. Wilson 1989

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Manuscript - Copy 4 - Edited by Kenneth H. Kitch 1993

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Manuscript - Copy 5 - Edited by Norman Schneider circa 1988

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Manuscript - Copy 6 - Edited by Dorothy Tucker circa 1988

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Manuscript - Copy 7 - Edited by Gertrude Boland circa 1988

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Manuscript - Copy 9 circa 1988

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Manuscript - Copy 10 circa 1988

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Manuscript - Copy 11 - Zephyr Publications circa 1991

box 13
Manuscript - Copy 12 - Edited by by Ralph Shaffer and Werner Marti 1997

Scope and Contents
This copy was given to Professors of History, Emeriti Ralph Shaffer and Werner Marti, by David Pflueger. Both Shaffer and Marti annotated the manuscript and then returned a copy of the annotated manuscript to David Pflueger. Shaffer retained the original and subsequently deposited it on loan to the University Archives.

box 13
Manuscript - Copy 13 - Edited by Andrew Rolle circa 1991

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Manuscript - Copy 15 circa 1991

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Manuscript - Copy 16 - Ronald R. Simons' Copy circa 1991

box 15
Manuscript - Copy 17 - Edited by Mae Esterline circa 1991

Scope and Contents
The file contains two versions of each chapter: Pflueger's original version with Esterline's annotations and a version retyped by Esterline to include her edits. The file also includes correspondence from Esterline to Hugh O. La Bounty and correspondence from La Bounty to Pflueger.

box 15
Manuscript Sections 1991-1993
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Subseries 2.2: David Pflueger 1998-1999

Scope and Contents
The subseries contains manuscripts and drafts of Donald H. Pflueger’s book *California State Polytechnic University, Pomona--A Legacy and a Mission* edited after his death in 1994 under the supervision of his son, David. These include David Pflueger’s master copy; multiple copies sent to volunteer editors including Cal Poly Pomona faculty and administrators.

Arrangement
The subseries is arranged alphabetically by folder title.

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box 16
Manuscript - Copy 18 (Master Copy) 1998 January 19

Scope and Contents
Marked "Copy 5." Does not include annotations.

box 16
Manuscript - Copy 19 (Duplicate) 1998 January 19

box 16
Manuscript - Copy 20 - Edited by by Laraine Turk, Interim Associate Vice President for Student Support Programs 1998 April 8

box 16
Manuscript - Copy 21 - Edited by Anita Martin 1998

box 17
Manuscript - Copy 22 - Revised Edits by Ralph Shaffer and Werner Marti Based on Laraine Turk's Annotations 1998 May 15

Scope and Contents
This manuscript was mailed to David Pflueger by Danette Cook Adamson with a note that it included Shaffer and Marti’s suggested edits based on Laraine Turk’s marked passages. It appears that Adamson marked this copy herself after comparing Shaffer and Marti’s copy with Turk’s copy.

box 17
Manuscript - Copy 23 - Chapters 1998

Scope and Contents
The file includes annotations and letters from Dr. Harold B. Schleifer, Henry House, Jack Fulbeck, Harold O. Wilson, Don Warhurst, Werner Marti, Hugh O. La Bounty, Robert E. Kennedy, Norman Williamson Jr., Robert L. Maurer, Ronald R. Simons, and Laraine D. Turk

box 17
Manuscript - Copy 24 1998

box 18
Manuscript - Copy 25 circa 1998

box 18
Manuscript - Copy 26 circa 1998

box 18
Manuscript - Copy 27 1998

Scope and Contents
Includes a letter from Cal Poly San Luis Obispo president Robert E. Kennedy.

box 19
Manuscript - Copy 28 1998

Scope and Contents
Appears to be a draft used for editing the manuscript using PageMaker publishing software.

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Scope and Contents  
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| 21  | **Manuscript - Copy 35 - Annotated Photocopy of Galley Proof 1999 October 13** |
| 22  | **Manuscript - Copy 36 - Arthur H. Clark Company Finals with Corrections 1999 October 18** |
| 22  | **Manuscript - Digital Versions 1999 October 5**  
Physical Description: (20 floppy disks and one zip disk) |
| 22  | **Photographs, List of Illustrations, and Captions (Photocopies) 1998-1999, undated** |