Guide to the Andreas Brown Collection MS 270

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Title: Andreas Brown Collection
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Language of Material: English
Physical Description: 5.5 Linear feet (9 boxes)
Date (inclusive): 1683-1984
Language of Materials: Collection materials are in English and Spanish.
Abstract: The collection is comprised of San Diego related materials collected by Andreas Brown, a San Diego native and one-time owner of Gotham Book Mart in New York City.
creator: Brown, Andreas

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Biographical / Historical Notes
Andreas Brown grew up in Coronado, San Diego. He graduated from Hoover High School in 1951 and then earned a degree in economics from San Diego State University. After graduating, he pursued law school at Stanford University, but quickly abandoned the idea after a brief stint with the U.S. Army’s Judge Advocate General Corps. After returning to San Diego where he taught speech at SDSU for 3 years, he moved to San Francisco, where he started working as an appraiser for rare books and manuscripts.
Brown frequently visited New York on business, and became a regular at Gotham Book Mart and friends with the bookstore’s owner, Frances Steloff. Steloff later sold the store to Brown in 1967. Brown went on to run the Gotham Book Mart until it closed in 2007. Throughout his tenure there, Brown collected a large variety of materials related to his hometown, much of which he passed on to San Diego Historical Society.

Scope and Content
The collection consists primarily of ephemera related to San Diego history, events, people, and organizations, but also includes original documents, including correspondence. There are maps related to specific San Diego neighborhoods, like Coronado, and advertisements for prominent businesses. Administrative materials regarding San Diego city departments are present, as are documents about transportation, including the San Diego Trolley and the major San Diego railways. There are also publications and announcements of local school activities.
A large portion of the collection relates to tourist information, especially the two major exhibitions held in San Diego: the Panama-California Exposition (1915-1916) and the California Pacific International Exposition (1935-1936). Other tourism materials include guidebooks, travel maps, and pamphlets about local attractions, including the San Diego Zoo.
Of particular interest are original documents Brown collected, including an 1846 inventory of the San Diego Mission and a copy of a 17th century map of California by famous map maker Alain Manesson Mallet.

Separated Materials
Map of Rancho San Vicente (1869) previously separated to Map Collection.
Items separated to the Object Collection:
Golden Hill pharmacy bottle
San Diego transit token
San Diego Exposition (1935) souvenir penny
San Diego Gas & Electric pin
San Diego Exposition (1935) pendent
San Diego Gas & Electric lighter
Point Loma lighthouse necklace
2 San Diego Gas & Electric pens
La Jolla souvenir spoon
Tijuana, Mexico souvenir spoon
“S.D.A.C.” spoon
San Diego pennant
12 souvenir matchbooks
Panama souvenir coin
2 San Diego Exposition (1935) spoons
Lindbergh commemorative coin
20 souvenir matchbooks

**Physical Characteristics and Technical Requirements**
Some paper documents are fragile. (May 3, 2012)

**Arrangement**
The collection is arranged into eight series:
Series I: San Diego City and County
Series II: Business
Series III: Transportation
Series IV: Tourism
Series V: Schools
Series VI: Organizations and Activities
Series VII: Literature, Music, and Entertainment
Series VIII: Original Documents
Items in each series are arranged by subject.

**Immediate Source of Acquisition**
Accession numbers 840519A, 860703B, 870113A, 880329A, 900724, 910612, 971201, 980909a-h.

**Subjects and Indexing Terms**
Alvarado, Francisco Maria
Arguello, Santiago
Conair, Inc..
Estudillo, Jose Antonio
Harbison, J. S. (John S.)
Hotel del Coronado (Coronado, Calif.).
Jackson, Helen Hunt, 1830-1885
Jacobs-Bond, Carrie, 1862-1946
Lindbergh, Charles A. (Charles Augustus), 1902-1974
Marston's Department Store.
Martin, Fernando, Father
Panama-California Exposition (1915 : San Diego, Calif.).
Panama-California International Exposition (1916 : San Diego, Calif.).
Pumphrey, Margaret B. (Margaret Blanche), b. 1872
Remondino, Peter Charles, 1846-1926
San Diego & Arizona Eastern Railway Company.
San Diego Electric Railway.
San Diego Mission.
San Diego State College.
San Diego Trolley.
San Diego Zoo.
Sanborn, S. S.
Theosophical Society in America.
Tingley, Katherine Augusta Westcott, 1847-1929
Wright, Allen Henry
Zoological Society of San Diego.
Advertising
Associations, institutions, etc.
Balboa Park (San Diego, Calif.)
California -- Maps
Clubs
Coronado (Calif.)
Correspondence
El Cajon (Calif.)
Escondido (Calif.)
La Jolla (San Diego, Calif.)
Maps
Poetry
Point Loma (San Diego, Calif.)
Postcards
Ramona (Calif.)
San Diego (Calif.)
Sheet music
Tourism
Tourist maps

Series I: San Diego City and County

Box-folder 1:1 Cabrillo, Juan Rodriguez, 1968
Box-folder 1:2 Coronado, 1903-1927 and undated
Box-folder 1:3 El Cajon, 1899 January 26
Box-folder 1:4 Escondido, undated
Box-folder 1:5 Guidebooks, 1888-1909
Box-folder 1:6 La Jolla properties map, undated
Box-folder 1:7 Little Landers, undated
Box-folder Oversize Logan Heights “Southlook” subdivision, undated

Miscellaneous maps, 1910 and undated
  Includes:
  California State map (in Oversize Collections D6)
  Julian District map (in Oversize Collections D6)
  Lower California map (in Oversize Collections D6)
  Riverside County map (in Oversize Collections D6)
  San Diego County map (in Oversize Collections D6)

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| Box-folder 3:10| Point Loma High School, 1954-1957 |
|                | Includes:                                            |
|                | Football game schedule                              |
|                | Basketball game schedule                            |

| Box-folder 3:11| San Diego Junior High School, 1929 June 20 |
| Box-folder 3:12| San Diego High School, 1892-1909 |
|                | Includes:                                           |
|                | Commencement invitation and program                 |
|                | Copies of “The Russ”, 1903-1909 Graduation diploma for Lois M. Fenn (in Oversize Collections D6) |
### Series V: Schools

#### Box-folder 4:1
**San Diego High School, 1910-1914**
Includes:
- Copies of "The Russ", 1910-1914

#### Box-folder 4:2
**San Diego State College, 1935-1953**
Includes:
- Student directories

#### Box-folder 4:3
**School of Arts and Crafts, undated**

#### Box-folder 4:4
**Sweetwater Union High School, 1921-1922**

#### Box-folder 4:5
**Sweetwater Union High School, 1923-1939**

#### Box-folder 4:6
**Woodrow Wilson Junior High School, 1928-1930**

#### Box-folder 5:1
**Academic publications, 1908 May 28–1910 March 30**

#### Box-folder 5:2
**Academic publications, 1911 November 30–1933 March 14**

### Series VI: Organizations and Activities

#### Box-folder 5:3
**Churches and religious groups, 1873 and undated**
Includes:
- Progressive Church postcard listing public services
- Speech by Thomas L. Nesmith, Senior Warden of Holy Trinity Church
- Cavalry Temple flyer on revival, "The Brooks Ministers"
- First Methodist Church notecard (blank)
- Concert flyer for First Methodist Church

#### Box-folder 5:4
**San Diego First Congregational Church 1940 and undated**

#### Box-folder 5:5
**San Diego Theosophical Society, 1919-1928**

#### Box-folder 5:6
**Historical groups, 1919-1958 and undated**
Includes:
- Sons of the American Revolution
- 49er club
- San Diego Mission Group
- “Felicita” pageant decal
- San Diego Railway Historical Society newsletters, “The Dispatch”

#### Box-folder 5:7
**Sports clubs, 1957-1958 and undated**
Includes:
- Coronado Yacht Club
- Seniors Golf Association
- Jai Alai Association

#### Box-folder 5:8
**Masonic organizations, 1874, 1927**

#### Box-folder 5:9
**Horse racing, 1927-1940 and undated**
Includes:
- Tijuana Racing Club
- Baja Racing Club
- Aqua Caliente Racing Club
- Del Mar Turf Club

#### Box-folder 5:10
**Social clubs, 1927, 1934 and undated**
Includes:
- Coronado Social Club

#### Box-folder 5:11
**Wednesday Club, 1895-1903 and undated**
Box-folder 5:12  San Diego Zoological Society, undated
Box-folder 5:13  San Diego County Federation of Women’s Clubs radio program transcripts, 1949 July 21-1950 March 9
Box-folder 6:1  San Diego County Federation of Women’s Clubs radio program transcripts, 1950 April 27-December 23
Box-folder 6:2  San Diego County Federation of Women’s Clubs radio program transcripts, 1951 January 9-1953 April 16
Box-folder 6:3  San Diego County Federation of Women’s Clubs radio program transcripts, 1953 October 27-1954 March 2
Box-folder 6:4  San Diego County Federation of Women’s Clubs radio program transcripts, 1954 March 16-December 29
Box-folder 6:5  Social events and ceremonies, 1888 May 8-1931 September 16 and undated
  Includes:
  Carmen’s Relief Association Second Annual Ball
  Ford Sedan auto drawing
  12th Annual Apartment House Association of California Convention
  El Cajon Community Men’s Club Jolly Boys Dinner
  San Diego Choral Union parlor concert
  Coronado Spanish fiesta
  Cabrillo celebration
  Third Supervisorial District elections
  Czechoslovak Day
  Datus E. Coon memorial
  Mission Beach Roller derby
  Pacific Skating Rink Roller derby
  Woman’s Home flower festival benefit
  “Wenzell for Mayor” campaign
  Colonial Theatre “Broken Idols” production
  Automobile Club of Southern California Run
  Lindbergh Reception
  Junipero Serra and Thomas Starr King statues unveiling
Box-folder 9:1  Miss San Diego Pageant Scrapbook, 1961-1970 and undated
  Scope and Content
  Personal scrapbook for Margaret “Peggy” Arnhym, Miss San Diego 1962. Materials in the scrapbook consist of photographs, letters, personal notes, and newspaper clippings.
Box-folder 9:2  Miss San Diego Pageant Scrapbook, loose photographs, undated
Box-folder 9:3  Miss San Diego Pageant Scrapbook, loose materials, 1962
Box-folder 9:4  Miss San Diego Pageant Scrapbook, loose materials, 1962
Box-folder 6:6  Military organizations and events, 1913 July 21-1929 December and undated
  Includes:
  U.S. Naval Hospital Christmas program
  Camp Kearny construction press pass
  Camp Kearny visitor entrance pass
  Naval Reserve social club officers list
  Machine Gun Company, 82 Infantry of Camp Kearny Thanksgiving program
  Torpedo Flotilla and Bosbyshell Company banquet
  Coronado Bay and San Pedro submarine torpedo practice
  Naval Reserve retirement of the Portsmouth

Series VII: Literature, Music, and Entertainment
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Box-folder 6:7  Poetry, 1875-1923

Includes:
“The Path o’ Life” by Carrie Jacobs Bond
“Glimpses of San Diego” by Rev. O.W. Gates
“Memories” by Allen Henry Wright
“Wild Mustard and Other Poems” by Lillian Pray-Palmer
“San Diego and Vicinity: Tributes Paid by Well Known Poets”, edited by Allen H. Wright
“Have You a Garden of Allah?” by Fred Rawson

Box-folder 7:1  “The Journey of the Flame” by Antonio de Fierro Blanco, 1933
Box-folder 7:2  “Etcheonda: End of the Road” by D. Pryse-Jones, undated
Box-folder 7:3  “Under Three Flags” by Margaret B. Pumphrey, 1939
Box-folder 7:4  “The Gods Await” by Katherine Tingley, 1894 March
Box-folder 7:5  “Here and There” by P.C. Remondino, 1894

Box-folder 8:1  “Ramona” by Helen Hunt Jackson, 1885-1928

Includes:
2 volume copy of “Ramona”
Pamphlet “Ramona’s Homeland” by Margaret Allen
Helen Hunt Jackson funeral program
“Ramona” sheet music by L. Wolfe Gilbert and Mabel Wayne

Box-folder 8:2  Sheet music, 1926-1961

Includes:
“California’s San Diego” by Durward Johnson and Lottie Hicks
“When I Sit and Dream at Evening” by Ruth Ottinger and Paul F. Anderson
“Lovely San Diego: Heaven on Earth” by Agnes Patterson

Box-folder Oversize Collections D6  Movie posters, undated

Includes:
“Down in San Diego” (3 posters)
“San Diego I Love You” (1 poster)

Series VIII: Original Documents

Box-folder 8:3  San Diego Mission inventory, 1846 January 5

Box-folder 8:4  Legal papers, 1876-1942 and undated

Includes:
Court transcripts, case No. 9205 – The County of San Diego vs. California Southern R.R. Co.
Court transcripts, case No. 5493 – Jared W. Tyson vs. Juan M. Luco
Court transcripts, case No. 5459 – Sophia Porter vs. Joseph Coyne
Report of Committee on Public Lands
Civilian order No. 4 regarding removing people of Japanese descent (in Oversize Collections D6)
Marriage certificate for Chas L. Kimball and Lois M. Fenn (in Oversize Collections D6)
| Box-folder 8:5, 8:6, 8:7, 8:8 | **S.S. Sanborn "Letters" book, 1874 May 16-1875 February 1 and undated**  
Scope and Content  
Correspondence was originally contained in bound letter book held by S. S. Sanborn, an attorney and partner in the C. A. Wetmore and S. S. Sanborn Land Agency. The letter book's index lists names with the corresponding letter(s)'s number (Box 8 folder 5). Correspondence includes business transactions, such as land values, ownership, and management, property taxes, and power of attorney, as well as business advice and financial disputes. |
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| Box-folder 8:9 | **Miscellaneous correspondence, 1821 May 1-1984 July 5**  
Includes:  
Letter of Father Fernando Martin, May 1, 1821  
Letter from John S. Harbison to Mr. Goodrich regarding bee business, July 2, 1877  
Letter from Francisco Maria Alvarado to Santiago Arguello, September 19, 1845  
Letter from Jose A. Estudillo to Santiago Arguello, July 21, 1846 |
| Box-folder 8:10 | **Miscellaneous envelopes, undated**  
Includes:  
Various business decals  
First issue stamps |
| Box-folder 8:11 | **Map, 1683**  
Scope and Content  
“De L’Amerique: Nouveau Mexique et Californie” map by Allain Manesson-Mallet from a copy of Description de l’Univers, Volume V |
| Box-folder 8:12 | **Miscellanea, 1891-1928 and undated**  
Includes:  
Crystal Filter Co. receipt  
Commercial Bank check  
First National Bank of San Diego cancelled check  
Hartwell Electric Co. invoice |