Guide to the San Diego Fabian Society Records MS 312

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Title: San Diego Fabian Society Records
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Date (inclusive): 1895-1897
Abstract: This collection contains a ledger of meeting minutes and miscellaneous papers related to the San Diego Fabian Society.
creator: San Diego Fabian Society.
Processing Information
Collection processed by Elliot Kanter in March 2012.
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Preferred Citation
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Arrangement
The ledger is arranged chronologically. Loose documents are retained in original order.
Scope and Content
This collection contains a ledger of meeting minutes and miscellaneous papers related to the San Diego Fabian Society. Included is a printed copy of constitution and bylaws with handwritten notes (pasted to page 9) as well as a roll of members (page 11). Loose documents which were originally inserted between pages of the ledger have been separated to other folders. These consist of the minutes of the final meeting, proposed amendments to the Society’s constitution, undated lists of names, and five receipts from December 1896.
Biographical / Historical Notes
The San Diego Fabian Society was organized in April 1895. At an April lecture by Lawrence Grondlund, a meeting was called to draft a constitution and bylaws which were subsequently voted on and approved at the meeting of April 20. Their intention was “the studying of sociology, elevating humanity and bringing it to a more perfect understanding of its universal brotherhood and solidarity; and for the propaganda of socialistic ideas.”
The substance of most meetings included reading and discussion of papers on socialism and on political and social reforms, as well as planning for programs and outreach to the San Diego community. Founding officers included George A. Garrett (president), Dr. Lottie Park (vice president) and Heman C. Cooke (secretary). The organization continues to meet until early 1897.
Subjects and Indexing Terms
Cooke, Heman C.
Garrett, George A.
Park, Lottie
Socialism

Box-folder 1:1
Meeting Minutes Ledger 1895, April 13 - 1897, January 5
Box-folder 1:2
Meeting Minutes Ledger: Loose Documents 1895-1896 and undated
Scope and Content
Loose documents originally inserted in ledger between pages 8-9. Includes: list of publications; list of names and dollar amount; list of members’ accounts; tally of votes for officers; receipts from Professor Little, Hotel Florence, Evening Tribune, and San Diegan-Sun.
Meeting Minutes Ledger: Loose Documents undated

Scope and Content
Loose documents originally inserted in ledger. Includes: proposed changes to the Society’s constitution (originally between pages 36-37); meeting minutes (originally after page 42).