Mountain Quarry Railroad photograph album

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Abstract: This album shows the construction of the Mountain Quarry Railroad from Flint [Auburn], California connection with the Southern Pacific and the rock quarry and mine 7 miles.
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Biography/Administrative History
Work on the railroad and limestone mine began in 1910 and it went into operation on March 23, 1912. The Mountain Quarries Company spent a reported $1 million dollars on constructing the mine, putting up the crushing plant and the railroad line. The MQRR was seven miles long and ran from the quarry crushing plant in El Dorado County on the Middle Fork American River to Flint Station on the Southern Pacific main line in Auburn. There were 17 wooden trestles and one large concrete bridge on the main line. The Mountain Quarries operated until July 1941.
Scope and Content of Collection
This album shows the construction of the Mountain Quarry Railroad from Flint [Auburn], California connection with the Southern Pacific and the rock quarry and mine 7 miles. Of particular note are a number of very high quality pictures of the construction of the concrete arch bridge just south of Auburn along Highway 49. This concrete arch bridge is known as "No Hands Bridge" or "Mountain Quarries Bridge." [Album 29]