California Western Railroad & Navigation Co. photograph album

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**Descriptive Summary**

**Title:** California Western Railroad & Navigation Co. photograph album  
**Dates:** Undated  
**Collection Number:** MS 786  
**Creator/Collector:** California Western Railroad & Navigation Company  
**Extent:** 1 album  
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**Abstract:** This appears to be a railroad-produced souvenir photo album of the scenery and sights along the California Western Railroad & Navigation, an independent short line that ran (and still runs) between Willits and Ft. Bragg.

**Language of Material:** English

**Access**

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**Acquisition Information**

Gift of Gilbert H. Kneiss

**Scope and Content of Collection**

This appears to be a railroad-produced souvenir photo album of the scenery and sights along the California Western Railroad & Navigation, an independent short line that ran (and still runs) between Willits and Ft. Bragg. The road's trademark name was "The California Scenic Line". This album contains fifty-six 8 x 10" sepia toned photographs. These are not traditional photographs but some sort of photo process, probably rotogravure, which produces a dense image that is not as clean as offset. Each image is printed on a heavy card stock that is bound into the album at the left edge. Since this was a souvenir album sold to the public, there are a variety of scenes, including trains, tent accommodations at the Noyo River Tavern, fly fishing, logging, and downtown Ft. Bragg. [Album 26]