Guide to the Stanislaus Region History and Culture Image Collection

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### Descriptive Summary

**Title:** Stanislaus Region History and Culture Image Collection  
**Dates:** 1868-1991  
**Bulk Dates:** Circa 1903-1920  
**Collection number:** Consult repository  
**Collector:** California State University, Stanislaus. Library  
**Collection Size:** 260 items  
**Repository:** California State University, Stanislaus. Library  

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**Abstract:** The Stanislaus Region History and Culture Image Collection consists of two sets of photographic images and one commemorative scrapbook that depict in various ways the multifaceted history, geography, and culture of one specific region of the northern San Joaquin Valley. The images describe two differing but related perspectives on the Stanislaus County region of the Central Valley of California: 1. the early history of the village of Turlock (founded in 1871), illustrated by a collection of early photographs dating from the late 19th century through the 1930s; and 2. a more recent collection of photographs created by Modesto-based photojournalist and commercial photographer Manual Dias (1918-2005).

**Languages:** Languages represented in the collection: English

### Access

Collection is open for research.

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### Preferred Citation

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### Acquisition Information

This image collection was created by staff members of the Library Special Collections unit, California State University, Stanislaus, in 2005-06 as part of the Local History Digital Resources Project (LHDRP).

### Project Information

These photographs and scrapbook were assembled from the University Library Special Collections of California State University, Stanislaus, as part of the Local History Digital Resources Project (LHDRP), a one-year LSTA-funded initiative sponsored by the California Digital Library (CDL) and administered by the California State Library. Project activities included conservation, photographic documentation, digitization, and metadata creation of the selected images. Grant funding provided for scanning and digitization by Northern Micrographics of La Crosse, Wisconsin. The CONTENTdm digital management software allowed for the processing and mounting of the images. The overall purpose of the project is to provide a virtual collection of images and associated EAD collection description intended for public access via the California Digital Library (CDL), the Online Archive of California (OAC), and the university library web site.

### Scope and Content of Collection

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include portraits, panoramic views, and aerial photographs. The aim of the collection is to provide a useful and informative community resource of historical images that will augment the community’s understanding of its own history.

**Indexing Terms**
The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection.

**Names**
Aibara, Nisaburo  
Allen, Elizabeth E.  
Baptista, Frank  
Berg's (Turlock, Calif.)  
Cadwallader, Edward J.  
California Peach Growers Inc.  
Crane, Horace S.  
Crowell, C. C.  
Fulkerth, Abigail  
G.W. Hume Company (Turlock, Calif.)  
Hilmar Colony Land Agency (Turlock, Calif.)  
Hotel Carolyn (Turlock, Calif.)  
Hultberg, Nels  
McHenry, Matilda  
McHenry, Robert  
Melon Carnival (Turlock, Calif.)  
Mitchell, John W.  
Modesto Junior College  
Osborn, Henry  
Santos Saloon (Turlock, Calif.)  
Southern Pacific Railroad Company  
St. Elmo Hotel (Turlock, Calif.)  
Stanislaus State College  
Swedish Mission Church (Turlock, Calif.)  
Turlock Hotel (Turlock, Calif.)  
Turlock Irrigation District (Calif.)  
Wood, Bernice

**Places**
Crows Landing (Calif.)  
Don Pedro Dam (Calif.)  
Escalon (Calif.)  
Grayson (Calif.)  
Hilmar (Calif.)  
La Grange (Calif.)--Aerial photographs  
Knights Ferry (Calif.) -- Aerial photographs  
Livingston (Calif.)  
Merced River (Calif.)  
Modesto (Calif.)  
Pico Dos Padres Campo Grande (Crows Landing, Calif.)  
San Joaquin Valley (Calif.)  
Sierra Nevada (Calif. and Nev.)  
Stanislaus County (Calif.)  
Stanislaus River (Calif.)
Tuolumne River (Calif.)
Turlock (Calif.)
Turlock (Calif.)--Centennial celebrations, etc.
Waterford (Calif.) -- Aerial photographs

**Topics**

Aerial photographs
Agriculture--California--Central Valley (Valley)--History
Bullfights--California
Central business districts--California--Turlock
Dams--California--Turlock
Dwellings--California--Turlock
Gold mines and mining--Environmental aspects--California
Harvesting--California--Turlock
High school athletes--California--Turlock
Horse-drawn vehicles
Hotels--California--Turlock
Irrigation--California
Land use--California--Turlock
Melon industry--California--Turlock
Parades--California--Turlock
Peach--California--Turlock
Portuguese Americans--California
Public universities and colleges--California
Railroad stations--California--Turlock
Real estate agents--California--Turlock
Reservoirs--California--Turlock
Rivers--California--Turlock
Schools--California--Stanislaus County
Scrapbooks--California--Turlock
Stores, Retail--California--Turlock
Students--California--Turlock
Swedish Americans--California--Turlock
Sweet potatoes--California--Turlock
Watermelons--California--Turlock
Windmills--California--Turlock

**Genres and Forms of Materials**

Aerial photographs
Photographs
Postcards
Scrapbooks
Tintype