Descriptive Summary

Title: Arata family collection
Inclusive Dates: 1859-1953
Collection Number: mssArata
Collector: Arata family
Extent: 2 boxes and 2 oversize folders
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Abstract: The Arata family collection consists of papers, printed ephemera, and photographs related to the Arata family, especially, María Antonio Jimeno de Arata.

Language of Material: The records are in EnglishSpanish.

Access
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Acquisition Information
Gift of Allen and Martha Arata, October 2017.

Biography
The Arata family was a Spanish (possibly Basque) family that came to Santa Barbara, California in the 19th century. Juan Arata married María Antonia Jimeno (d. 1928), daughter of an acting governor of Alta California, Manuel Jimeno. The Aratas have a Californio heritage that their prominence in Santa Barbara politics and business only accented.

Scope and Content
The material in this collection was created and collected by the Arata family, especially María Antonia Jimeno de Arata. It consists of books, maps, papers, photographs, and printed ephemera. The papers include writings and poetry, possibly written by María Antonia Jimeno de Arata. There are booklets, pamphlets, and photographs related to Santa Barbara, California and the 1925 Santa Barbara earthquake. There are also numerous pamphlets related to the United States National Forest Service and National Park Service in California. The scrapbook mostly contains postcards acquired by the family's travel on the Panama Pacific Line and images from the 1925 Santa Barbara earthquake. Note: Some of the postcards in the scrapbook are loose. The two books in this collection are "La Mujer Catolica" and "Southern California" issued by Southern California Panama Exposition Commission.

There are two oversize folders at the end of the collection. The first folder consists of three photographs, possibly of María Antonia Jimeno de Arata and another woman. The second folder is a trigonometric survey entitled "Entrance to San Francisco Bay" by A.D. Bache.

Arrangement
Arranged by genre.

Personal Names
Arata, María Antonia Jimeno de
Arata family

Corporate Names

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Meeting Names
Panama-California Exposition (1915 : San Diego, Calif.)

Subjects
Historic sites
Missions, Spanish -- California
Santa Barbara Earthquake, Calif., 1925

Geographic Areas
California -- Description and travel
San Francisco (Calif.)
Santa Barbara (Calif.)

Genre
Notebooks
Pamphlets
Photographs

Box 1
Folder 1  Booklets - Notebooks
          Booklets -- [Santa Barbara, (Calif.)], (1913-1925)
          Los Adobe Antigos de Santa Barbara compliments of Arthur E. Ogilvy; The Planting of
          the Cross of Santa Barbara by Junipero Serra, 1713-1784 [plays (performed works)];
          Romances of the Mission Bells by Calpet Gasoline; and Santa Barbara Souvenir with
          Earthquake Pictures published by Copeland's Bookshop

Folder 2  Books -- La Mujer Catolica, Barcelona, (1884)
          In Spanish

Folder 3  Books -- Southern California Comprising the Counties of Imperial, Los Angeles,
          Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, Ventura issued by Southern California
          Panama Expositions Commission, (1915)

Folder 4  Cards (information artifacts) -- María Antonio Jimeno de Arata, (1923-1928)
          Included: Adela Arata de Voorhees [letter] from Paula -----; Mary Charlotte Arata [arrival
          announcement]; notes; postcard; and reception [notes]

Folder 5  Clippings (information artifacts) -- Western Family, (1953)
          Article entitled "Western forest camping"

Folder 6  Letters (correspondence) -- Arata family, (1922-1928)
          In Spanish
          From María Ade Arata and R.J. Arata

          Fire Prevention Maps
          Included: Cleveland National Forest, 1947; Los Angeles National Forest, 1947; Los Padres
          National Forest, 1947; San Bernardino National Forest, 1946 and 1947; and National
          Forests of California, 1940

Folder 8  Notebooks -- [María Antonio Jimeno de Arata], (1923)
          Two notebooks in Spanish
          Poetry and writings
Box 2  Pamphlets - Scrapbooks

Folder 1  Pamphlets -- The Golden Gate Bridge and Highway District, (1933)
   The Golden Gate Bridge History & Principal Characteristics

Folder 2  Pamphlets -- Panama-California Exposition (1915 : San Diego, Calif.), (1915)

   Included: Joshua National Monument, 1952; El Dorado National Forest, 1940; Inyo National Forest, 1935; Klamath National Forest, 1936; Lassen National Forest, 1940; Los Angeles National Forest, 1941; Los Padres National Forest, 1939; Mendocino National Forest, 1936; Modoc National Forest, 1941; Plumas National Forest, 1940; Sierra National Forest, 1942; Tahoe National Forest, 1937; Trinity National Forest, [undated]; Sequoia & Kings Canyon National Park, 1940, 1946, 1949, 1952, 1953; and directions to campgrounds

Folder 4  Photographs -- Arata family, (1880-1934)
   Included: Alfredo Robinson; Augustias Hannibal Arata; Angustias de la Guerra y Jimeno, Santiago R. Jimeno, and Enrique Jimeno; Caesar C. Arata; Elana A. Robinson; Enrique Jimeno; Jose Antonio Jimeno; Juan de la Guerra and Porforio Jimeno; Juan Arata; Maria Antonio Jimeno de Arata; and Rumaldo Pacheco

Folder 5  Photographs -- Panama-California Exposition (1915 : San Diego, Calif.), (1915)
   Included: One postcard

Folder 6  Photographs -- Santa Barbara, (Calif.), (1915-1925)
   Included: George Vorhees and Santa Barbara Earthquake, Calif., 1925

Folder 7  Programs (documents) -- Old Mission Santa Barbara, (1927)
   Pageant and Placing of Memorial Tablet to Celebrate Completion of Restoration
   Two copies

Folder 8  Programs (documents) -- Old Spanish Days in Santa Barbara, (1926-1927)
   Included: Ribbon

Folder 9  Prospectuses -- Atchison, Topeka, and Santa Fe Railway Company, (1930)
   Grand Canyon Outings

Folder 10  Prospectuses -- Northern Pacific Railway Company, [undated]
   The Picturesque Bad Lands of North Dakota Include Them on Western Itineraries!
   Through the American Rockies on the Northern Pacific; Rivers - For 1406 Miles On the Route of the "North Coast Limited"

Folder 11  Scrapbooks -- Arata family, (1925)
   Primarily postcards from Panama Pacific Line via Panama Canal and Havana and Santa Barbara Earthquake, Calif., 1925

Oversize folder 1  Photographs -- [Maria Antonio Jimeno de Arata], [before 1928]
   Three photographs

Oversize folder 2  Trigonometric survey -- Entrance to San Francisco Bay by A.D. Bache, U.S.G.S., (1859)
   Framed