Photographs of Adobes of Northern and Southern California: Finding Aid

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Abstract: A disbound album of primarily amateur snapshots of 19th century California adobes taken during the 1930s and 1940s by Lucius Panfelo "Paul" Soberanes (1882-1959), a descendant of early Spanish landholders in California. The photographs primarily document the exteriors of the historic adobes and include typewritten captions added by Soberanes in the 1950s. A strong emphasis is given to adobes in Monterey County, especially in downtown Monterey. The album's strength is in the documentation of lesser-known adobes, which include not only houses, but also commercial and military buildings such as hotels, soldiers' barracks in Sonoma, and the Bale Grist Mill in Napa.
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Biographical Note
Lucius Panfelo "Paul" Soberanes (1882-1959) was born in California on December 30, 1882, and was a descendant of Spanish soldier Jose Maria Soberanes, who arrived in California in the 1700s, and Feliciano Soberanes, who purchased the
Soledad Mission Rancho in 1846.
City directories indicate that Soberanes worked as a painter and autoworker in Oakland, California. He was married to Vera Irene Soberanes (died 1970) and they had three children: Leonard Soberanes, Vera Soberanes Woodside, and Lois Soberanes Lambert. Soberanes died on April 19, 1959.

Scope and Content
This collection consists of a disbound album compiled by Lucius "Paul" Soberanes (1882-1959) of primarily amateur snapshots of 19th century California adobes taken during the 1930s and 1940s, with typewritten captions added by Soberanes in the 1950s. Soberanes, a descendant of early Spanish landholders in California, put much of his energy into personally photographing adobes in Northern California for his album; not only did he travel through Monterey County, but also Alameda, Contra Costa, Santa Cruz, San Luis Obispo, Sonoma, Solano, and Ventura Counties. He also added a small number of professional photographs by L.A. Sanchez and E.R. Jackson and a photograph of a drawing by E.A. Burbank into the album.

Some of the adobes are shown to be in disrepair while others had been restored by the then adobes’ owners, state agencies, historical societies, or service organizations. Of the Monterey adobes featured, the best known include Casa Soberanes (House of the Blue Gate), the Cooper-Molera Adobe, Alvarado Adobe, Casa Gutierrez, Casa de la Torre, and Casa Amesti. Various adobes in Monterey County were held by the Soberanes family, including the Alta Vista Adobe, and the Rancho El Alisal and Rancho Ex-Mission Soledad properties. Other prominent adobes in Northern California are the Vicente Martinez Adobe, Petaluma Adobe, Castro Adobe, and Dana Adobe. There are some photographs of Southern California adobes, especially in Santa Barbara and San Diego; adobes from these areas include the Gonzalez House, Casa de Bandini, Casa de Estudillo, and Rancho Camulos. Soberanes, his wife, and his children appear posing on the adobe grounds in some of the photographs.

Photograph captions in the list of photographs are transcribed exactly as they appear in the album. The dates mentioned most often refer to an adobe’s construction date; photographs are printed later. Photographs from pages 119, 121, and 144 are missing from the album. In addition to the prints, there are 2 postcards (items 155-156), a photomechanical print (page 151), and one cyanotype (page 137).

Indexing Terms
The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Huntington Library’s Online Catalog.

Subjects
Alvarado Adobe (Monterey, Calif.) -- Photographs.
Alviso Adobe (Milpitas, Calif.) -- Photographs.
Boronda Adobe (Monterey, Calif.) -- Photographs.
Casa Amesti (Monterey, Calif.) -- Photographs.
Casa de Bandini (San Diego, Calif.) -- Photographs.
Casa de la Guerra (Santa Barbara, Calif.) -- Photographs.
Casa de la Torre (Monterey, Calif.) -- Photographs.
Castro Adobe (Watsonville, Calif.) -- Photographs.
Castro-Breen House (San Juan Bautista, Calif.) -- Photographs.
Cooper Molera House (Monterey, Calif.) -- Photographs.
Dana Adobe -- Photographs.
Estudillo House (San Diego, Calif.) -- Photographs.
Gonzalez House (Santa Barbara, Calif.) -- Photographs.
Gutierrez Adobe (Monterey, Calif.) -- Photographs.
House of the Four Winds (Monterey, Calif.) -- Photographs.
John Marsh House (Brentwood, Calif.) -- Photographs.
Lachryma Montis (Sonoma, Calif.) -- Photographs.
Lara-Soto House (Monterey, Calif.) -- Photographs.
Lugo Adobe (Los Angeles, Calif.) -- Photographs.
Mission San Juan Capistrano -- Photographs.
Olivas Adobe (Ventura, Calif.) -- Photographs.
Pacific House (Monterey, Calif.) -- Photographs.
Petaluma Adobe (Petaluma, Calif.) -- Photographs.
Pio Pico Adobe (Whittier, Calif.) -- Photographs.
Rancho Camulos (Calif.) -- Photographs.
Rancho Milpitas -- Photographs.
Rios-Caledonia Adobe (San Miguel, Calif.) -- Photographs.
Salvador Vallejo Adobe (Sonoma, Calif.) -- Photographs.
Sanchez Adobe (Pacifica, Calif.) -- Photographs.
Vasquez Adobe (Monterey, Calif.) -- Photographs.
Vicente Martinez Adobe -- Photographs.
Adobe houses -- California -- Photographs.
Barracks -- 1830-1840 -- Photographs.
Building, Adobe -- Photographs.
Officers' quarters -- 1840-1850 -- Photographs.
Historic buildings -- California -- 1800-1900 -- Photographs.
Hotels -- California -- Photographs.
Theaters -- 1850-1860 -- Photographs.
Alameda County (Calif.) -- Photographs.
Contra Costa County (Calif.) -- Photographs.
Los Angeles County (Calif.) -- Photographs.
Monterey (Calif.) -- Photographs.
Monterey County (Calif.) -- Photographs.
Napa County (Calif.) -- Photographs.
New Almaden (Calif.) -- Photographs.
San Diego (Calif.) -- Photographs.
San Fernando (Calif.) -- Photographs.
San Juan Bautista (Calif.) -- Photographs.
San Luis Obispo County (Calif.) -- Photographs.
San Miguel (Calif.) -- Photographs.
Santa Barbara (Calif.) -- Photographs.
Santa Barbara County (Calif.) -- Photographs.
Santa Cruz (Calif.) -- Photographs.
Santa Cruz County (Calif.) -- Photographs.
Solano County (Calif.) -- Photographs.
Sonoma (Calif.) -- Photographs.
Sonoma County (Calif.) -- Photographs.
Ventura County (Calif.) -- Photographs.

Forms/Genres
Cyanotypes.
Photographs.
Photograph albums.
Photomechanical prints.
Postcards.

Box 1

Box 1: Album pages 1-75
Page 1

**# of photos:** 2 photos

**Description:** The San Mateo Historical Society purchased this old adobe and it was opened to the public in October, 1946, being one hundred years old. It is now being used as a museum.

Page 2

**# of photos:** 2 photos

**Description:** a) Francisco Sanchez Adobe: Erected in 1846 on Rancho San Pedro in San Mateo County. The house stands in a little valley in view of the ocean.  
b) Francisco Sanchez Adobe before restoration.

Page 3

**# of photos:** 1 photo

**Description:** Rufino Adobe: Near Mission Dolores, San Francisco. Last adobe house standing at time of earthquake and fire in 1906. Later removed.

Page 4

**# of photos:** 1 photo

**Description:** Rufino Adobe

Page 5

**# of photos:** 2 photos

**Description:** Altamirano Adobe, erected by Abelino Altamirano for his bride, Encarnación Martinez, in Alhambra Valley, near Martinez. Restored by the Swett family.

Page 6

**# of photos:** 2 photos

**Description:** José Fernandez Adobe. Built in 1841. Santa Clara.

Page 7

**# of photos:** 3 photos

**Description:** Rancho San Pablo. Built by Francisco Maria Castro, Contra Costa County. This adobe, erected before 1829, by Don Francisco Maria Castro, was covered with clapboards and restored by his daughter, Martina and her husband, Governor Juan Bautista Alvarado, after 1850. Alvarado lived there with his wife and children until his death, in 1882. This adobe was demolished on Sept. 1, 1954.

Page 8

**# of photos:** 2 photos

**Description:** a) José Pena Adobe. Built in 1841 near Mission Santa Clara. Still occupied. This adobe is being preserved by the Santa Clara Women’s Club and is used as a club house.  

Page 9

**# of photos:** 2 photos

**Description:** a) Entrance to the Francisco Solano Alviso Adobe. A plaque was placed on this adobe in 1953. 8,800 acres.  
b) This is the rear of the Alviso Adobe, and faces the hills.
Page 10  
# of photos: 2 photos  

Page 11  
# of photos: 2 photos  

Page 12  
# of photos: 2 photos  
Description: a) [The second José Higuera Adobe, built in 1831]  
b) José Higuera Adobe. First house built on Rancho Los Tularctios, in 1821. 4,392.35 acres. Nothing left but crumbling walls.

Page 13  
# of photos: 2 photos  
Description: Fulgencio Higuera Adobe. Built in 1841 on Rancho Agua Caliente in Southern Alameda County.

Page 14  
# of photos: 2 photos  
Description: Abelardo Higuera Adobe. Alameda County.

Page 15  
# of photos: 1 photo  
Description: One of the Berryessa Adobe houses erected on the Milpitas Rancho. Now demolished.

Page 16  
# of photos: 1 photo  
Description: José de Los Santos Berryessa Adobe, built in 1850 in Martinez. Demolished in 1906.

Page 17  
# of photos: 2 photos  
Description: Vicente Martinez Adobe. Built in 1849. A plaque was placed on this adobe on April 17, 1955, by the Contra Costa Historical Society. They bought this adobe, and later, it will be used for their meeting place and a museum.

Page 18  
# of photos: 2 photos  
Description: Ruins of the adobe house built by Ignacio Martinez on his Rancho El Pinole

Page 19  
# of photos: 2 photos  
Description: a) Arbor, leading to front door of the Augustin Bernal Adobe house, which is flanked on both sides by orange and lemon trees.  
b) This picture shows how the Bernal Adobe house was changed and remodeled by the new owner, who lives there. It is the same side as that on the opposite page.
Page 20

**# of photos:** 2 photos

**Description:**
- a) Large adobe house built by John Kottinger, the son-in-law of Juan Pablo Bernal in Pleasanton about 1855. Still standing and used for a store house. This house can be seen on Ray St.
- b) Augustin Bernal Adobe. Built by Bernal in 1850 on his portion of Rancho El Valle de San José, in the southern part of Alameda County. Still standing and occupied.

Page 21

**# of photos:** 2 photos

**Description:**
- b) [Unknown adobe]

Page 22

**# of photos:** 2 photos

**Description:** Adobe built by Victor Castro on Rancho El Cerrito. Now called Rancho San Pablo, Contra Costa County. Built in 1839.

Page 23

**# of photos:** 1 photo

**Description:** José Maria Alviso Adobe. Built in 1836 on Rancho Milpitas.

Page 24

**# of photos:** 2 photos

**Description:** Vallejo Adobe. One of four adobes built by José de Jesus Vallejo on his Rancho Arroyo de la Alameda in 1842.

Page 25

**# of photos:** 2 photos

**Description:**
- a) Fernando Pacheco Adobe, in Contra Costa County near Concord. Restored.
- b) Salvio Pacheco Adobe. In Concord, Contra Costa Country. Built in 1850 on Rancho del Diablo. On Sunday, August 22, 1954, a plaque was placed on this adobe by the Contra Costa Historical Society.

Page 26

**# of photos:** 2 photos

**Description:** [Don Fernando Pacheco Adobe] These pictures were taken on August 17, 1941, on the day of the dedication of this adobe, by the Contra Costa Horsemen’s Association. Now used as their meeting place, and a museum. This adobe house was erected about 1846.

Page 27

**# of photos:** 2 photos

**Description:** Adobe house built by Don Salvador Vallejo on Rancho Yajome, Napa County in 1852.

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**# of photos:** 1 photo

**Description:** [Salvador Vallejo Adobe on Rancho Yajome]
Page 29

# of photos: 2 photos

Description: a) Old Adobe House. Napa, Calif. E.A. Burbank, 1927 [Photograph of drawing] [Cayetano Juarez Adobe. Rancho Tulucay, Napa County]
b) First adobe house built by Cayetano Juarez in 1840, on Rancho Tulucay, Napa County. [Ruins of adobe house]

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# of photos: 2 photos

Description: Second adobe, built near first house, by Cayetano Juarez in 1845. Napa County.

Page 31

# of photos: 1 photo

Description: [Joseph B. Chiles Adobe] Entrance to the Chiles Adobe house.

Page 32

# of photos: 1 photo

Description: Joseph B. Chiles Adobe. Built on Rancho Catacula in 1844. Napa County.

Page 33

# of photos: 2 photos

Description: Joaquin Castro Adobe. Built in 1833 on Rancho San Andres in Santa Cruz County. Restored in 1946.

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# of photos: 2 photos

Description: Joaquin Castro Adobe, before restoration in 1946

Page 35

# of photos: 2 photos

Description: a) Ruins of old Hotel in Jolon. Monterey County. [Research shows this is the Dutton Hotel and Stagecoach Station]
b) Epitacio Garcia Adobe house in Jolon Valley, Monterey Co. Entrance.

Page 36

# of photos: 2 photos

Description: a) Rear of the Garcia Adobe. This part is on the main highway going to Jolon.

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# of photos: 2 photos

Description: [Rancho Sausal, later known as Sherwood Ranch] Adobe wall around the Sherwood Adobe house on Rancho Sausal, Monterey Co.

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# of photos: 1 photo


Page 39

# of photos: 2 photos

Description: Albert Trescony Adobes on Rancho San Lucas, in Monterey County.
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# of photos: 3 photos

Description: José Eusebio Boronda Adobe. Built in 1840 on Rancho Rinconada del Sanjon in Monterey County.

Page 41

# of photos: 2 photos

Description: a) Adobe home of Feliciano Soberanes on Rancho El Elisal, Monterey Co. Built in 1833. Later sold to Governor J.B. Alvarado.
b) Adobe house erected by Francisco Soberanes, on his portion of the Ex Mission Soledad, in Monterey Co.

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# of photos: 2 photos

Description: a) Alta Vista, the adobe house built by Don Feliciano Soberanes in the early part of 1840, in Monterey, Calif. after his death, in 1866, his sons added a second story and made a hotel.
b) Ruins of the adobe, Alta Vista, which was torn down in 1934. It stood on the corner of Franklin and Pierce Streets.

Page 43

# of photos: 2 photos

Description: Mariano Soberanes Adobe, on El Alisal Rancho, Monterey County.

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# of photos: 2 photos

Description: [Rancho El Alisal] This adobe house was erected by Mariano Soberanes about 1827, for his wife and large family. He and his brother Feliciano receive this grant of land, called El Alisal, in 1823, and they lived there until 1840, when it was sold to Governor Juan Bautista Alvarado in 1840. This house is still standing and occupied. It can be seen from the Natividad—Gonzales Highway, going south.

Page 45

# of photos: 1 photo

Description: Adobe home of Don José Abrego, on the corner of Abrego and Webster Streets in Monterey. Erected before 1835.

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# of photos: 2 photos

Description: a) Rear of the Joaquin de Soto Adobe house. Before restoration. Photo taken in 1938. Joaquin’s grandson, Augustine de Soto, was born there in 1865, and died there, in his seventies.
b) Rear of the Joaquin de Soto Adobe, after restoration, in 1953.

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# of photos: 1 photo

Description: Entrance to adobe house built by Don Marino Soberanes in the early fifties. Notice large grape vine. House still standing.

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# of photos: 2 photos

Description: Mariano Guadalupe Soberanes Adobe, built in 1850 on Ex Mission Soledad Rancho.
Page 49  
**# of photos:** 2 photos  
**Description:** Adobe house built in 1841 by Josefa Soberanes Richardson on Rancho Los Coches.

Page 50  
**# of photos:** 2 photos  
**Description:**  
a) Corridor of Los Coches Adobe.  
b) Side and rear of the Los Coches Adobe.

Page 51  
**# of photos:** 4 photos  
**Description:**  
a, b) [Exterior of front of Casa Soberanes]  
c, d) [Landmark sign for Casa Soberanes, saying: “Casa Soberanes. Built for Prefect Don José Estrada in the early Mexican period. Later passed to the Soberanes family.”]

Page 52  
**# of photos:** 2 photos  
**Description:** Adobe house of Ezequiel Soberanes at 336 Pacific Street, Monterey. Called “The House of the Blue Gate.” [Photograph (52-a) by L.A. Sanchez.]

Page 53  
**# of photos:** 1 photo  
**Description:** Adobe house built by José Antonio Bolcoff in 1841, on Rancho Refugio, Santa Cruz Co.

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**# of photos:** 2 photos  
**Description:** [José Antonio Bolcoff’s adobe on Rancho Refugio, Santa Cruz Co.]

Page 55  
**# of photos:** 2 photos  
**Description:**  
a) [Plaza Hotel. San Juan Bautista] [Original caption tore off. See also photograph (56-b).]  
b) Adobe built by Juan Miguel Anzar, in the little town of San Juan Bautista.

Page 56  
**# of photos:** 3 photos  
**Description:**  
a) [Front view of Juan Miguel Anzar’s adobe]  
b) Adobe house called Plaza Hotel. It was originally built for the San Juan Bautista Mission guards in San Juan. [See also photograph (55-a).]  
c) Chavez Adobe [Also known as the Basque Rafael Pico Adobe.]

Page 57  
**# of photos:** 3 photos  
**Description:** Adobe house, built as a school, by W.E.P. Hartnell, in 1834, and named El Colegio de San Jose, on Rancho El Alisal, in Monterey Co.

Page 58  
**# of photos:** 2 photos  
**Description:**  
a) Adobe home and school house built by W.E.P. Hartnell.  
b) Adobe house built for Sacramento Castro, on Rancho Arroyoita, Santa Cruz Co.
Page 59

# of photos: 2 photos
Description: Neary House (now called), originally built for the Santa Cruz Mission guards. In Santa Cruz.

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# of photos: 2 photos
Description: Rear of the Neary Adobe.

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# of photos: 1 photo
Description: Rear of the Neary House.

Page 62

# of photos: 2 photos
Description: Rodrigues [sic] Adobe, home of Roman Rodrigues, adjoining the Neary Adobe House on School St. in Santa Cruz. This adobe has been in the Rodrigues family since 1838.

Page 63

# of photos: 2 photos
b) Adobe on Rancho Los Ojitos, in Monterey County.

Page 64

# of photos: 2 photos
Description: a) Adobe home of Mariano Jesus Soberanes on Rancho Los Ojitos, acquired by Soberanes in 1842. The two houses were built in the early 1800s.
b) Before 1935, the tiles were removed from the roof of this old adobe, and a corrugated iron roof replaced the tile. During World War II, troops from an army base [research shows Fort Hunter Liggett], close by, used this old adobe for Target Practice, and it was totally destroyed.

Page 65

# of photos: 3 photos
Description: José Manuel Boronda Adobe house built on the mesa, in Monterey in 1817. Restored by present owner.

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# of photos: 2 photos
Description: Adobe house, built by José Manuel Boronda on Rancho Los Laurelles [Laureles], in Monterey Co. Lucius Panfelo Soberanes, aka Paul Soberanes, pictured [in (66- a)]

Page 67

# of photos: 1 photo
Description: Hotel El Dorado, in Sonoma, across from the Plaza. First hotel in Sonoma.

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# of photos: 2 photos
Description: Fitch Adobe, in Sonoma, said to have been built by Jacob P. Leese.
Page 69

# of photos: 2 photos
Description: [Rancho Cabeza de Santa Rosa, Sonoma Co.]

Page 70

# of photos: 2 photos
Description: Large adobe house erected by Señora María Ygnacia Lopez de Carrillo, on Rancho de Santa Rosa in 1841, Sonoma Co. [Man in top photograph is Paul Soberanes.]

Page 71

# of photos: 3 photos
Description: Site of General Vallejo’s town house. The building was burned in 1867. This old adobe is partly covered with wood. The Van Nehr’s school house was located here in the early fifties. Still occupied.
   a) Lachryma Montis
   b, c) [Petaluma Adobe]

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# of photos: 1 photo

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# of photos: 2 photos
Description: Adobe house, called the Ray Adobe, on Spain St. in Sonoma.

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# of photos: 2 photos
Description: a) Adobe house built on Rancho Agua Caliente by Lazaro Piña [or Pena] in 1840, in Sonoma Co. Still standing.

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# of photos: 2 photos
Description: [Petaluma Adobe]

Box 2: Album pages 76-154 and items 155-156

Page 76

# of photos: 2 photos
Description: a) [Cooper Molera Adobe] Adobe house erected by Capt. John B. Cooper for his bride Encarnación Vallejo in 1829. This house and other buildings connected to this place still belong to descendants of Capt. Cooper.
   b) Casa Grande, adobe house built by Mariano G. Vallejo on his Rancho Petaluma about 1836. This house was used by his vaqueros. It is now owned by the N.S.G.W. [Native Sons of the Golden West] and is a State Landmark. Vacant.

Page 77

# of photos: 2 photos
Description: Salvador Vallejo Adobe. One of his two adobes on the square, now called Sonoma Plaza.
Page 78
# of photos: 2 photos
Description: Casa Materna, adobe house built by Ignacio Vallejo, on his Rancho Bolsa de San Cayetano, in 1824. It is in Monterey Co. near Watsonville.

Page 79
# of photos: 1 photo
Description: Adobe house built by José Castro, in 1825, in San Juan. Now a State Landmark.

Page 80
# of photos: 1 photo
Description: José Castro Adobe. San Juan. 1825.

Page 81
# of photos: 2 photos
Description: a) Adobe house on Ranch Salsipuedes. Picture taken by L.A. Sanchez in 1917. Avila Adobe. [Research has shown that there is no mention of the Avila Adobe on Rancho Salsipuedes.]

Page 82
# of photos: 2 photos
Description: a) Adobe house built by Ezekiel Soberanes on Soberanes Point, San Simeon highway, Monterey County. This house has been covered with clapboards, and is still standing and occupied.
b) José Eusebio Boronda Adobe. Built in 1840 on Rancho Rinconada del Sanjon in Monterey County.

Page 83
# of photos: 2 photos
Description: [Rios-Caledonia Adobe] Rios Adobe, San Miguel. Rear.

Page 84
# of photos: 1 photo

Page 85
# of photos: 1 photo
Description: Los Coches Adobe, built by William B. Richardson in 1842, on Rancho Los Coches, which was acquired by his wife, Josefa Soberanes Richardson in 1841. Monterey Co.

Page 86
# of photos: 2 photos
Description: Romulo Pico Adobe in San Fernando. Built in 1837. This adobe house was restored by M.R. Harrington, who bought this property about 1930.

Page 87
# of photos: 2 photos
Description: Pena Adobe near Vacaville. Entrance.
Page 88
  # of photos: 2 photos
  Description: A plaque was placed on this adobe house, called the Vaca-Pena House, on Sept. 19, 1955, by the Vacaville Parlor, No. 293, Native Daughters of the Golden West. (About 50 descendants attended).

Page 89
  # of photos: 1 photo
  Description: Patio of Covarrubias Adobe, in Santa Barbara. Built in 1817, by Domingo Carrillo. In 1853, acquired by Jose Maria Covarrubias.

Page 90
  # of photos: 1 photo
  Description: Ramon Gonzales Adobe, in Santa Barbara. Stood on East de la Guerra Street near the corner of Garden Street. (Destroyed). [Photographer: E.R. Jackson. 1912]

Page 91
  # of photos: 1 photo
  Description: Pascual Botillier Adobe in Santa Barbara. Erected in 1843.

Page 92
  # of photos: 2 photos
  Description: a) Patio of the Jose Maria Covarrubias Adobe in Santa Barbara
  b) Adobe house acquired by Jose Maria Covarrubias in 1853. Santa Barbara. This adobe was built by Domingo Carrillo in 1817. His daughter married Covarrubias. [On back of photograph]: Irene Soberanes and cousin Amy Cameron [shown in photograph].

Page 93
  # of photos: 1 photo
  Description: Packard Adobe, in Santa Barbara, built in 1865 as a winery.

Page 94
  # of photos: 2 photos
  Description: Adobe house built by Rafael Gonzales in 1825. One of his daughters married Cristobel Ramirez in 1865. This old adobe, now restored, is known as the Ramirez Adobe. Santa Barbara.

Page 95
  # of photos: 2 photos
  Description: [John B. Ward Adobe] Large adobe house erected in 1868 by John Ward for his bride, on the Guadalupe Rancho. This rancho was given to Diego Olivera and Teodoro Arrellanes in 1840.

Page 96
  # of photos: 2 photos
  Description: [Arrellanes Adobe] This old adobe house was built by Teodoro Arrellanes on his Rancho Guadalupe, which comprised 30,000 acres, in San Luis Obispo Co. Still occupied.

Page 97
  # of photos: 1 photo
  Description: Rancho Camulos, part of the San Francisco Rancho, granted to Antonio del Valle in 1841. This adobe was built in 1852, and played a part of the novel "Ramona" by Helen Hunt Jackson. Still occupied.
Page 98

**# of photos:** 2 photos

**Description:**

a) The Bolton Adobe in Jolon Valley. Totally destroyed by soldiers of the Hunter Ligget Camp. This house was used for target practice.
b) An old adobe house that used to be on Alvarado Street in Monterey.

Page 99

**# of photos:** 2 photos

**Description:** Entrance to the Capt. William Goodwin Dana Adobe house, on Rancho Nipomo in San Luis Obispo County. This adobe was erected in 1839.

Page 100

**# of photos:** 2 photos

**Description:** Rear of the Dana Adobe.

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**# of photos:** 2 photos

**Description:** [Exterior views of Lugo Adobe]

Page 102

**# of photos:** 2 photos

**Description:** Lugo Adobe, built by Antonio Maria Lugo on his Rancho San Antonio, which was granted to him by the King of Spain in 1810. It is south of the city of Los Angeles, and the grant comprised 30,000 acres. 1855.

Page 103

**# of photos:** 1 photo

**Description:** Entrance to the Pedro Masini Adobe house which is said to have been built in 1820, but not by Masini. It stands at the foot of Ortega Hill south of Santa Barbara.

Page 104

**# of photos:** 2 photos

**Description:** One of the Ortega Adobe houses in Santa Barbara. Restored and occupied. This adobe house can be seen from Highway 101.

Page 105

**# of photos:** 2 photos

**Description:**

a) Casa de Estudillo, built 1825 by Don Jose Antonio Estudillo. For about 25 years this large adobe house has been known as Ramona's Marriage Place. Old Town, San Diego.

Page 106

**# of photos:** 2 photos

**Description:** Large adobe mansion erected by Pio Pico on his Rancho El Ranchito, as his country home. Still standing. [Both photographs show Irene Sewell Soberanes, wife of Paul Soberanes, with son Leonard and daughter Lois].

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Page 107  
# of photos: 2 photos  
Description: Joaquin de Soto Adobe house, restored. Joaquin erected this adobe house in 1824, in Monterey. Mrs. Mary Green bought this property in 1943, and lately restored the adobe. She is the curator at the Custom House in Monterey.

Page 108  
# of photos: 1 photo  
Description: Olivas Adobe house, near Ventura, built by Raymundo [Raymundo] Olivas on his Rancho San Miguel in 1837. House now owned by the Max Flieschmann’s Gun Club.

Page 109  
# of photos: 2 photos  
Description: a) [Unidentified adobe with sloped roof]  
b) [Unidentified two story adobe with elaborate railings]

Page 110  
# of photos: 2 photos  
Description: Adobe houses in the little town of San Juan Capistrano

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Description: Juan Bandini Adobe, originally a one story adobe, built in early 1800, by Juan Bandini. Cave Couts, grandson of Bandini, remodeled it, and it is now used as a hotel, and called Casa de Bandini. Old Town, San Diego.

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# of photos: 1 photo  
Description: [Casa de Machado y Silva] Casa de Machado, built by Corporal José Manuel Machado for his daughter Maria Antonia Machado de Silvas. Old Town, San Diego.

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# of photos: 1 photo  

Page 114  
# of photos: 2 photos  
Description: [Feliz-Goux Adobe]

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Description: [Blank]

Page 116  
# of photos: 2 photos  
Description: a) Caneda Adobe house, built about 1782, as part of the original presidio enclosure. In 1878, acquired by Pedro Baron. In 1920, Elmer H. Whitaker purchased this old adobe and has restored it to its original charm. In Santa Barbara.  
b) Casa de la Guerra Adobe home of José de la Guerra y Noreiga. It was begun in 1819, but not completed until 1826. Santa Barbara.
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# of photos: 2 photos
Description: a) [San Juan Capistrano Mission]
b) [Joaquin Moraga Adobe, restored]

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# of photos: 2 photos
Description: a) Adobe house built by Joaquin Moraga on his Rancho Laguna de los Palos Colorados, in 1834. Contra Costa County. (Restored).
b) The Joaquin Moraga Adobe. A plaque was placed on this old adobe, (now restored), by the Contra Costa Historical Society on May 23, 1954.

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# of photos: 2 photos
Description: [Missing]

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# of photos: 1 photo
Description: General John B. Frisbie's home in Vallejo, California.

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# of photos: 3 photos
Description: a) Bay View Hotel, built about 1878 by José Arano, at Aptos. [Photograph missing]
b) Home of Pedro Zaballa in Salinas. Partly surrounded by a high wall topped with tiles that were taken from the roof of the Ex Soledad Mission.
c) Adobe house erected in the early 1800's for the Mission San Antonio vaqueros. Later, this property was granted to Don Mariano Soberanes in 1842. This adobe was a small house, and was near the large adobe house that Don Mariano used for his home.

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# of photos: 3 photos
b) First theater, built in 1847 by Jack Swan. It was used as a boarding house, salon, warehouse, private residence. Later, first building used as a theater in California.
c) Bonafacio Adobe, originally built on Alvarado Street in 1835 by José Rafael Gonzales. Later the home of Señorita Maria Ignacia Bonafacio. Removed to the Mesa.

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# of photos: 3 photos
Description: a) [Unidentified street scene, possibly in Monterey]
b) Casa Alvarado, town house of Governor Juan Bautista Alvarado, in Monterey.
c) Casa Alvarado, owned by Don Juan B. Alvarado and sold to his friend and clerk, Manuel Dutra.

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# of photos: 2 photos
Description: a) Cooper Adobe, built by Capt. John B. Cooper for his bride Encarnación Vallejo in 1829.
b) All of this property is still owned by some of his descendants.
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- **# of photos:** 2 photos
- **Description:**
  b) Lucius Panfelo Soberanes, aka Paul Soberanes

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- **# of photos:** 2 photos
- **Description:**
  a) Unidentified adobe behind bushes, trees, and a gate
  b) Gutierrez Adobe in Monterey

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- **# of photos:** 3 photos
- **Description:**
  a) [Vasquez Adobe] Casa Vasquez, formerly one story
  b) Casa Molera, site of the old Chalk House, erected in 1847, by Francisco Garcia, in Monterey
  c) Casa de la Torre. Built by Joaquin de la Torre in the late 30’s. In Monterey.

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- **# of photos:** 3 photos
- **Description:**
  a) Casas Gutierrez
  b) Memory Garden, patio of the old Pacific House. Built in the 1840’s by Thomas Larkin and James McKinley for a hotel.

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- **# of photos:** 3 photos
- **Description:**
  a) House of Four Winds, built by Larkin in 1835
  b) Sherman quarters, built by Larkin
  c) Soto House

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- **# of photos:** 3 photos
- **Description:**
  a, b) Casa Amesti. Built in the 30’s by Don José Amesti for his bride, Encarnación Vallejo
  c) Adobe house erected by Francisco Soberanes in 1840, on Pierce St. By 1851 the house belonged to Jesus Soto. It is now called the Soto House.

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- **# of photos:** 2 photos
- **Description:**
  b) Adobe house on Blackburn St. in Watsonville. It was originally erected on the Bolsa de San Cayetano Rancho by José Vallejo. Later torn down and brought over to Watsonville, where it is used as a Girl Scout House.

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- **# of photos:** 2 photos
- **Description:**
  a) Large adobe house, called Blue Wing Hotel. Built by Gen. Vallejo. It now houses the Chamber of Commerce and the Blue Wing Museum.
  b) Adobe house built by Salvador Vallejo in Sonoma, across from the Sonoma Plaza on Spain Street. Later called the Swiss Hotel.
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# of photos: 2 photos
Description: a) Mexican Barracks. Built in 1836 across from the Sonoma Plaza.
b) [Toscano Hotel, Sonoma]

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# of photos: 1 photo
Description: Bale Mill [Napa]. Built by [incomplete caption] [Research shows Dr. Edward Turner Bale constructed Bale Mill.]

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# of photos: 2 photos
Description: a) Rear of [unidentified] adobe, in Jolon Valley, Monterey Co.
b) Rear of the Epitacio Garcia Adobe, in Jolon Valley.

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# of photos: 3 photos
Description: a, b) Rancho Milpitas. Monterey County. Said to be the homes of Ygnacio Pastor, neophyte of the San Antonio Mission. May 5, 1838.

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# of photos: 2 photos
Description: a) Large adobe house built by Capt. Alpheus Thompson for his wife, Francisca Carrillo. Later became the St. Charles Hotel. The last adobe to be torn down on State Street. Santa Barbara. [Cyanotype]
b) Carrillo Adobe, erected by Daniel Hill, in Santa Barbara. Later called the Carrillo Adobe.

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# of photos: 1 photo
Description: John Marsh Home (stone house)

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# of photos: 1 photo
Description: Soberanes House

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# of photos: 2 photos
Description: Chiles Adobe

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# of photos: 2 photos
Description: [Exterior views of Casa de Lopez Adobe]

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# of photos: 2 photos
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# of photos: 1 photo
Description: The Lopez Adobe House, built on land belonging to the San Gabriel Mission. A plaque was placed on this adobe in 1937, by the San Gabriel Valley N.S.G.W. [Native Sons of the Golden West] and the N.D.G.W. [Native Daughters of the Golden West]

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# of photos: 2 photos
Description: [Photographs missing]

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# of photos: 2 photos
Description: Soberanes House

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# of photos: 2 photos
b) [On back of photograph]: South side of adobe on Ranch Santa Rita. Alameda County. Still occupied. Now Meadow Lark Dairy on Dublin Road.

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# of photos: 1 photo
Description: [Murphy’s Hotel. Formerly Mitchler Hotel., Murphys, CA]

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# of photos: 2 photos
Description: [Washoe House. Hessel, CA]

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# of photos: 2 photos
Description: a) [On back of photograph]: Castro Adobe of Rancho San Andres near Watsonville, California
b) [On back of photograph]: Adobe house built by Jose Antonio Bolcoff in 1841, on Rancho Refugio. Santa Cruz Co.

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# of photos: 1 photo
Description: [Ruins of unidentified adobe wall]

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# of photos: 1 photo
Description: [José María Alviso Adobe] [Photomechanical print]

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# of photos: 1 photo
Description: [On back of photograph]: Pacheco House [Research shows that this is the José María Alviso Adobe]

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# of photos: 0 photos
Description: [Blank]
Page 154
   # of photos: 1 photo
   Description: [Corridor at unidentified adobe]

Item 155
   # of photos: 1 photo
   Description: Casa Soberanes, Monterey [Loose blank postcard]

Item 156
   # of photos: 1 photo
   Description: Castro Adobe. San Juan Bautista [Loose blank postcard]