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Summary
Title: Martha Hoffman ship and railroad postcard album,
Date: 1890-1939
Collection No: P05-016
Creator: Hoffman, Martha
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Abstract: The postcard album contains 75 marine vessel postcards and 39 train postcards collected by Martha Hoffman. The train postcards, out of scope, have been retained to maintain the integrity of the album. 32 of the marine vessel postcards are of U.S. naval vessels, 12 are of Bay Area ferry boats and 11 are of steam ships. The bulk of the naval ships were postcards depicting the Great White Fleet.

Physical Location: Historic Documents Department
Language: In English.

Indexing Terms
The following are indexing terms related to the description of this collection.
Photography of ships
United States. Navy--Cruise, 1907-1909--Pictorial works
Postcards
Photograph albums

Access Information
Access
This collection is open for research.

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Processing/Project Information
Processing and Cataloging
ANCS+ Catalog No. SAFR 20704.
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number 20704 at http://www.museum.nps.gov/safr/page.htm. Do not include the acronym "SAFR" in the search.

Administrative Information
History
This finding aid does not have an agency history, biography, or historical note.

Custodial History
The items were donated to the San Francisco Maritime Museum (SFMM) by Martha Hoffman on November 9, 1966. (See
SFMM Accession Log, page 388, line 2) The materials were accessioned into the National Park Service when the museum
was made a unit of Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GOA-735) and then were transferred to San Francisco Maritime
National Historical Park after the establishment of the new park in 1989 (SAFR-1).

Acquisition
Accession number SAFR-00001.

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Scope and Content
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U.S. naval vessels, 12 are of Bay Area ferry boats and 11 are of steam ships. The bulk of the naval ships were postcards
depicting the Great White Fleet.

Arrangement
The postcards in the album do not appear to be organized and arranged in any order.

Album Inventory
Page 1.
YALE (steamer) Pacific Navigation Company
Unnamed 3m bark, naval training vessel
Unnamed 3m bark, possibly STAR OF INDIA
Page 2.
USS COLORADO, 1905
USS VERMONT (battleship)
Unknown Brigantine
Page 3.
Unknown British battleship
Unknown 3m full-rigged ship
Page 4.
KENTUCKY (battleship)
Unknown 2m schooner
Unknown British 4m bark
Page 5.
USS PENNSYLVANIA
USS MISSOURI
SS SIBERIA
Page 6.
M.S. TATSUTA MARU
ALABAMA (battleship)
Page 7.
NEBRASKA (battleship)
Unknown brigantine
VIRGINIA (battleship)
Page 8.
"Looking Through the Golden Gate at Sunset", W. A. Coulter painting
SOLANO, Southern Pacific Ferry Boat
European ketch, with steamer in background
Page 9.
BUCKMAN (built 1901, screw steamer)
SARATOGA (naval training ship)
MINNESOTA (battleship)
Page 10.
Ferry NEWARK
Ferry OAKLAND (Charles Weidener photograph)
Ferry GARDEN CITY (Weidener photo)
Page 11.
Ferry THROUGHFARE
Ferry NEWARK (Weidener photo)
Ferry BERKELEY (Weidener photo)
Page 12.
French 4m bark
RHODE ISLAND (battleship)
LOUISIANA (battleship)
Page 13.
Ferry ENCINAL
Ferry NEWARK
Page 14.
MAINE (battleship)
SOUTH DAKOTA (battleship)
Page 15.
Ferry ENCINAL (Weidener photo)
Ferry BAY CITY (Weidener photo)
Ferry PIEDMONT (Weidener photo)
Page 16.
Unknown 4m schooner
CONNECTICUT (battleship)
MISSOURI (battleship) (duplicate of postcard from p. 5)
Page 17.
Unknown 2m brig, with bark in background
ST. MARY'S (naval school ship)
HARTFORD (navy training ship)
Page 18. empty
Pages 19-31. train postcards
Page 32. empty
Page 33.
PHILADELPHIA (armored cruiser)
USS VIRGINIA
Page 34.
HARVARD (passenger vessel), 1911
YALE (passenger vessel), 1911
PAUL JONES (torpedo boat destroyer)
Page 35.
DECATUR (patrol boat)
Page 36.
KENTUCKY (battleship)
OREGON (battleship)
Page 37.
CONSTELLATION (training ship)
Page 38.
MONONGAHELA (training ship)
WISCONSIN (battleship)
MONTANA (armored cruiser)
Page 39.
British 4m bark
CALIFORNIA (armored cruiser)
Page 40.
NAPA VALLEY (steamer) Monticello Steamship Co.
GENERAL FRISBEE (steamer) Monticello Steamship Co.
KOREA II (steamer) Pacific Mail Steamship Co.
Page 41.
Unknown 4m schooner
Unknown German steamship and sail ship, "A Merry Christmas"
Page 42.
Unknown Dutch paddle wheel steamer, 2 postcards
Page 43.
MONGOLIA (steamer) Pacific Mail Steamship Co.
HARVARD (steamer)
Unknown 4m bark
Page 44.
HARTFORD (sloop of war)
USS SOUTH DAKOTA
USS CONSTITUTION
Page 45.
Middle East port painting