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Biographical Note
Dorothy Chancellor (1910-1985) was born and raised in Pasadena. Her parents were R.O. Albany and Helen Chancellor. R.O. Albany Chancellor served as private secretary to Conway Campbell-Johnston for many years. Helen Chancellor's father was at one time Rector of Church of the Angels on Avenue 64 and R.O.A. Chancellor was its treasurer for many years. Dorothy Chancellor graduated from Pasadena High School in 1928 and went on to work in the Pasadena school system from 1929-1960. She was an office clerk at McKinley Junior High for many years and an office secretary at Muir High School at the time of her retirement. Dorothy Chancellor's aunt was Ruth Thompson, who wrote children's books including, Comrades of the Desert in 1920.
Scope and Content
The Dorothy Chancellor Collection (1885-1985) includes personal, business, and legal papers and correspondence, family photos, books, scrapbooks, artwork, and schoolwork.

Box 1
- Scrapbooks Special Collection
Box 1
- First Alphabet Book DC3
Box 1
- Cloth Picture Book DC 4
Box 1
- Elsie and Elmer Book DC 5
Box 2, Folder 1
- Retirement papers
Box 2, Folder 2
- Tax returns 1939-1979
Box 2, Folder 3
- Correspondence with Executive House, Victoria, B.C., Canada, 1977-1984
Box 2, Folder 4
- Travel guides, train schedules, postcards, travel information, brochures, 1953
Box 2, Folder 5
- [Envelope] Photograph, poems, misc. newspapers, magazines, bulletins, 1913-1956
Box 2, Folder 5
- [Envelope] Business and personal correspondence, 1938-1942
Box 2, Folder 6
- American Cancer Society certificates, 1963-1969
Box 3
- Bound collection of mounted leaves
Box 3
- History of Art by Dorothy Chancellor, seven bound folders about art history
Box 4, Folder 1
- Announcements/Addresses
Box 4, Folder 2
- Business correspondence, 1962-1984
Box 4, Folder 3
- Clippings, 1962-1971
Box 4, Folder 4
- Drawings, 1917-
Box 4, Folder 5
- Ephemera-school work, report cards from Pasadena High School and Pasadena Junior College, correspondence), 1885-1929
Box 4, Folder 6
- Greeting cards, post cards
Box 4, Folder 6
- Greeting cards, post cards
Box 4, Folder 7
- Personal correspondence, 1878-1975
Box 4, Folder 7
- Photos
Box 5, Folder 1
- Announcements/Addresses, 1965-1968
Box 5, Folder 2
- Bills
Box 5, Folder 3
- Business correspondence
Box 5, Folder 4
- Clippings, 1939-1972
Box 5, Folder 5
- Drawings, 1916-
Box 5, Folder 6
- Ephemera, 1915-1984
Box 5, Folder 7
- Greeting cards/post cards, 1919-1973
Box 5, Folder 8
- Invitations
Box 5, Folder 9
- Miscellaneous business records, 1904-1982
Box 5, Folder 10
- Personal correspondence, 1889-1985
Box 5, Folder 11
- Photos-including school photo
Box 5, Folder 12
- Printed matter-booklet, The Church and Her Ways, 1927
Box 6
- City Arithmetics Grade VI, by Wentworth, Smith, Shiels, ©1916
Box 6
- An Introduction to American History, by Alice Atkinson, ©1919
Box 6
- First Book: The Progressive Course in Reading, by George I. Aldrich, ©1899
Box 6
- Comrades of the Desert: A Story for Boys, by Ruth Thompson.

Note
Inscribed by the author to her niece, Dorothy. News clipping pasted on inside cover, December 17, 1920.
| Box 7, Folder 1 | Legal correspondence- |
| | Will of Dorothy Chancellor |
| | Legal papers of estate of Harriet E. Chancellor, 1912-13 |
| | Arthur North Chancellor estate papers, 1949 |
| | Legal papers of estate of Marjorie Montgomery Ward Baker, 1959 |
| | Will of Robert O.A. Chancellor, 1966 |
| Box 7, Folder 2 | Legal correspondence, 1927-1975 |
| Box 7, Folder 3 | Wills- |
| | Folder 1-Will of Harriott Ellen Chancellor, 1911 |
| | "Letters relating to various legacies left to me (Dorothy) by my (Dorothy's family)," 1918-1943 |
| | Will of Marjorie Montgomery Ward Baker, 1912 |
| Box 8 | Photographs, daguerreotype, news clippings, Dorothy Chancellor's war ration book, English postcards |
| Box 8 | *A Picture Birthday Book for Boys and Girls* |
| Box 8 | *Holy Bible* |
| | Note |
| | Owned by Ruth Thompson and then Dorothy Chancellor, 1919. |
| Box 8 | *Baby's Kingdom* |
| | Note |
| | Baby book, made in 1885; used for Dorothy in 1911. |
| Box 8 | *Memories of My School Days, 1920s* |
| Box 9 | Dorothy Chancellor’s high school diploma, Pasadena High School, 1928 |
| Box 9 | Graduation ceremony programs, 1928 |
| Box 9 | Photograph, bookkeeping ledgers, 1875 |
| Box 9 | *The Little Folds Paper, 6/5/04 and 6/12/04* |
| Box 9 | *Object Lesson A B C, 1916* |
| Box 9 | *What a Cook Ought to Know About Cornstarch,* by Emma Churchman Hewitt |
| Box 9 | *Royal Baking and Pastry Cook* |