Guide to the James Stephens papers

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Descriptive Summary

Title: James Stephens papers
Dates: 1935-1973
Bulk Dates: 1948-1971
Collection number: MS0084
Creator: Stephens, James
Collection Size: 2.67 linear feet (1 box, oversize maps and newspapers)
Repository: Center for Sacramento History
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Abstract: The James Stephens papers document realtor James Stephens’ interest in the growth and development of the city of Sacramento during the 1940s through the 1960s. Material dates from 1935 to 1973, with the bulk from 1948 to 1971. The collection consists of newspaper pages and clippings, technical reports, community plans, photographs, books, maps, and ephemera.

Languages: Languages represented in the collection: English

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Acquisition Information
Acquired from Diane Stephens Sargeant in 2004 (accession number 2004/064).

Processing Information

Biography / Administrative History
James Stephens was a realtor in Sacramento who collected material related to Sacramento’s growth, particularly during the 1940s through 1960s.

Scope and Content of Collection
The collection contains material related to the growth of Sacramento from the 1940s through the 1960s, plus information on Sacramento floods and Old Sacramento. Material includes technical reports, community plans, preservation documents on historic houses, Sacramento aerial and street scene photographs, newspapers and clippings, maps, books, magazines, and ephemera.
Indexing Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library's online public access catalog.

Urban planning -- Sacramento (Calif.)
City planning -- Sacramento (Calif.)
Urban renewal -- Sacramento (Calif.)

Box 1, Folder 1  Aerial photographs of Sacramento, color prints 1958; 1965
Box 1, Folder 2  Aerial photographs of Sacramento, black and white prints 1948-1961
Box 1, Folder 3  Street photographs, black and white prints 1935
Box 1, Folder 4  Street photographs, black and negatives undated
Box 1, Folder 5  Old Sacramento newspaper clippings, Sacramento Bee 1967-1971
Box 1, Folder 6  Old Sacramento newspaper clippings, Sacramento Union 1967-1973
Box 1, Folder 7  Old Sacramento maps undated
Box 1, Folder 8  Old Sacramento ephemera, brochures, and booklets (1 of 2) undated
Box 1, Folder 9  Old Sacramento ephemera, brochures, and booklets (2 of 2) undated
Box 1, Folder 10 Old Sacramento Historic Area and Riverfront Park technical report (1 of 2) undated
Box 1, Folder 11 Old Sacramento Historic Area and Riverfront Park technical report (2 of 2) undated
Box 1, Folder 12 Community Plans: Airport-Meadowview 1962-1965
Box 1, Folder 13 Community Plans: Natomas-Woodlake-Noraito 1962-1965
Box 1, Folder 14 Clippings: Sacramento Rivers and Dams 1952-1971
Box 1, Folder 15 Clippings: Landmarks 1951-1970
Box 1, Folder 16 Clippings: Airports 1969
Box 1, Folder 17 Clippings: Notable People 1938-1971
Box 1, Folder 18 Clippings: Redevelopment and Renewal 1969-1971
Box 1, Folder 19 Ronald Reagan color prints, clippings, map undated
Box 1, Folder 20 Historic sites 1967-1973

General
Includes material on E. B. Crocker, the Governor's Mansion, the August Heilbron Home, homes on 21st through 23rd Streets, Rancho Del Paso, the Stanford Home, Whitney Ranch, and the Llewellyn Williams Home.

Box 1, Folder 21 Railroad clippings, ephemera, and booklets undated
Box 1, Folder 22 Freeway construction status report, map undated
Box 1, Folder 23 Sacramento city planning lists of annexations, shopping center plans, street plans, Sacramento County zoning ordinance undated
Box 1, Folder 24 Vanishing Victorians (1 of 2) undated
Box 1, Folder 25 Vanishing Victorians (2 of 2) undated
Box 1, Folder 26 Growth and Government in Sacramento undated
Box 1, Folder 27 Postcards, event programs, election booklets, PG&E newsletters, corporate brochures and booklets undated

Mapcase 2, Drawer 6
California Water Resources Department map undated

Mapcase 6, Drawer 20
Sacramento Union newspaper: “Councilmen Candidates” 1947

Mapcase 6, Drawer 20
California Centennial newspaper 1948

General
Includes issues from January 4, 11; February 1; April 4, 18, 25; May 2, 9, 16, 30; and October 17

Mapcase 6, Drawer 20
Sacramento Shopping News-Times newspaper 1947

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Sacramento Bee newspaper (1955 flood) 1955-1956

General
Includes issues from December 20, 23-24, 26-31, 1955; January 2, 1956
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