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Scope and Content
The items in this collection are dated from 1893-1909 and consist of correspondence (small amount) and business and legal documents. Under correspondence there are several letters from an injured employee, letters dealing with stockholders of Telepost, and a few letters discussing bills and agreements concerning the construction and operation of the telephone company. The business and legal documents contain various statements authorizing and acknowledging the creation of the telephone company, lists of names, minutes of different meetings, certificates of stockholders, some financial material, and other miscellaneous items.

Box 1, Folder 1 CORRESPONDENCE
1. Jan. 17, 1899, to Mr. F.M. Gray, from M.J. Dillman. concerns introduced telephone bill which was framed by the Sunset-Pacific people
3. Jan. 17, 1899, from Emma Mitchell; releases Peoples Telephone Company of payments for accident while employed by them.
4. Jan. 28, 1899, from Peoples Telephone Company, (Frank M. Gray, gen.mgr.) to Mr. Theo. Halsey (manager Sunset Telephone Co.) concerns agreement
5. Jan. 30, 1899, from Miss Emma Mitchell to Mr. Gray. concerns payment during her illness
6. copy of 5
9. Feb. 4, 1899, from G.R. Graham. assisted Maguire
10. Feb. 4, 1899, from Frank Thurber, Electrician, Peoples Tel. Co. concerning wire break down
11. March 22, 1903, from [W.E.E. Henou?] to W.A. Beasley Esq. construction of telephone system
12. April 29, 1911, from H. Lee Sellers to Mr. Charles C. Maynard. getting stockholders for Telepost
13. May 27, 1911, from C.E. Perkins to Charles C. Maynard. concerning Maynard’s shares in Telepost
14. (nd), from Frank M. Gray to Thomas J. McGeoghegan concerns McGeoghegan’s demand for payment of 2 per cent on telephones in use
15. copy of #14
16. (nd), second page from unknown manager’s letter concerns business and trouble with company which sold [UNK] to Peoples Telephone Co.

Box 1, Folder 2
BUSINESS AND LEGAL DOCUMENTS, 1893-1898 Aug.
1. Thompson v. Board of Supervisors of Alameda County franchise awarded under Act of March 23, 1893
2. copy of #1
3. Nov. 20, 1896, Articles of Incorporation of The Peoples Telephone Company
4. Feb. 15, 1897, Requests of the stockholders of the Peoples Telephone Company - increasing number of Directors
5. Feb. 20, 1897, statement by J.R. Roberts - confirmation of existence of Peoples Telephone Co.
7. Feb. 20, 1897, statement J.R. Roberts acknowledging subscribers[?] 
8. Feb. 23, 1897, statement J.R. Roberts acknowledging subscribers
9. Feb. 20, 1897, statement J.R. Roberts acknowledging corporation
10. March 1, 1897, statement by Eugene W. Levy acknowledging persons who executed annexed instrument
11. March 1, 1897, Chas. W. Smyth, acknowledges Maruice V. Samuels and connection with instrument
12. Aug. 22, 1898, Petition for writ of mandate by the Capital Telephone and Telegraph Company

Box 1, Folder 3
BUSINESS AND LEGAL DOCUMENTS, 1898 Aug.-1903 Mar. 24
1. August, 1898, Statement of Facts discussing authorization of telephone and telegraph system in San Jose
2. Dec. 22, 1898, Minutes of Third Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the Peoples Telephone Co.
3. Dec. 30, 1898, Signatures of those assenting to amendment by Directors of Peoples Tel. Co.
4. Jan. 4, 1899, Certificate of Decrease of Number of Directors of Peoples Telephone Co.
5. copy of #4
6. different copy of #4 (titled Certificate of Increase of Number of Directors of Peoples Telephone Co.) but having same wording; mistakes gone over in pencil
8. copy of #7
9. Dec. 22, 1898, announcement of Stockholder's meeting
10. Sept. 5, 1902, Ordinance No. 1423; granting permission to Sunset Telephone and Telegraph Company to build
11. Dec., 1902, Articles of Incorporation of the Oakland Home Telephone Company

Box 1, Folder 4
BUSINESS AND LEGAL DOCUMENTS, 1903 Mar. 24-1909 July 24
1. Mar. 24, 1903, First Stockholders' Meeting of Oakland Home Telephone Company
2. Mar. 24, 1903, Director's Meeting
3. April 13, 1903, Resolution for intra-state telephone, and telephone and telegraph system in city of Eureka
5. (?) 1903, By-Laws of the Oakland Home Tel. Co.
7. 1905, Vouchers
9. same as 8 (Series A. Class II)
10. same as 8 (Series A. Class I)
11. Feb. 23, 1909, Certificate for stock deposited under voting trust agreement of April 12, 1907, Charles Maynard
12. July 21, 1909, Grover Thomas Bacon, Convertible Certificate of stock (Series A. Class III)
13. same as #12 (Series A. Class II)
14. same as #12 (Series A. Class I)
15. July 24, 1909, Grover Thomas Bacon, same as #11

Box 1, Folder 5
BUSINESS AND LEGAL DOCUMENTS, 1896 Dec.-1898 July 1; n.d.
1. Dec. 1896-July 1, 1898, cost (?) of phones in city
2. (nd) names of shareholders
3. (nd) list of people whose telephones were removed for non-payment
4. (nd) advertisement for Electric Mail
5. same as #4
6. same as #4
7. same as #4
8. (nd) An Ordinance granting to W.A. Beasly, his successors and assigns, a telephone and telegraph franchise in the City of Oakland, County of Alameda, State of California
9. (nd) Contract for agreement between Kellogg Switchboard and Supply Company of Chicago and the Oakland Home Telephone Company
10. (attached to #9) Specifications for a Common Battery Multiple Switchboard for the Main Exchange at Oakland, Calif.
11. (nd) Signatures on petition asking City Council to grant application of the Home Telephone Co.