Guide to the Bailey Willis Papers SC0200

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Biographical/Historical Sketch
After early studies in Germany, Bailey Willis attended Columbia University and was awarded the degree of Mining Engineer in 1878 and of Civil Engineer in 1879. In 1884 he began his career with the United States Geological Survey, working chiefly in the Pacific Northwest. He made geological research trips to China and Argentina, before coming to Stanford University in 1915 to succeed John C. Branner as head of the Department of Geology. Willis was a popular teacher and lecturer and taught at Stanford until his retirement in 1922.

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Subjects and Indexing Terms
Golden Gate Bridge (San Francisco, Calif.)
San Andreas Fault (Calif.)
Appalachian Mountains.
Willis, Bailey
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Papers

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- Biographical memorials, 1949-62
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