Guide to the Ellen Coit Elliott Papers

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Overview

Call Number: SC0332
Creator: Elliott, Ellen Coit.
Title: Ellen Coit Elliott papers
Dates: 1891-1942
Physical Description: 0.25 Linear feet
Summary: These papers consist of photocopies of a diary, 1891 to 1893, and of her letters to her husband written from Pacific Grove, 1898 to 1904; as well as a typescript poem and a copy of her book UNICORNS BROWSING AT DAWN (1942). Subjects covered in the diary include faculty housing on Alvarado, anecdotes on faculty members and administrators, opening day exercises, the popularity of bicycles on campus, and other aspects of the early days of Stanford University. The letters were written while Ellen was staying in Pacific Grove with the children, and some include notes by the children. She writes of their walks and excursions to the beach, the children's health, her writing and reading, and news of university affairs in the press, most notably the Ross affair.

Language(s): The materials are in English.
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Biographical/Historical Sketch
Ellen Coit Elliott, wife of Orrin Leslie Elliott, Stanford University's first registrar, was the author of several books of poetry and an autobiography, IT HAPPENED THIS WAY; AMERICAN SCENE.

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Access Terms
Elliot, Ellen Coit.
Elliott, Orrin Leslie, 1860-1940
Ross, Edward Alsworth, 1866-1951.
Children--California.
Families--California.
Pacific Grove (Calif.).
Ross Affair.

Box 1  Diary 1891-1893
Box 1  Letters 1898-1904
Box 1  Typescript poem
Box 1  UNICORNS BROWSING AT DAWN 1942