Finding Aid for the Bell-Muir Family Papers, 1860-1950

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Descriptive Summary

Title: Bell-Muir Family Papers,
Date (inclusive): 1860-1950
Collection number: 718
Creator: Bell-Muir family
Extent: 30 boxes (15 linear ft.) 4 oversize boxes
Repository: University of California, Los Angeles. Library Special Collections.
Los Angeles, California 90095-1575

Abstract: Clark E. Bell (1881-1960) became agent and inspector of agencies for New York Life Insurance Company. He served as a member of the San Marino, California City Council (1942-47) and as mayor (1947-52). Mabel Muir, was a niece of the naturalist John Muir, and a prominent social and civic leader in San Marino. The collection consists of correspondence, clippings, ephemera, photographs, and scrapbooks.

Physical location: Stored off-site at SRLF. Advance notice is required for access to the collection. Please contact the UCLA Library Special Collections Reference Desk for paging information.

Language: English.

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Biography
Clark E. Bell was born in 1881; became agent and inspector of agencies for New York Life Insurance Company; served as member of the San Marino (California) City Council (1942-47) and as mayor (1947-52); he died in 1960; his wife, Mabel Muir, was a niece of the naturalist John Muir, and a prominent social and civic leader in San Marino.

Scope and Content
Collection consists of correspondence (some on microfilm), clippings, ephemera, photographs, and scrapbooks.

Indexing Terms
The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library's online public access catalog.
Bell-Muir Family--Archives.
Bell Family--Archives.
Muir Family--Archives.
Bell, Clark--Archives.

Boxes 34, 35
4 packages including scrapbooks.
Physical Description: (Unarranged).

Box 28
Red Cross Scrapbook belonging to Mrs. Clark E. Bell (Covering period July 2-10, 1942).
Scope and Content Note
Photographs. Military science commission ratings.

Box 29
Muir family genealogy, photographs, ephemera, chemistry book and scrapbook.

Box 30
Clippings, correspondence, ephemera.

Box 31
Bell-Muir letters (1907-1948).
Scope and Content Note
Political ephemera, official programs of the Olympic Games in Los Angeles (1932), and a notebook.
Paper bindings of: San Francisco; Lincoln, Nebraska; The New Home of Beta Theta Pi, Lincoln, Nebraska; and James Latimer Bruce.
Box 32  
**Letters: David Muir to Daniel Muir, and others (1869-1886). Microfilm.**

**Scope and Content Note**
Microfilm is a negative of 151 letters: the letters in this box are photocopies, apparently from the film.

**Note**
(The original letters were donated to the Huntington Library in 1970 -- Phone call, Peter Blogett to Anne Caiger, October 1987)

Box 33  
**Correspondence.**

**Scope and Content Note**
Ida T. Yost to Emma K. Muir  
Mary Sangorn to Emma Kenaston Muir  
Orpheus Kenaston to Emma Kenaston Muir  
Letters to Emma Kenaston Muir  
Mrs. Almeda M. Yates to Mrs. Emma Muir and others.

Box 34  
**(Package # 5) Photos.**

Box 36  
**Photos.**