Photograph album of a trip from Chicago to California, 1906?

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Descriptive Summary

Title: Photograph album of a trip from Chicago to California

Date (inclusive): 1906?

Note

Possible date based on date of April 1906 San Francisco earthquake (one photo shows a ruined street after the quake).

Collection number: 94/59

Physical Description: 1 album (21 photographic prints) : gelatin silver ; 19 x 26 cm (album)

Photographs are mounted on leaves of heavy black paper, interleaved with guard tissue; small strips of paper bearing typed captions affixed below each photograph.

Bound in black pebbled paper, tied with tan cord.

Spec. Coll. copy: In modern beige cloth clamshell box with velcro closure; box label reads "Chicago, California, Colorado and Salt Lake City."

Abstract: Album of photographs, possibly taken in June 1906, recording a trip west to California from Chicago, Illinois.

Language: Finding aid is written in English.

Language of the Material: Materials are in English.

Repository: University of California, Los Angeles. Library Special Collections.

Los Angeles, California 90095-1575

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

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Scope and Content

The photographer, apparently a friend of the Marks family (of Chicago?) opens the album with a photo of Mrs. Marks, in a horse and buggy, taken on Drexel Boulevard in Chicago. The photos that follow document the journey of the Marks party westward, through Colorado, where they sightsee in the Rockies, bathe in the sulphur springs in Glenwood Springs, and stay in the Antlers Hotel in Colorado Springs; and Utah, where they visit Brigham Youngs Beehive House and Eagle Gate in Salt Lake City. The album includes only one photo of San Francisco--"Frisco after the Quake"--featuring a street lined with trolley tracks, the buildings on either side completely destroyed, suggesting that perhaps the travelers visited shortly after the April 1906 earthquake. Travelling south, the sightseers visit Seal Rocks off Catalina Island, where the ladies also enjoy "marine gardens" in a glass bottom rowboat; go swimming at Long Beach; and tour Cawston's Ostrich Farm in Pasadena. Other photos include an interior shot of the dining room of the Marks family bungalow in Pasadena, and the photographer herself on horseback, out for a morning ride. A stagecoach ferries the party off to tour a mine at the Bawden-Marks Gold Mining Company camp, and the album includes several interior shots of the mine, showing miners working the ore in a narrow tunnel. Also included are a view of Yosemite Valley, and a final shot of the sightseers as they make a 10-mile trip on mules to Glacier Point, Yosemite.

Indexing Terms

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

Subjects

Marks family --Travel.
Antlers Hotel (Colo.) --Photographs.
Beehive House (Salt Lake City, Utah) --Photographs.
Cawston's Ostrich Farm (Pasadena, Calif.) --Photographs.
Bawden-Marks Gold Mining Company.
San Francisco Earthquake and Fire, Calif., 1906 --Photographs.
Gold mines and mining --California --Photographs.
Ostrich farms --California --Pasadena --Photographs.
Architecture, Domestic --California --Pasadena --Photographs.
Chicago (Ill.) --Photographs.
Colorado Springs (Colo.) --Photographs.
Glenwood Springs (Colo.) --Photographs.
Salt Lake City (Utah) --Photographs.
Pasadena (Calif.) --Photographs.
Long Beach (Calif.) --Photographs.
Santa Catalina Island (Calif.) --Photographs.
California, Southern --Photographs.
Yosemite Valley (Calif.) --Photographs.
Glacier Point (Calif.) --Photographs.

Genres and Forms of Material
Photographic prints.
Gelatin silver prints.
Photograph albums.

Related Material
Part of the [Photograph Album Collection (Collection 94)] in UCLA Library Special Collections.