Finding Aid for the Los Angeles Daily News Photographs, 1923-1954

Collection number: 1386

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Descriptive Summary

Title: Los Angeles Daily News Photographs,
Date (inclusive): 1923-1954
Collection number: 1386
Creator: Los Angeles daily news
Extent: 20 boxes (10.0 linear ft.)
Repository: University of California, Los Angeles. Library Special Collections.
Los Angeles, California 90095-1575
Abstract: The Los Angeles daily news was originally named the Illustrated daily news by Cornelius Vanderbilt, Jr. when he started it in 1923. In 1954, it merged with the Mirror and became the Mirror-News. It lost reporters, columnists, and its more liberal flavor, and ceased publication in the early 1960s. The collection consists of 20,000 contact prints (a 10% sample) from the Los Angeles daily news morgue negatives in collection 1387.
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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Provenance/Source of Acquisition

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Biography
The Los Angeles daily news was originally named the Illustrated daily news by Cornelius Vanderbilt, Jr. when he started it in 1923. He copied the tabloid format of the New York daily news, although he rejected lurid and sensational journalism. In 1926 the paper went bankrupt and was taken over by Manchester Boddy, who changed the name to the Los Angeles daily news. He kept the tabloid format, with its heavy reliance on photographs. In 1954 it merged with the Mirror, the afternoon paper of the Los Angeles times, and became the Mirror-News. It lost reporters, columnists, and its more liberal flavor, and
ceased publication in the early 1960s.

Scope and Content
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Organization and Arrangement
Arranged in the following series:
1. Subject files in alphabetical order (Boxes 1-17).
2. Miscellaneous dating guide information (Box 18).
3. Subject index to Daily News (Boxes 19-20).

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

Los Angeles daily news--Archives.
American newspapers--California--Los Angeles--Archival resources.

- Los Angeles Daily News Records (Collection 1208). Available at UCLA Library Special Collections, Charles E. Young Research Library.
- Los Angeles Daily News Negatives (Collection 1387). Available at UCLA Library Special Collections, Charles E. Young Research Library.

Morgue Photograph Collection. Los Angeles, ca. 1923-1954
Creator/Collector: The Los Angeles Daily News
Physical Description: (17 boxes, 20,000 contact prints)
Scope and Content Note
The Los Angeles Daily News, now defunct, flourished ca. 1923-1954. Funded by a grant from The National Endowment for the Humanities, a selection of 10% of the negatives was made from The Los Angeles Daily News morgue negative collection [Collection 1386], printed, and indexed.

1. Photographers--Los Angeles.
2. Photography, Journalistic.
3. Los Angeles--History.
4. Newspaper publishing.
5. Los Angeles (California)--Views.
7. Photography--California.