Finding Aid for the Ernest Mitchell Pratt Photographs of Mark Daniels' Architecture, ca. 1915-1929

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Descriptive Summary

Title: Ernest Mitchell Pratt Photographs of Mark Daniels' Architecture,
Date (inclusive): ca. 1915-1929
Collection number: 2109
Creator: Pratt, Ernest Mitchell, 1876-1945
Extent: 2 oversize boxes
Repository: University of California, Los Angeles. Library. Department of Special Collections.

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Abstract: Mark Daniels was a Southern California architect who designed homes and gardens in the Bel Air area of Los Angeles and vicinity. Ernest Mitchell Pratt and Viroque Baker photographed Daniels' houses and landscape architecture to be published in magazines such as *Country life* and *Town and country review*, mostly in the 1920s. The collection consists of 148 mounted photographs of Mark Daniels' architecture and landscape architecture in Southern California, mostly in the Bel Air area of Los Angeles.

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Language: English.

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**Biography**
Mark Daniels was a Southern California architect who designed stately homes and gardens in the Bel Air area of Los Angeles and vicinity; Ernest Mitchell Pratt and Viroque Baker shared a photographic studio in Olvera Street in downtown Los Angeles, and their photographs of Daniels' houses and landscape architecture were published in magazines such as *Country life* and *Town and country review*, mostly in the 1920s.

**Scope and Content**
Collection consists of 148 mounted photographs of Mark Daniels' architecture and landscape architecture in Southern California, mostly in the Bel Air area of Los Angeles. The photographs, variously signed by E.M. Pratt and/or Viroque Baker, are of various sizes, chiefly 46.5 × 35.5 cm. Twenty-three reduced format copies of photographs in the collection have been removed from the collection and are stored in the vertical file.

**Indexing Terms**
The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library's online public access catalog.
- Pratt, Ernest Mitchell, 1876-1945--Archives.
- Baker, Viroque--Archives.
- Daniels, Mark Roy, b. 1881.
- Photographers--California, Southern--Archival resources.
- Architects--California, Southern.
- Architectural photography--California, Southern.
- Photographs.
  - 23 photographs (reduced format: 10.5 × 13 cm. or 13 × 10.5 cm.), printed on RC paper (Negatives available).
  - These images are copies of items in Boxes 1-2, negative numbers are marked on the verso of the images. Stored in Vertical Files (at the end of Collection 99).

**Related Material**
Ernest Mitchell Pratt Photographs (Collection 1217). Available at Department of Special Collections, UCLA.

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**Box 1**

1. **House for A.E. Bell - gate.**

Box 1

2. **A.E. Bell House.**

   Physical Description: (Horizontal).
Box 1

3-17. **A.E. Bell Gardens.**

Box 1

18-20. **Entrance gates to Bel-Air.**

Box 1

21-22. **A bridge in Bel-Air.**

    Physical Description: (no.22 horizontal).

Box 1

23-37. **Bel-Air Administration Building, interior and exterior views.**

    Physical Description: (no.35, 36 unmounted, 29.2 × 19.6 cm. and 33 × 25.5 cm.; no.37 mounted, 27.9 × 25 cm.).

Box 1

38-39. **Bel-Air Administration Building, A.E. Bell's office (interior views).**

Box 1

40-49. **Bel-Air Bay Club.**

    Physical Description: (no.48, 49 photos of drawings).

Box 1

50. **Bel-Air Country Club.**

Box 1

51-53. **G.W. Boggs Residence, Bel-Air.**

Box 1

54-55. **L.A. Brunsan Home.**

Box 1

56. **H.R. Callendar Estate - The Gates.**

Box 1

57-61. **Castellamare Business Building.**

    Physical Description: (no.57, 58 duplicates).

Box 1

62-66. **A.M. Chaffey Residence.**
Box 1


Box 2

72-82. Mark Daniels - Residence and Gardens, interior and exterior views.

    Physical Description: (no.81, 82 unmounted, 34.2 × 27.5 cm., and 27.5 × 35.2 cm.).

Box 2

83-86. Honald Garden.

Box 2

87-89. C. Van R. Johnson Residence - Miramar Estates, Los Angeles.

    Physical Description: (no.89 unmounted, 28.5 × 26.5 cm., horizontal).

Box 2


    Physical Description: (no.92 unmounted, 27.8 × 35.1 cm., horizontal).

Box 2

93. Maline Garden.

Box 2

94-96. John McCormack Estate.

Box 2


Box 2

99. Mount Saint Mary's College Los Angeles, California, 1929.

    Physical Description: (Photo of drawing - artist's conception).

Box 2

100. Garnet Rainey Residence.

Box 2


    Physical Description: (no.104, 105 unmounted, 28.8 × 36.4 cm.).
106-110. C.E. Sears Residence and Gardens.

Box 2


Physical Description: (no.118, 119 35.5 × 42.2 cm. and 35.5 × 42.5 cm., horizontal).

Box 2

122-163. Miscellaneous unidentified views, interior and exterior.

Physical Description: (no.136 horizontal).

[Mark Daniels]

Note
The following are not photographs by Ernest Pratt or Viroque Baker, but are part of Mark Daniels's papers.

Box 2


Physical Description: (22.7 × 29.5 cm. and 22.9 × 30.1 cm.).

Box 2

139-140. Hotel at Lake Jovita, Florida.

Physical Description: (13.5 × 24.3 cm. and 15.6 × 23.9 cm.).

Box 2

141-142. Hotel at Biskra, California.

Physical Description: (15.6 × 14.3 cm. and 17.3 × 24.1 cm.).

Box 2

143. Unidentified photograph by Arthur W. Smith: Patio remodeled into more modern.

Box 2

144-148. Photostats of prints. Old master brought by Mr. Daniels from Europe.