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Descriptive Summary

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Scope and Content
Collection consists of scrapbooks, correspondence, photographs, books, ephemera, miscellaneous papers and memorabilia relating to Puckett's service as a U.S. Army pilot in 1918, to the Ford motor agency he operated, and his interest in horses and aviation. Includes riding trophies, scrapbooks relating to the Uplifters Club and to Will Rogers, and a painting and statue of Rogers.

Indexing Terms
The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library's online public access catalog.
Puckett, Thomas Lyell, 1891-1972--Archives.
Automobile dealers--California, Southern--Archival resources.
Scrapbooks.
Box 1

**Aviation. 1919-1957.**

Physical Description: (7 items)
Scope and Content Note
Includes 4 issues of *Tale Spins* (The National Aircraft Magazine), vol.2 no.16-17. (December 1919) & vol.3 no.2-3. (January 15, February 1, 1920), Houston, Texas.

Box 1

**Papers. 1962-1972.**

Physical Description: (3 folders)
Scope and Content Note
re the Daedalians.
Includes correspondence, printed constitution & by-laws, membership rosters & copies of *Daedalus Flyer*.

Box 2

**Miscellany. 1921-1958.**

Physical Description: (1 folder)
Scope and Content Note
re Thomas Lyell Puckett’s Ford agency.
Includes correspondence, brochures and pamphlets.
Note
[See also package 6]

Box 2

**Miscellaneous correspondence. 1925-1965.**

Physical Description: (1 folder)

Box 2

**re Will Rogers.**

Physical Description: 4 items.
Scope and Content Note
Including an inscribed copy of *Will Rogers, ambassador of good will* ... by P.J. O’Brien. [Philadelphia, John C. Winston Company. 1935].

Box 2

**Memorabilia. ca. 1915-1972.**

Physical Description: (2 folders)
Scope and Content Note
Includes statement re Thomas Lyell Puckett Varsity Football Memorial Trophy.

Box 2


Box 3

**Miscellany. ca. 1922-1964.**

Scope and Content Note
re the Uplifters Club.
Also, scrapbooks, photographs & memorabilia.
| Box 4 | **Scrapbook & clippings. 1932-1969.** |
| Box 5 | **2 photograph albums. 1950s.** |
|       | Scope and Content Note |
|       | Mainly re horse-racing. |

**Box 5**

**Miscellaneous photographs.**

Scope and Content Note

Including one of Thomas Lyell Puckett’s 50th anniversary party, with Eugene W. Biscailuz and Hal Roach.

**Box 6**

**16 trophies.**

Scope and Content Note

re Uplifters Club competitions, including 6 sterling silver pieces (5 cups and a bowl).

**Box 7**

**16 trophies.**

Scope and Content Note

re various competitions, including 3 sterling silver pieces (2 cups and a beaker).

**Box 8**

**Polo helmet, boot remover.**

**Box 13**

**1 pair of boots.**

**Oversize box 9**

**12 photographs and attached clippings.**

Scope and Content Note

Mostly re Uplifters Club; persons represented include Will Rogers and Eugene W. Biscailuz.

**Oversize box 10**

**Scrapbook.**

Scope and Content Note

re Uplifters Club.

Includes photographs of Mary Pickford, Will Rogers, Eugene W. Viscailuz, Henry Ford II, and J. Dale Gentry.

**Oversize box 12**

**Scrapbook.**

Scope and Content Note

Includes photographs of Mary Pickford, J. Dale Gentry and T. Lyell Puckett.

**Oversize box 11**

**Scrapbook. 1935.**

Scope and Content Note

re Will Rogers’ death and funeral.

**Oversize box 11**

**Photograph album.**

Physical Description: Covers made from aircraft metal and pages are oiled fabric from aircraft wings.

Scope and Content Note

re Ellington Field.

**Oversize box 11**

**Printed copy of painting, “John Longden’s final victory,” signed by Longden.**

**Ford Motor Agency sales record book. 1927-1929.**

Scope and Content Note

Contains photographs of construction of agency building.

**Box 14**

**Painting of Will Rogers.**

Physical Description: Framed within a motor tyre.

**Box 14**

**Statue of Will Rogers.**
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