Descriptive Summary
Title: San Bernardino County, California collection
Date (inclusive): circa 1892-2003, undated
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Abstract: The San Bernardino County, California collection contains press clippings, correspondence, brochures, maps, and other material pertaining to the history, culture, tourism, and local communities of the county. Material related to heritage sites, cultural institutions, natural landmarks, residential life, and tourist attractions are included. The county of San Bernardino was officially created on April 26, 1853 from parts of Los Angeles, San Diego and Mariposa Counties. The city of San Bernardino was incorporated as the county seat in 1854.
Languages: The collection is in English.
Access
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Historical Note
Explorations of the San Bernardino area began in the 1770s and continued into the nineteenth century. In 1810, Franciscan missionary Francisco Dumatz, of the San Gabriel Mission, named the San Bernardino valley in observance of the feast day of Saint Bernardine of Siena. Later in the century, the county was used for gold and silver mining, as well as the agricultural development of citrus fruit. The county of San Bernardino was officially created on April 26, 1853 from parts of Los Angeles, San Diego and Mariposa Counties. The city of San Bernardino was incorporated as the county seat in 1854.
Collection Scope and Contents
The San Bernardino County, California collection contains press clippings, correspondence, brochures, maps, and other material pertaining to the history, culture, tourism, and local communities of the county. Select media publications include local newspapers and magazines discussing cultural events, community life, and historical information. Ephemera pertaining to tourism in the county primarily relates to Joshua Tree National Park, surrounding campgrounds, and the desert communities of Twentynine Palms and Yucca Valley.
Collection Arrangement
This collection is arranged into three series as follows:
Series 1. County History and Culture, circa 1892-1996, undated
Series 2. Local News, 1942-2000
Indexing Terms
The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library's online public access catalog.
Subjects
Joshua Tree National Park (Calif.).
San Bernardino County (Calif.).
Twentynine Palms (Calif.).
Yucca Valley (Calif.).

Genres and Forms of Materials
Clippings (information artifacts).
Correspondence.
Publications.

Series 1. County History and Culture circa 1892-1996, undated

Series Scope and Contents
This series contains various media publications, newspaper clippings, and other material regarding county history, historical and natural landmarks, and cultural events and institutions in San Bernardino communities.

Collection Arrangement
This series is arranged sequentially according to box and folder number.

Box 1, Folder 1
Correspondence, reports, and other material pertaining to the Air Pollution Control District. 1955-1962, undated.

Box 1, Folder 2
Media publications and other material regarding county history, historical and natural landmarks, and local businesses and organizations. ca. 1897-1982, undated.

Box 1, Folder 3
Media publications, clippings, and other material documenting the history, culture, and residential life of multiple county sites. ca. 1900-1986, undated.

Box 1, Folder 4
Programs of the annual National Orange Show of San Bernardino. 1916-1939.

Box 1, Folder 5
Newspaper clippings regarding historical and natural landmarks, cultural institutions, and county history. 1968-1986.

Box 1, Folder 6

Box 1, Folder 7
Newspaper clippings regarding county history, cultural institutions, and local events. Includes several articles about "The Old Woman Meteorite." ca. 1892-1989, undated.

Box 1, Folder 8

Box 1, Folder 9

Box 1, Folder 10
"Report of the Mining Properties of the Brick Consolidated Mining Company" regarding the site known as the "St. George-Boomerang" that is located in the Eastern portion of San Bernardino County, California near the Nevada state line. September 1, 1900.

Series 2. Local News 1942-2000

Series Scope and Contents
This series contains local newspapers and various press clippings taken from publications based in Twentynine Palms, California. The material refers to community events, issues, and the local history of the city. The newspaper titled "The Desert Trail" is the official paper of Twentynine Palms and "Pioneer Days" is a supplement to it. Significant gaps exist within the given date ranges for publications.

Collection Arrangement
This series is arranged sequentially according to box and folder number.

Box 3, Folder 1

Box 3, Folder 2

Box 3, Folder 3

Box 3, Folder 4

Box 3, Folder 5
Newspaper clippings regarding historical and local events, primarily in Twentynine Palms. Includes some clippings pertaining to city recreation. 1942-1969.
| Box 3, Folder 7 | Newspapers from Twentynine Palms, California titled "The Desert Trail." Includes excerpts from supplementary publications. 1974-1999. |
| Box 3, Folder 8 | Clippings from local desert community newspapers and select editions of supplemental magazines. 1973-2000. |

Series 3. Tourism and Recreation 1948-2003, undated

Series Scope and Contents
This series contains leaflets, maps, brochures, and other material pertaining to tourist attractions within the county. Material is primarily composed of ephemera regarding Joshua Tree National Park and local campgrounds. This series also includes information related to recreation in the California desert communities of Twentynine Palms and Yucca Valley.

Collection Arrangement
This series is arranged sequentially according to box and folder number.

| Box 2, Folder 1 | Maps with supplemental documents describing attractions of county campgrounds. Includes a map of San Bernardino County. 1968, undated. |
| Box 2, Folder 3 | Leaflets, clippings, and other material pertaining to Joshua Tree National Park. 1948-1996, undated. |
| Box 2, Folder 4 | Leaflets, brochures, and other material pertaining to natural and cultural history, recreation, and the local community of Twentynine Palms, California. 1957-2003, undated. |
| Box 2, Folder 5 | Visitors guides and newspaper clippings pertaining to Twentynine Palms, California, Joshua Tree National Park, and other communities of the Southern California desert. Includes a map of the area created by the United States Geological Survey. 1972-2002, undated. |
| Box 2, Folder 6 | Media publications pertaining to the Yucca Valley community, tourism, and recreation. Includes visitors guides and a brochure. 1994-2001, undated. |