Ian A. Smith papers

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Descriptive Summary

Title: Ian A. Smith papers

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Abstract: Ian A. Smith was an employee of the California Portland Cement Company's Colton Plant from 1952-1977. Smith also conducted research regarding the history of mining operations at Slover Mountain in Colton, California. The Ian A. Smith papers primarily focus on the California Portland Cement Company's presence at Slover Mountain, but also contain material regarding Isaac Slover and the history of the southwestern United States, particularly that of San Bernardino County, California. Two versions of Smith's manuscript "Vanishing Mountain: A History of Mining Operations at Mt. Slover, Colton, California" are included. Additionally, the collection includes photographs, notes, correspondence, press clippings, maps, and other material related to Smith's research.

Languages: The collection is in English.

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Acquisition Information
The Ian A. Smith papers were acquired as a gift in 1988.

Processing History
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Biographical Note

1920  Ian A. Smith was born on October 15th.
1952  Smith began working for the California Portland Cement Company's Colton Plant.
1953  Smith was promoted to Quarry Superintendent.
1958  Smith was promoted to General Quarry Superintendent of the Colton and Mojave Plants.
1968  Smith was promoted to Chief Mining Engineer.
1977  Ian A. Smith's employment with the California Portland Cement Company ended as a result of disability.

Collection Scope and Contents
This collection contains materials created and collected by Ian A. Smith, an employee of the California Portland Cement Company's Colton Plant from 1952-1977, as he researched the history of mining operations conducted at Mount Slover in Colton, California. The collection primarily focuses on the California Portland Cement Company's mining operations at Mount Slover, but also contains materials regarding Isaac Slover and the history of the southwestern United States, particularly that of San Bernardino County, California. Two versions of Smith's manuscript, "Vanishing Mountain: A History of Mining Operations at Mt. Slover, Colton, California", are included. Additionally, the collection includes photographs,
notes, correspondence, press clippings, maps, and other material related to Smith's research.

Collection Arrangement
The Ian A. Smith Papers Collection is organized into three series as follows:

Series 2. Research materials, 1857-1985, undated

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

Subjects
Slover, Isaac
California Portland Cement Company
Colton (Calif.)
San Bernardino County (Calif.)

Genres and Forms of Materials
Documents
Manuscripts
Photographs


Series Scope and Contents
This series is comprised of Ian A. Smith's manuscript regarding the history of mining operations at Mount Slover in Colton, California. Two versions of the manuscript are included: the original manuscript titled "Hardrock" and the second draft where the title was changed to "Vanishing Mountain".

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

Box 1, Folder 1
"Hardrock: A History of Mining Operations at Mt. Slover, Colton, California" by Ian A. Smith; pages 1-70 of original manuscript with some additional handwritten notes 1978

Box 1, Folder 2
"Hardrock: A History of Mining Operations at Mt. Slover, Colton, California" by Ian A. Smith; pages 71-141 of original manuscript 1978

Box 1, Folder 3
"Vanishing Mountain: A History of Mining Operations at Mt. Slover, Colton, California" by Ian A. Smith; pages 1-70 of the manuscript's second draft that includes the title change from "Hardrock" to "Vanishing Mountain" 1981

Box 1, Folder 4
"Vanishing Mountain: A History of Mining Operations at Mt. Slover, Colton, California" by Ian A. Smith; pages 71-142 of the manuscript's second draft that includes the title change from "Hardrock" to "Vanishing Mountain" 1981

Box 1, Folder 5
Vanishing Mountain: A History of Mining Operations at Mt. Slover, Colton, California" by Ian A. Smith; pages 1-70 of the manuscript's second draft that includes the title change from "Hardrock" to "Vanishing Mountain" (photocopy) 1981

Box 1, Folder 6
"Vanishing Mountain: A History of Mining Operations at Mt. Slover, Colton, California" by Ian A. Smith; pages 71-142 of the manuscript's second draft that includes the title change from "Hardrock" to "Vanishing Mountain" (photocopy) 1981
Series 2. Research materials 1857-1985, undated

Series Scope and Contents
This series is comprised of notes, correspondence, press clippings, photographs, and other material collected by Smith as he researched the history of mining operations at Mount Slover in Colton, California. Topics included in the series are Isaac Slover and family, the California Portland Cement Company, the history of California and San Bernardino County, and expeditions to the southwestern United States.

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

Box 2, Folder 1  
Correspondence, research notes, and other material regarding the Slover family history 1931-1980, undated

Box 2, Folder 2  
Press clippings, maps, and other material regarding Isaac Slover, the history of San Bernardino County, and Louis Rubidoux 1922-1979, undated

Box 2, Folder 3  
Field notes, publications, and other material regarding Mexican land Grants in California, Colton’s Spanish heritage, Agua Mansa, and Rancho Jurupa 1857-1979, undated

Box 2, Folder 4  
Research notes, photographs, and other material regarding the history of San Bernardino County and California, Agua Mansa, and the fur trade in the western United States 1868-1980, undated

Box 2, Folder 5  
Articles regarding the history of California, the Spanish Trail from New Mexico to California, and fur traders of the Southwest (photocopies) 1857-1964, undated

Box 2, Folder 6  
Articles regarding early expeditions to the western United States as well as the histories of New Mexico, Colorado, and Oklahoma (photocopies) 1905-1972, undated

Box 2, Folder 7  
Research notes, financial records, and other material regarding Slover Mountain, the California Portland Cement Company's Colton Plant, and California's mineral resources 1857-1981, undated

Box 2, Folder 8  
Research notes, correspondence, and other material regarding Slover Mountain, the California Portland Cement Company's Colton Plant, and California mineral resources (some items are photocopies) 1888-1978, undated

Box 2, Folder 9  
Research notes, press clippings, and other material regarding Slover Mountain, and the California Portland Cement Company's Colton Plant (some items are photocopies) 1925-1977, undated

Box 2, Folder 10  
Press clippings, correspondence, and other material regarding Slover Mountain, the California Portland Cement Company's Colton Plant, and the histories of Colton and San Bernardino (some items are photocopies) 1898-1958, undated

Box 3, Folder 1  
Photographs, press clippings, and correspondence regarding mining and quarry equipment used at California Portland Cement Company’s Colton Plant (some items are photocopies) 1926-1953, undated

Box 3, Folder 2  
Documents regarding the operations of the California Portland Cement Company’s Colton Plant on Slover Mountain (some items are photocopies) 1916-1981, undated

Box 3, Folder 3  
Press clippings regarding Slover Mountain and the California Portland Cement Company's Colton Plant 1978-1985

Box 3, Folder 4  
Maps, research notes, and other material regarding the California Portland Cement Company's Colton Plant and Isaac Slover. 1901-1982, undated


Series Scope and Contents
This series is comprised of photographs and negatives primarily regarding California Portland Cement Company’s Colton Plant employees, equipment, and mining blasts. Additional topics include Mount Slover and the Agua Mansa Cemetery.

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

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Photographs of Slover Mountain as well as California Portland Cement Company's Colton Plant and its employees 1915-1965, undated
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