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**Descriptive Summary**

**Title:** William T. Horne memorial avocado collection  
**Date (inclusive):** 1826-1980, undated  
**Date (bulk):** 1920-1960  
**Collection Number:** UA 051  
**Creator:** University of California Riverside. Citrus Research Center and Agricultural Experiment Station.  
**Extent:** 5.0 linear feet (4 document boxes; on-shelf)  
**Repository:** Rivera Library. Special Collections Department. Riverside, CA 92517-5900  

**Abstract:** The William T. Horne memorial avocado collection contains administrative records, correspondence, clippings, photographs, publications, and other material pertaining to the Citrus Experiment Station agricultural library, citrus and avocado related research, and the citrus and avocado commercial industries. Topics include avocado growing and growers' associations, the production and marketing of avocados, and the scientific study of avocado plants. Records document the development and use of the Citrus Experiment Station agricultural library, administrative activities of professional associations, and commercial and domestic aspects of citrus fruit.  

**Languages:** The bulk of the collection is in English. Select publications are in Spanish, French, German, and Russian.  

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**Custodial History**  
The William T. Horne memorial avocado collection was originally housed in the Citrus Experiment Station's agricultural library. It was the product of a collaborative effort between the Citrus Experiment Station and the California Avocado Society to create a world-class library collection on avocado information. Planning for the collection began in 1952 and a donation was made by the California Avocado Society to purchase material. Items from the William T. Horne memorial avocado collection now reside as part of the archival collection in Special Collections & Archives as well as in the UCR Libraries as cataloged material.  

**Acquisition Information**  
Information unavailable.  

**Processing History**  
Processed by Hollie Johnson, 2011.  
Processing of the William T. Horne memorial avocado collection was generously funded by the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, and administered by the Council on Library and Information Resources (CLIR). The University of California, Riverside was awarded a Cataloging Hidden Special Collections and Archives grant from 2010-2012, "Uncovering California's Environmental Collections," in collaboration with eight additional special collections and archival repositories throughout the state and the California Digital Library (CDL). Grant objectives included processing of over 33 hidden collections related to the state’s environment and environmental history. The collections document an array of important sub-topics such as irrigation, mining, forestry, agriculture, industry, land use, activism, and research. Together they form a multifaceted picture of the natural world and the way it was probed, altered, exploited and protected in California over the twentieth century. Finding aids are made available through the Online Archive of California (OAC).  

**Collection Scope and Content Summary**  
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production and marketing of avocados, and the scientific study of avocado plants. Records document the development and use of the Citrus Experiment Station agricultural library, administrative activities of professional associations, and commercial and domestic aspects of citrus fruit.

Collection Arrangement
This collection is arranged into the following three series:

Series 2: Citrus research and industry, circa 1910-1959, undated.

Related Material
Additional material from the William T. Horne memorial avocado collection has been cataloged and is available in the UCR Libraries.

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

Subjects
Avocado.
Avocado industry.
Citrus fruit industry.
Condit, Ira, J.
Halma, Frederick F., 1887-1963.
Uncovering California’s Environmental Collections Project.

University of California Riverside. Citrus Research Center and Agricultural Experiment Station.
Webber, Herbert John, 1865-1946.

Genres and Forms of Materials
Administrative records.
Clippings (information artifacts).
Correspondence.
Photographs.
Programs.
Publications.
Reports.


Series Scope and Content Summary
This series contains correspondence, bibliographies, and other material from the William T. Horne memorial avocado collection. Circulation records, bibliographies, and a portion of the collection's circulating publications are included. The material constitutes only a small sample of the administrative records produced by the agricultural library.

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

Box 1, Folder 1

Box 1, Folder 2
Manuscript written by Dr. Ira Condit explaining the scope and content of the William T. Horne memorial avocado collection. Includes a bibliography of titles to purchase for the library collection. undated.

Box 1, Folder 3

Box 1, Folder 4
Correspondence between the California Avocado Society and Ms. Kathryn Forrest, a librarian at the University of California, Riverside Agricultural Library. 1963-1967.


Series Scope and Content Summary
This series contains photographs, publications, and other material regarding citrus research and the citrus industry.

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

- Box 1, Folder 6: Clippings and manuscripts about citrus judging methods and standards. 1925-1927.
- Box 1, Folder 7: Photographs of citrus trees and orchard equipment. 1937-1948, undated.
- Box 1, Folder 8: Publications from the citrus industry advertising citrus products and recipes. 1924-1959, undated.
- Box 1, Folder 9: Publications and clippings of citrus industry research about pruning methods and citrus products. 1915-1935.

Unboxed
- Student theses for the Bachelor of Science degree from the College of Agriculture, Division of Citriculture, University of California primarily dealing with agriculture. circa 1910-1920.
- Curriculum for correspondence courses in agriculture from the University of California, College of Agriculture, Agricultural Experiment Station. circa 1920-1930.
- Laboratory and field excursion notes in citriculture and sub-tropical horticulture, University of California. circa 1920-1930.
- Field notes on Summer Session/Traveling courses in citriculture and horticulture, University of California. circa 1915-1925.


Series Scope and Content Summary
This series contains publications, clippings, photographs, administrative records, and other material regarding avocado research and the avocado industry. Administrative records including meeting minutes, programs, publications, and clippings from the Calavo avocado growers, the California Avocado Society, and multiple chapters of the Farm Bureau are also included.

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

- Box 1, Folder 10: Publications and other material from the Calavo avocado growers of California. Includes marketing advice, recipes, and annual reports. Includes select volumes of the Calavo news. 1926-1964.
- Box 1, Folder 11: Price lists from the Calavo avocado growers of California showing the prices of avocados by variety. 1943-1957.
- Box 1, Folder 12: Minutes from the California Avocado Advisory Board. 1968-1969.
- Box 1, Folder 13: Newsletters and memorandums from the Calavo avocado growers of California. 1932-1961.
- Box 1, Folder 14: Minutes of the California Avocado Advisory Board. 1968-1969.
- Box 1, Folder 15: Publications, programs, and minutes of the California Avocado Association and the California Avocado Society. 1917-1962.
- Box 1, Folder 16: Programs and correspondence from the Avocado Growers Institute of La Habra and San Diego County. 1937-1954.
- Box 1, Folder 17: Programs, clippings, and minutes from the Los Angeles County Farm Bureau avocado department meetings. 1932-1955.
- Box 1, Folder 18: Agendas from the California Farm Bureau avocado department meetings. 1950-1957. Correspondence, clippings, and programs from the Orange County Farm Bureau. 1931-1957, undated.
- Box 1, Folder 19: Programs from the Carlsbad Avocado Day. 1926-1927.
- Box 1, Folder 20: Reports and correspondence from the Ventura County Farm Bureau Avocado Variety Committee. 1928-1929.
- Box 1, Folder 21: Annual reports from the La Habra Heights Avocado Association. 1941-1955.
| Box 1, Folder 22 | Annual reports from the Varieties Committee of the California Avocado Association 1934-1940. |
| Box 2, Folder 1 | Publications and clippings advertising avocado nurseries and avocado groves. 1914-1922, undated. |
| Box 2, Folder 2 | Manuscript written by Wilson Popenoe describing his trip to Atlixico, Mexico. 1938. |
| Box 2, Folder 3 | Programs, correspondence, and other material regarding avocado judging standards and methods. 1917, undated. |
| Box 2, Folder 4 | Reports and publications about marketing and economics in the avocado industry. 1975-1978, undated. |
| Box 2, Folder 5 | Publications of Growth, a monthly magazine about financial issues in the California agriculture industry. 1926-1927. |
| Box 2, Folder 6 | Manuscripts, publications, and other material about avocado orchard management. 1949-1976, undated. |
| Box 2, Folder 7 | Clippings and other material about the Parent Fuerte Avocado Tree in Atlixico, Mexico. 1938, undated. |
| Box 2, Folder 8 | Publications, manuscripts, and other material about avocado industry production. 1925-1962, undated. |
| Box 2, Folder 9 | Syllabi for an avocado production and marketing course from the University of California Cooperative Agricultural Extension. 1977. |
| Box 2, Folder 11 | Publications and other material about avocado flower research. 1924-1976. |
| Box 2, Folder 12 | Manuscript and publication about avocado oil research. 1928, 1939. |
| Box 2, Folder 13 | Publications and research about the vitamins and dietary benefits of avocados. 1926-1955. |
| Box 2, Folder 14 | Reports from the University of California Division of Agricultural Sciences regarding the termination of projects. 1960-1966. |
| Box 2, Folder 15 | Publications and manuscripts about soil research. 1975-1976. |
| Box 3, Folder 1 | Research about pests and diseases. 1912-1980. |
| Box 3, Folder 2 | Project files by Dr. Condit about avocados. Listed as Project 305, The Avocado, conducted at Berkeley, California. 1914-1915. |
| Box 3, Folder 3 | Publications and research about irrigation. 1974-1976. |
| Box 3, Folder 4 | Publications, research, and other material regarding avocado varieties in the United States. 1897-1927, undated. |
| Box 3, Folder 5 | Publications (international) and research about avocado varieties. Most items are in a foreign language, including Spanish, French and German. 1826-1955, undated. |
| Box 4, Folder 1 | Photographs of an avocado growers meeting in Vista, California. 1943. |
| Box 4, Folder 2 | Photographs of avocado trees and avocado groves. 1922-1927, undated. |
| Box 4, Folder 3 | Photographs of avocados. 1919-1921, undated. |
| Box 4, Folder 4 | Photographs of avocado displays and advertisements. 1926, undated. |
| Box 4, Folder 5 | Photographs of avocado and avocado tree bark at the microscopic level. undated. |
| Box 4, Folder 6 | Photographs of young avocado plants. 1937, 1953, undated. |
| Box 4, Folder 7 | Publications and clippings about the history and culture of the avocado. Recipes are included in some of the publications. 1900-1921, undated. |
| Box 4, Folder 8 | Publications (international) and clippings about avocados. All items are in a foreign language, including Spanish, French, and Russian. 1933-1951, undated. |