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Corporate History
This organization, founded in 1915 but minimally active since the 1922 defeat of a California antivivisection initiative, was reorganized in 1937 to work against the proposed State Humane Pound Law (initiative number 2 on the November 8, 1938 ballot). The Society apparently also opposed another such initiative in 1948. The Society's purpose was expressed in Article II of its By-Laws: "The purpose of the Society is to disseminate accurate information as to the methods and benefits of animal experimentation and to stimulate and guard scientific research." The 1937 reorganization created a Northern California committee with offices on Pine Street in San Francisco and a Southern California committee with offices in the Chamber of Commerce building in Los Angeles.

Scope and Content
Minutes, financial records, correspondence, memoranda, notes, lists, clippings, reprints, pamphlets, draft articles, periodicals. This collection focuses on the Society's efforts against the 1938 initiative, and offers a look into the organization and workings of a successful political campaign. There are also materials referencing earlier and later campaigns around the same issue.

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