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personal name

Lyman, Jonathan Frederick (b. 1871)

personal name

Lyman, Anna Moyle

corporate name

Lengfeld (A.L.) Drugs (San Francisco, Calif.)

corporate name

Buell Lumber Company (Stockton, Calif.)

corporate name

University of the Pacific

subject

Education -California -History

subject

Drugstores -California -San Francisco

subject

Lumber-yards -California -Stockton

subject

Students -Diaries

subject

San Jose (Calif.) -Social life and customs

subject

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Biography

Jonathan F. Lyman (b. 1871) grew up in San Jose (Calif.) where he worked as a janitor, soda jerk, clerk and carpenter while briefly enrolled as a pre-ministerial student at the University of the Pacific (1890-92). Following his marriage to Belle Moyle, a UOP Academy student (1893), Lyman quit school and subsequently moved to Stockton (1895) where he worked as a carpenter until about 1899. He, his, wife, and his five children were living in San Mateo in 1900. The 1910 census indicates that his wife is a widow living in Turlock.

Scope and Content

The three Lyman Diaries chronicle Jonathan F. Lyman's experiences as a youth in San Jose, Calif.; as a student at the University of the Pacific (1890-1892); and, as a young husband working as a carpenter in Stockton, Calif. (1895-1897).

BOX 1: LYMAN DIARIES

1.1: DIARY #1 (1890) [contains descriptions of soda jerk employment with A.L. Lengfeld, San Francisco; studies at UOP and visit to new Stanford University]

1.2: DIARY #2 (1891) [continues description of studies at UOP; mentions summer employment in Santa Clara Valley orchards]

1.3: DIARY #3 (1892-1897) [continues description of studies at UOP and afterward; Lyman opens a store at UOP selling sundries to students (1892); Lyman marries Belle Moyle, a UOP Academy student, and quits school; describes move to and work in Stockton (1895-1897)]