San Joaquin County (Calif.) Sheriff's Records

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Descriptive Summary
Title: San Joaquin County (Calif.) Sheriff's records
Dates: ca.1880 - ca.1920
Collection number: MSS23
Collector: Michael Canlis
Collection Size: 3 linear feet
Repository: University of the Pacific. Library. Holt-Atherton Dept. of Special Collections
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Abstract: The collection consists of three County Jail Log Books, thirteen volumes of Mug Books containing approximately 7600 photographs, and a State of California Parole Violators ledger.
Physical location: For current information on the location of these materials, please consult the library's online catalog.
Languages: Languages represented in the collection: English
Access
Collection open for research.
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Biography / Administrative History
This collection consists of records kept by long-time San Joaquin County Sheriffs Thomas Cunningham(1871-1899) and Walter Sibley (1899-1915). Cunningham was an early advocate of many techniques of modern criminology, including fingerprinting. He kept thorough photographic records of all prisoners in his own jail and collected photographs of prisoners in other California jails as well.
Scope and Content of Collection
The collection consists of three County Jail Log Books, thirteen volumes of Mug Books (criminal photograph record books) containing approximately 7600 photographs, and a State of California Parole Violators ledger. The Jail Log Books provide: name of arresting officer, crime and punishment, as well as prisoner name and number. An index to names of individuals in the Mug Books is available.
Indexing Terms
The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library's online public access catalog.
Crime -- California -- San Joaquin County
Criminals -- California -- San Joaquin County
Law enforcement -- California -- San Joaquin County
San Joaquin County (Calif.) -- History --x Sources
Cunningham, Thomas, -- 1838-1900

Sibley, Walter

**Other Finding Aids**

An index to names of individuals in the Mug Books is available.

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**Box 1**

*Mug Books (criminal photograph record books)*

- Unnumbered vol. [204 pp.; 612 photos] c.1880-1889
- Vol. 2 [204 pp.; 612 photos] 1889-1900
- Vol. 3 [204 pp.; 612 photos] 1900-
- Vol. 12 [200 pp.; 600 photos] c.1905
- Vol. 13 [200 pp.; 600 photos] c.1905
- Vol. 17 [200 pp.; 600 photos] c.1905

**Box 2**

*Mug Books (criminal photograph record books)*

- Vol. 20 [[204 pp.; 612 photos] c.1910
- Vol. 21 [204 pp.; 612 photos] c.1910
- Vol. 26 [200 pp.; 600 photos] c.1910
- Vol. 27 [200 pp.; 588 photos] c.1910
- Vol. 29 [211 pp.; 633 photos] c.1915

**Box 3**

*Mug Books (criminal photograph record books)*

- Vol. 32 [325 pp.; 880 photos] c.1915
- Vol. 33 [325 pp.; 880 photos] c.1915

**Box 4**

*Records*

- San Joaquin County Jail Record 1887-1891
- San Joaquin County Jail Record 1892-1894

**Box 5**

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- San Joaquin County Jail Record 1895-1896
- California Parole Violators book c.1908 - c.1920