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Crittenden, Bradford Samuel (1876-1952)
Crittenden, Bradford MacChesney (1912-1982)
Crittenden family
MacChesney family

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Central Valley Project (Calif.)

subject
Water resources development -California
Irrigation -California
Biography
Graduate of the University of the Pacific and a practising attorney, Bradford Samuel Crittenden (1876-1952) was first elected Assemblyman (1920-1930), then State Senator (1930-1951) representing San Joaquin County. He was chairman of the Senate Agriculture Committee (1933-1950). Crittenden also chaired the Joint Legislative Committee on State Water Problems. He and his wife, Edith MacChesney Crittenden, owned several Central Valley farms. The Crittendens had two children: Bradford M. (1912-1982) and Edith Eudora. The former was State Highway Patrol Commissioner during the 1950s. His papers (Mss238) are also in Holt Atherton Special Collections.

Scope and Content
The bulk of the materials in the B.S. Crittenden Collection are publications relating to the creation and development of the Central Valley Project (1923-1949). The collection also contains personal papers, including correspondence, photographs and business papers relating to Crittenden's San Joaquin County agricultural properties (1944-1952).
1.2.7-Do. "Data, information, & itinerary covering inspection of Central Valley Project & units of State Water Plan in the San Joaquin Valley," 5-11/17-42.
1.2.8-Do. "Data, information, & itinerary covering inspection of Central Coast area," 10-13/16-42.
1.2.9-California. Legislature. Joint Committee on Water Problems. Report to Legislature (55th Session) on water problems...,1943. [bound in "Water Problems"]
1.2.11-California. Legislature. Joint Committee on Water Problems. Proceedings, SF, 10-26-44.
1.2.13-Do."Meeting, Sacramento," 2-17/19-47.
1.2.14-Do. Transcript of hearing on 160 acre limitation..., 2-19-47.
1.2.16-Do. Preliminary report to the Legislature (1948 Reg. Sess.),1948. [bound in "Water Problems"]
1.2.17-Do. Report to the Legislature (1949 Reg. Sess.), 6-49. [bound in "Water Problems"]
1.2.18-Do. (1951 Reg. Sess.), 1-51. [bound in "Water Problems"]
1.2.19-Do. (57th Session), 4-1-47. [bound in do.]
1.2.20-Do. Hearing of the... Bk. 1. Sacramento, 1-5-46.
1.2.21-Do., 1-6/7-48.
1.2.22-Do., Fresno, 9-13/14-48.
1.2.23-Do. (Orange Cove Contract), Sacramento, 10-25-48.
1.2.24-Do. (Pine Flat Dam), Sacramento, 10-26-48.
1.2.25-Do., Imperial County Courthouse, 11-2-48.
1.2.27-Do., SF, 12-13/14-48.
1.2.28-Do., Bk. 2, Ryde, 12-14-48.
1.2.30-Do. Bk. 4, Redding & Colusa, 12-16/17-48.
1.2.31-Do., Reno, 2-25-49.
1.2.32-Do., Sacramento, 4-22-49.
1.2.33-Do., Ventura, 9-28/29-49.
1.2.35-Do. Report to the Legislature (1949 Reg. Sess.) on water problems..., 6-49.

BOX 3--CALIFORNIA CODE COMMISSION & CALIFORNIA WATER PROJECT AUTHORITY PUBLICATIONS

1.3.2-Do. "Draft of division VI proposed Water Code," 1-10-41.
1.3.4-California. Water Project Authority. "Supplement to amended application to Federal Emergency Administration of Public Works, Washington D.C., for approval of Central Valley Project...," 2-16-34.
1.3.5-Do. "Report on Central Valley Project by Edward Hyatt, Executive Officer," 8-1-34.
1.3.6-Do., 3-4-35.
1.3.7-Do. Report on Kennett Power System of Central Valley Project, June 1935, 7-36.
1.3.8-Do. "Data & information on Central Valley Project compiled for Congressional delegation of California," 3-28-41.
1.3.9-Do. "Electrical power features of the State Water Plan in the Great Central Valley Basin of California," 8-41.
1.3.11-Do. Reports on Central Valley Project, Bull. No. 1: Publically operated utilities in northern California, 1941.

BOX 4--OTHER STATE & REGIONAL AGENCY PUBLICATIONS

1.4.3-Do. Bull. No. 6: Irrigation requirements of California lands, 1923.
1.4.4-Do. Bull. No. 12: Summary report on the water resources of California & a coordinated plan for their development, 1927.
1.4.9-Do., 11-2-26.
1.4.10-Do., 11-1-28.
1.4.11-California. Governor. Booklet of information on California & the State Water Plan,... 7-3/14-31. [bound as #6 in "State Water Plan"]
1.4.12-Do. Message of the Governor to the people of California dealing w/ their water problem,... 8-31. [bound as #7 in "State Water Plan"]
1.4.14-California. Legislature. Joint Committee dealing w/ the water problems of the State. Report of the ..., 1-18-29. [bound as #3 in "State Water Plan"]
1.4.15-Do., 3-23-31 [bound as #5 in do.]
1.4.17-California. Legislature. Joint Committee on Water Problems. Report of the..., 4-20-32. [bound as #8 in "State Water Plan"]
1.4.21-Do. "Reporter's transcript of proceedings," Modesto, 12-2-29; Fresno, 12-3-29.
1.4.23-Do. "Minutes," SF, 9-28/30-31. [bound w/ above]
1.4.25-Do., 1947.
1.4.28-Do. Report of...to Governor of California on State Water Plan, 6-32.
1.4.30-California State Irrigation Assn. Marshall Plan, 1920. [bound as #1 in "State Water Plan"]
1.4.32-“Folio containing seven questionnaires: Salt Water Barrier Investigation/Studies of irrigation costs in San Joaquin Valley/Investigation of rate of development of agricultural lands/Minutes of meeting Hoover-Young Commission (1-31; 3-31)/ Copy of resolution of Legislative Fish & Game Comm.,” c1930.


1.4.34-“Joint meeting between the California Water Resources Commission & Joint Legislative Water Resources Committee: Reporter’s transcript,” 2-5-32.

1.4.35-William P. Jost, Chairman, Assembly Fish & Game Investigating Committee to Joint Legislative Committee & Hoover-Young Commission, n.d. [c1930]

1.4.36-“Meeting of the Hoover-Young Commission of California Water Resources combined w/ the Joint Legislative Committee: Reporter’s transcript,” 5-7-30.

1.4.37-Do., 6-10-30.

1.4.38-Do., 9-11-30.

1.4.39-Metropolitan Water District of Southern California. Report for the Fiscal Year 7-1-42 to 6-30-43, 1943.


1.5.1-“Analyses of financial plans for Great Central Valley Project,” 1-14-32. [no source named]


1.5.3-California Economic Research Council. “Outline of factors governing the economic feasibility of the proposed State Water Conservation Program,” c1930.

1.5.4-California State Chamber of Commerce. Your water problem, 1931.

1.5.5-E.A. Eaton, Chief Engineer, Los Angeles Flood Control District. A comprehensive plan for flood control & water conservation, 9-10-30.

1.5.6-J.L. Rollins, Manager, Bear River Water & Power Co., to members of the Hoover-Young Commission et al., Colfax, 5-12-30.

1.5.7-Herbert Hoover. The future development of the Great Valley of California, 6-27-25.

1.5.8-Irrigation Districts Assn. of Calif. The proposed contract for the Central Valley Project, 1947.

1.5.9-Do. A new look at reclamation, 1948.


1.5.11-Mary Montgomery & Marion Clawson. “History of legislation & policy formation of the Central Valley Project,” 3-46.

1.5.12-State Water Problems Conference Report, 11-25-16.

1.5.20-Turlock Irrigation District. Annual report for the year 1930.
1.5.22-Do. Communication from U.S. Dept. of Interior, Bur. of Reclamation, to Senator Bradford S. Crittenden relating to Central Valley Project, 6-11-47.
1.5.23-U.S. House. 62d Congr., 1st Sess. Reports on the control of floods in the river systems of Sacramento Valley & the adjacent San Joaquin Valley, California, 1911.
1.5.25-Do. 72d Congr., 2d Sess. Comm. on Reclamation & Irrigation. Report on investigation & inspection trip to Great Central Valley Project of California, 1933.
1.5.26-Do. Utilization of the water resources of the Sacramento, San Joaquin, & Kern Rivers, California, 1933.
1.5.27-Do. 78th Congr., 2d Sess. Hearings on Senate Res. 295: A resolution to investigate problems arising in connection w/ construction & administration of the Central Valley Reclamation Project in California, 7-24/27-44.
1.5.29-Water Users' Constitutional Amendment Committee. The Water Amendment, 1928.

SERIES II: PERSONAL PAPERS

BOX 1: CORRESPONDENCE; MEMORABILIA

2.1.1--Misc. Papers
a-Notes for a speech [?], n.d. [pencil; paper very fragile, pages torn in half]
b-Calif. State Irrigation Assn. "Save the Back Country !," c1930. [election brochure]
c-Ford A. Chatters to BMC, 1-30-67. [re "Save the Back Country !"]
d-Pro-CVP election brochure, 1933.
e-BSC business card

2.1.2-Scrapbook of Bills introduced by BSC, 1945.
2.1.3-Framed citation to BSC from Disabled American Veterans, 4-14-50.
2.1.4--"Appreciation guest book presented to Senator Bradford S. Crittenden at testimonial dinner, Thursday, June 11, 1951, Stockton, California." [incl. photos, clippings, programs, invitations, guest list]
2.1.5--Bradford S. Crittenden Estate, 1952-55. [BSC owned ranches near Gustine in Merced County and near Tracy in San Joaquin County. He also owned land in the Vernalis Gas Field near the San Joaquin/Stanislaus County line.]
   a-Preliminary memorandum, Estate of BSC, n.d. [2 pgs.]
   b-Title Abstract of BSC Properties, 9-21-53. [3 pgs.]
   c-Description of Vernalis property, n.d. [2 pgs.] [for map see Bradford M. Crittenden Collection MS-238]
   d-Perrier & Gullo to BSC, 7-5-51. [incl. env.]
   e-Lease agreement betw. Melba Simas & BMC for Vernalis property, 3-15-52. [7 pgs.; 2 copies]
   g-San Joaquin County Appraiser inventory of BSC Estate, 8-28-52. [5 pgs.]
   h-Inheritance Tax Affidavit, 8-28-52. [2 pgs.; 2 copies]
   i-Notice of Probate of Will [BSC], 9-5-52. [incl. env.; 2 copies]
   j-Plat of Gustine property, Sect. 8, T9SR9E, 444.5 ac.
   k-B of A National Trust & Savings Assn. to Comm. Internal Revenue, n.d. [request for discharge of liability for Estate Tax]
   l-"Estate Tax/Preliminary Notice" [IRS form; clipped to above]
   m-"Estate of B.S. Crittenden/Compilation on taxes [1950-51]"
   n-U.S. Estate Tax Return, Bradford S. Crittenden, 1952. [incl. list of property]
   o-Recpt. for registered article, 8-19-52. [clipped to above]
p-Notice of hearing on petition of Edith Eudora Crittenden to be appointed administratrix of Bradford S. Crittenden Estate, 9-29-52.
r-State of California Fiduciary Return of Income Form, 1953.
s-U.S. Fiduciary Income Tax Return Form, 1953.
2.1.6--Sentimental Poetry for Use in Speeches [?] [23 sheets; clippings, typescript]
2.1.7--Clippings
   a-“Water leaders of Valley endorse CVP Power Plan,” Fresno Bee (5-14-42). [5 pgs.; photocopy]
   b-“Republican legislators represent best interests of all Central California,” Central California Republican (3-41).
2.1.8--Photos [Six 8 x 10” prints, 1 negative, 4 copies of names of persons in photos, unident. banquet, n.d. c1950s]
2.1.9--Gustine Property, N 1/2 Sect. 8, T9SR9E [444.25 ac.]
   a-Lease, August Santos, N 222.12 ac., 5 yrs., 10-14-47. [6 pgs.]
   b-Lease Joe & Joaquin Esteves, S 222.12 ac., 5 yrs., 4-15-47. [9 pgs.]
   c-BSC to Joaquin Esteves, 10-17-47.
2.1.10--Tracy Properties, Sect. 33, T3SR6E & NE 1/4 Sect.28, T3SR6E
   a-Lease, Melba Simas, 3-15-52. [6 pgs.]
   b-Corr esp. w/ tenants, 1942-50. [19 items; John Simas, Manuel Brazil, Merrill West, John P. Rocha]
   c-Other Papers, 1941-44 [14 items; rcpts., corresp., etc.]
2.1.11-Bradford M. Crittenden/B.S. Crittenden Estate Business Folder, 1952-55
   a-H.P. Bonnikson, Bureau Livestock Disease Control, to BMC, n.d. to BMC, 8-20-52.
   b-Return recpt. to BMC, 10-9-52. [incl. depositor card, env.]
   d-“An inspection trip to Merced property [Gustine],” 10-29-52.
   e-2 pgs. notes, lined paper [attached to above]
   f-T.W. Thomas, Insurance, to BMC, 11-3-52.
   g-Recpt. for insurance, T.W. Thomas, 11-3-52.
   h-“Report for the Estates of Edith M. Crittenden, deceased, and Bradford S. Crittenden, deceased, on condition of ranches,” 11-6-52.
   i-BMC to Ed Perez, B of A, 11-17-52.
   k-BMC to Ed Perez, B of A, 11-26-52.
   m-Rept for audit by T.W. Thomas, Notary, 12-3-52.
   o-Melba Simas to BMC, n.d. [2 pgs., attached to above]
   p-Env. from Div. of Registration [vehicular], 12-26-52.
   q-BMC to Dawson's Van & Storage, 12-29-52.
   r-Dawson's Van & Storage warehouse rcpts. etc., 12-29-52.
   s-BMC to Ed Perez, B of A, 12-29-52.
   t-BMC to Ed Perez, B of A, 12-30-52.
   u-Note [from August Santos ?], n.d. [attached to above]
   v-BMC to Ed Perez, B of A, 1-12-53.
   w-BMC to Ed Perez, B of A, 1-25-53.
   y-BMC to Ed Perez, B of A, 1-21-53.
   z-BMC to Ed Perez, 1-29-53.
   aa-BMC to Ed Perez, B of A, 2-4-53.
   cc-BMC to Ed Perez, B of A, 3-3-53.
dd-BMC to Ed Perez, B of A, 3-12-53.
ee-“Instructions & suggested valuation schedule/1953 Personal Property Statement” [attached to above]
ff-Pauline Cordes to BMC, Lodi, 3-20-53. [2 pgs., ink, incl. env. & return env.]
gg-BMC to Ed Perez, B of A, 3-31-53.
hh-Note from August Santos, n.d. [attached to above]
ii-BMC to Dawson's Van & Storage, 3-31-53.
jj-BMC to Ed Perez, 4-20-53.
kk-Authorization to sell Vernalis property, 748 acres, 4-20-53.
ll-BMC to Ed Perez, B of A, 4-21-53.
mm-BMC to Joe [Ed] Perez, B of A, 4-28-53.
oo-“H.E. Tinker/Real Estate & Insurance/Tracy” [business card]
p-BMC to Joe [Ed] Perez, 5-4-53.
qq-Bid of $150,000 on BSC Estate property near Vernalis, 5-53. [2 pgs.]
s-BMC to Ed Perez, B of A, 6-3-53.
tt-Wilber C. Leffler, County Assessor to BMC, 6-24-53.
uu-BMC to Ed Perez, B of A, 7-1-53.
v-BMC to Ed Perez, B of A, 7-3-53.
ww-BMC to Ed Perez, B of A, 7-14-53.
xx-BMC to Ed Perez, B of A, 7-23-53.
yy-BMC to Ed Perez, B of A, 7-30-53.
zz-BMC to Ed Perez, 8-25-53.
aaa-Recpt for surveying instrument formerly property of BSC, 8-28-53.
b-BMC to Melba Simas, 8-28-53.
ccc-BMC to Melba Simas, 8-28-53. [re sale of BSC Estate property she leases to Mr. West of Tracy]
ddd-SJ Co. Constable's recpt. for delivery of above
eee-BMC to Dawson's Van & Storage, 9-14-53.
fff-BMC to Ed Perez, B of A, 9-24-53.
ggg-Arthur J. Snell to BMC, 10-7-53.
iii-BMC to Ed Perez, B of A, 10-23-53.
jjj-Central Calif. Irrig. Dist. to All Landowners, 11-10-53.
kkk-BMC to Ed Perez, B of A, 11-23-53.
lll-BMC to Joe Perez, 1-15-54.
mm-C.W. Nielsen to BMC, 1-18-54.
nnn-BMC to August Santos, 1-21-54.
ooo-BMC to August Santos, 1-24-54.
ppp-Recpt. from Gustine Feed Co., 2-8-54.
qqq-BMC to Ed Perez, B of A, 2-11-54.
sss-BMC to Ed Perez, B of A, 3-1-54.
ttt-County Recorder's Office receipt, 3-3-54. [re Edith M. Crittenden Estate]
uuu-BMC to Dawson's Van & Storage, 3-16-54.
vvv-BMC to Ed Perez, B of A, 3-25-54.
www-J. Muehlberg to Eudora E. Crittenden, 6-25-54.
xxx-“July 6, 1954/Amounts received...,” [statement for various lessees & properties]
yyy-August Santos to BMC, 7-22-54.
zzz-E.J. Perez to BMC, 7-27-54.
aaaa-BMC to E.J. Perez, B of A, 7-29-54.
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dddd-BMC to Dawson’s Van & Storage, 10-27-54.
eeee-Rue & Snell, CPAs, to BSC, 12-27-54.
ffff-BMC to Fred M. Bollinger, American Trust, 4-20-55.
gggg-BMC to August Santos, 6-23-55.
hhhh-BMC to Federal Land Bank of Berkeley, 6-23-55.
iili-BMC to Stockton City Assessor, 8-15-55.
jjjj-3 pages figures on 3.5 x 6" scraps