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Descriptive Summary
Title: Wes Hammond photo collection
Dates: 1964-1977
Collection number: MSS 285
Creator: Hammond, Wes
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Abstract: Most of the over 600 photographs were taken by Wes Hammond and used in the publication The Carrier, the company magazine of the FMC corporation. The rest were taken by Verna Mae Leggate who was the editor of the magazine from 1964 to 1977.

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
Wes Hammond has been a professional free-lance photographer since 1948. A native Californian, born and raised in Los Angeles, he majored in fine arts and photography at San Jose State University. He careered on photo-journalism and sports photography in the Los Angeles area doing work on a freelance basis for such publications as the Los Angeles Times, Sports Illustrated and World Sports Magazine. In 1956 he returned to northern California to live in San Jose, and concentrated on industrial photography, working for FMC Corporation until retirement in 1985. After retirement he remained active, putting most of his work into fine art photography with occasional contract work in the industrial field. He has been exhibited nationally as well as published in many magazines and other publications. Pioneering in the use of the 35mm camera in black and white photography since 1948, he has since seen its wide acceptance as a professional and fine arts tool in photography.

Scope and Content of Collection
Most of the over 600 photographs were taken by Wes Hammond and used in the publication The Carrier, the company magazine of the FMC corporation. The rest were taken by Verna Mae Leggate who was the editor of the magazine from 1964 to 1977. These black and white photographs are mostly of California subjects, emphasizing illustrative views. The images are very artistic -showing a great sensitivity for light and composition. Coastal scenes, missions, churches, the
Indexing Terms

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

Photography - California - 20th century

BOX 1: WES HAMMOND PHOTOGRAPH COLLECTION

Aerial Views [probably San Jose]
Alum Rock Park, San Jose
Amador City, California
Architecture
Beaches
Big Sur, California
Birds.
Boat launching
Bodie, California
Cemeteries
Chico - vicinity
China Camp, California
Chinese Temple
Churches-Bridgeport, Bodega, Davenport, and unidentified
Churches - San Francisco
Coastal - scenic
Coastal - waves
Columbia, California
Copper Mining - Kennecott copper, Liberty Pit
Disneyland
Fences
Fish weighing - Bass derby
Flooring - installation
FMC Facilities
FMC - military vehicle - cargo carrier
FMC - plant workers, engineers
FMC - recreational vehicle (coach)
Fort Bridger and vicinity
Fort Ross, California
Fort Tejon
Harbors
Hornitos, California
Jackson, California
Lake Tahoe
Lawn mower safety
Locations and Structures [unidentified]
Los Angeles
Mariposa County, Calif.
Military - Vehicles
Misc.- Kittens, Duck hunters, Lantern on post, Spider webs
Missions - Nuestra de la Soledad
Missions - San Antonio de Padua
Missions - San Buenaventura
Missions - San Gabriel
Missions - San Jose de Guadalupe
Missions - San Juan Bautista
Missions - Santa Barbara
Missions - Santa Clara
Monterey - harbor
Mother Lode vicinity
Mount Hamilton - Lick Observatory
Muir Woods
Oak Tree
Oroville Dam Project
People
Point Reyes National Seashore
Rawhide, Nevada
Rodeo, California
Roses
Rural scenes
Sacramento River and vicinity
San Francisco - scenics
San Francisco - harbor
San Gregorio, California
San Jose - buildings
San Jose - historical
Santa Clara County - Flower and Garden Show
Santa Clara, Calif. - Triton Museum of Art
Santa Cruz, Calif.
Sausalito, Calif.
Scenic Views [unidentified]
Seventeen Mile Drive, Carmel, Calif.
Ships - boats
Sky - clouds
Surfers - recreation
Sutter's Fort
Sutter's Mill
Tomato fields and harvester
Trees
UCSC (University of California at Santa Cruz)
Vehicles, automobiles.
Wineries - vineyards
Winter - snow
Wyoming