Finding aid for the Maynard McFie collection of photographs and ephemera 7024

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Title: Maynard McFie collection of photographs and ephemera
creator: McFie, Maynard
Identifier/Call Number: 7024
Physical Description: 1.29 Linear Feet1 box
Date (inclusive): circa 1890-1920
Abstract: This collection consists of photographs, pamphlets and clippings documenting Los Angeles in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. The majority of the photographs are of the downtown area and feature intersections of major Los Angeles streets. Current and former landmarks also appear in the collection's photographs. There are also photographs of San Pedro Harbor, an old city hall building, and the remnants of the LA Times building after the bombing of 1910. The pamphlets and clippings provide information about the history of Los Angeles area lands, such as the ranchos that used to make up Southern California.

Scope and Contents
This collection consists of photographs, pamphlets and clippings documenting Los Angeles in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. The majority of the photographs are of the downtown area and feature intersections of major Los Angeles streets, such as Pico and Western. There are also photographs of members of the McFie family, including Maynard McFie. Current and former landmarks also appear in the collection's photographs. There are also photographs of San Pedro Harbor, an old city hall building, and the remnants of the LA Times building after the bombing of 1910. Many of the photographs have handwritten captions on the verso. The pamphlets and clippings provide information about the history of Los Angeles area lands, such as the ranchos that used to make up Southern California. One such pamphlet is titled "Old Spanish and Mexican Ranchos of Los Angeles County." There are also handwritten notes on the various ranchos.

Historical note
Maynard McFie was a Los Angeles businessman who was the youngest president of the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce, a position to which he was elected in 1920. He also served as Vice-president of the Organizing Committee of the 1932 Los Angeles Olympics, and authored "The Gay Nineties," published by the Sunset Club (1945), which contained reminiscences of Los Angeles in the 1890s centering around the oil industry. He also wrote a history of the California Club.

Immediate Source of Acquisition
Gift of Joan McFie Bailey, February 8, 2008.

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